

# Welcome to Faith

October 24, 2021

## Prayer Requests

### RECENT & UPCOMING SURGERIES

Brian Huffer  
Kimberly Musgrave

### OTHER NEEDS

Brock Russell's parents

## Women's Seminar

Ladies, do you struggle finding deep, meaningful relationships with other women? Do you find yourself longing for closeness in friendships which your relationships never seem to deliver? Have you experienced relationships that have gone sour, and you can't figure out what happened? Come hear Amy Baker speak on the Heart of Friendships. All ladies are welcome to attend! Bring your Bible! Sign up online at [faithlafayette.org/women](http://faithlafayette.org/women), at a table in the foyer, or Lorri Wiegand at [lwiegand@comcast.net](mailto:lwiegand@comcast.net). Join us Saturday, November 13, 2021 from 8am-12pm.

## Stewardship Tickets

Mark your calendars for the Stewardship Celebration, November 21, 5pm at the Faith East Community Center. Free tickets are available in the foyer starting next week or online at [faithlafayette.org/stewardship](http://faithlafayette.org/stewardship).

## Deacon Vote

Our annual election of deacons will be held Sunday, November 7, in the Faith East church gym starting at 8:00am and the Faith West and Faith North welcome areas starting at 9:30am. Absentee ballots are available upon request by calling the church office. We will be affirming 14 men (scan the QR code to see the list of men). The vote is to either affirm the entire slate or to not affirm.



## Children's Ministry

2<sup>YR</sup> - 5<sup>TH</sup> grade

Children's Sunday School Follow-Up  
Our children's Sunday school classes are designed to ground kids in the foundational truths of God's Word. We encourage parents to review the content of each week's lesson with their children. You can use this QR code to find helpful suggestions for continuing the discipleship process at home:



## Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat at the Faith East Community Center will be Saturday, October 30, 4-6pm. We need volunteers for table hosts and carnival games. To sign up please visit [faithlafayette.org/serve](http://faithlafayette.org/serve). This is a great opportunity to meet our east side neighbors and bring the family.

## Caleb's Kin

Calling all senior adults to join our monthly fellowship at 10am on Tuesday, November 2 in the Senior Living Community Clubhouse for food, fellowship, a tech seminar, and a challenge from Pastor Dustin Folden. The cost is \$5 for the catered meal, but first time guests eat for free (as do any seniors for whom the cost is a hardship). The tech seminar will be hosted by Steve Wanner & Jeremy Vegter. If you have questions about your computer, phone, Facebook, or some other tech product, you can send those to [jvegter@faithlafayette.org](mailto:jvegter@faithlafayette.org), or just ask them when you come.

## Living Nativity

We're excited about another year of the Lafayette Living Nativity! We have plenty of places where you and your family can serve – even a new area – the Hospitality Team who will be passing out cookies and hot chocolate to people waiting in the walk-thru line and car lines. See available serving areas and sign up online at [faithlafayette.org/Insignup](http://faithlafayette.org/Insignup).



## Your Pastors

**Steve Viars - Senior Pastor**  
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### Faith Church East 8:00AM

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### Faith Church East 9:30AM

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**Brent Aucoin - Soul Care**  
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### Faith Church East 11:00AM

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**Greg Wetterlin - Restoration**  
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### Faith Church West 9:30AM

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### Faith Church West 11:00AM

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### Faith Church North

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**Enjoying Life in His Name  
Through Purifying Yourself Now  
1 John 3:1-11**

**John 3:31** - He who comes from above is above all, he who is of the earth is from the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all.

**John 8:23-24** - And He was saying to them, "You are from below, I am from above; you are of this world, I am not of this world. Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."

**John 1:12** - But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name...

**John 1:10** - He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

**John 16:3** - These things they will do because they have not known the Father or Me.

**1 John 1:8** - If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves.

**John 10:27** - My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me...

**John 3:3-7** - Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'"

**John 13:34-35** - A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

3 reasons why the gospel we have studied in the Gospel of John transforms the true believer now and eternally

**I. Because God Has a \_\_\_\_\_ for His People**

**1 John 3:5** - You know that He appeared in order to take away sins...The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

A. To \_\_\_\_\_ away sins (1 John 3:5)

B. To \_\_\_\_\_ the works of the devil (1 John 3:8) - John 8:44, Ephesians 2:1-2

**1 John 2:16** - For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

**Ephesians 2:1-3** - And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh.

**James 3:14** - But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every evil thing.

The works of the devil and our sin = the disposition of my self-exaltation with the resulting pursuit of my own glory over God and others.

"For the one principle of hell is—I am my own. I am my own king and my own subject...My own glory is, and ought to be, my chief care...My pleasure is my pleasure. My kingdom is—as many as I can bring to acknowledge my greatness over them. My judgment is the faultless rule of things. My right is—what I desire. The more I am all in all to myself, the greater I am ...I will be free with the freedom that consists in doing whatever I am inclined to do, from whatever quarter may come the inclination. To do my own will so long as I feel anything to be my will, is to be free, is to live.'" (George MacDonald, Unspoken Sermons; <http://www.online-literature.com/george-macdonald/unspoken-sermons/30/>)

**II. Because God has \_\_\_\_\_ the Status and Nature of His people**

A. \_\_\_\_\_ of God (v. 1, 2, 10)

**John 3:1, 2, 10** - See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God, by this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ of God (v.9)

C. God's \_\_\_\_\_ in His children (v. 9)

**1 John 3:9** - No one who is born of God practices sin, because His seed abides in him; and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

**III. Because God \_\_\_\_\_ His People to See His Son's Love**

A. Beholding Christ by \_\_\_\_\_ in His first coming - His Love from Heaven for His people

B. Beholding Christ by \_\_\_\_\_ in the second coming

**1 John 3:2** - Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

Christ, bringing His people into His unveiled majestic presence where they could have never gone before will bring the believer to a full understanding of the magnitude of His love and thus to full maturity.