

News & Events

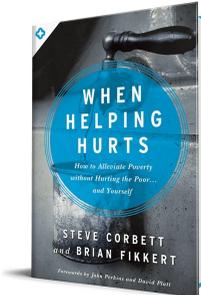
Ones to Renovation loan balance \$12,124.

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We started our **WNO back up on January 20 at 5:30 pm** with the **brown bag supper** with Larry's Bible Study following-*When Helping Hurts* –How to

Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor... and Yourself!



The Wednesday morning Bible study will resume on February 3 at 10:00am. We'll be tackling "**Yelling at God: An Exploration of the Book of Job**" Come and join us!

New Prayer Requests

Previous Weeks

Chris Gibbs-CRH Rm 245
Lyn McLeod-home but still very weak
Merilyn Guerry-back issues and in pain
Paul Williams-COVID
Linda Bennett-COVID
Bill Gettys-COVID
Emily Smith-Parkinsons/falling
Sympathy to the family of Bob Hunt
Sympathy to Gina & Michael Barnes, death of Gina's dad, Jimmy Wilkerson
Andy Bowen-weakness from treatments
Mitch Mitchell –COVID
Bea Swinney-COVID
Mike O'Quinn (Jeri Culpepper's bro) home
Bob Phillips-home
Marcy Burke-home but weak
Lydia Adkins
Justin Lamb-stage 4 liver cancer
Lauren Summers Gramm-home, has moved to Albany

Pray for Our Shut Ins

At Home

Ann Cook Joe Cook Maria Green Dot Walls Melody Whitaker

Cr. Regional Nursing & Rehab

Mary Jo Adams

Cordelia Manor

Linda Bennett 116; Bill Gettys 117; Jeri Odom; Helen Slade; Bea Swinney 122; Marilyn Williamson 134

Magnolia Manor | Barbera deWaard, Hester Price

Carlisle Place | Tish Haley

Military members serving overseas

Stuart Peebles

Daily Devotions & Scriptures

Monday, January 25 Read Acts 1:8

Most of the disciples were Galileans but they were very familiar with Judea, the region around Jerusalem. Places we think we know can often be truly strange to us because we do not really look, seek to understand or get beyond our immediate circle of familiarity. Where are our nearby "Judeas" with which we are familiar but do not really see? What people fall in that category? Where might be God calling you personally to see a larger world of mission? Discuss this with God in prayer today and listen carefully for his answer.

Tuesday January 26 Read Jeremiah 7:5-7

The Hebrew Law repeatedly reminds God's people to be hospitable, to have sympathy for the stranger and care for the outcast as befits a people called to be a blessing to the world. How would you read this passage with new eyes in light of Jesus's call to share Christ with strangers and folks with which we are unfamiliar? Why is this important for Christian disciples?

Wednesday, January 27 Read Acts 2:4-14

Jerusalem at festival times was packed with believers from every corner of the Empire. Note that all those Parthians, Medes, Phrygians, etc. shared the disciples' Judaism and yet they would have been odd and different to them. Think of the differences (often based on misconceptions) between denominations or even local churches in our own time. How might the Spirit equip us to share better the unifying message of Christ?

Note how the Spirit had already primed the crowd to be receptive to the message. What might that mean for our own hesitations?

Thursday, January 28 Read Matthew 8:5-13

The occupying forces of Rome (and their families and households) were a daily feature of Palestine life but were also seen by the Jewish natives as despised outsiders and permanent strangers. How does Jesus bridge that gap? What does this story tell us about what God is looking for in both insiders and outsiders? How do we sometimes fail to recognize the stranger in our own midst?

Friday, January 29 Read Hebrews 13:1-9

Being witnesses to Christ is more about perspectives, priorities and attitudes than specific projects or programs. Not that we must be perfect but if we look no different from the rest of the world, exactly what power do we bear witness to? Where has God been working changes in your life and how can you share that story with others?

Saturday, January 30 Read James 1:17-27

As we wrestle with our call to be witnesses to Jesus beyond the areas with which we are comfortable and familiar, what characteristics does James suggest we cultivate in order to better accomplish our task? Why are these important if we are to connect with others? Put yourself in the position of the one to whom you are witnessing. How would you want to be approached?



"Reach Out and Touch Someone"

Rev. Larry Rollins

January 24, 2021

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Office Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Appointments can be made by contacting the

church office at 229-273-4586

Morning Worship

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 24, 2021

11:00 AM

*Congregation Standing

GREETING AND INVOCATION Rev. Larry Rollins

PRELUDE *Pass It On* arr. Kaiser
Barbara Stripling, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP *I Will Rejoice!* arr. Harlan
Chancel Choir

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 62 Congregation
All Creatures of Our God and King v. 1,2,4,5,7

*A MODERN AFFIRMATION NO. 885 Congregation

We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unending grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death. We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70 Congregation

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER *Lord, Here Am I* BECK
Chancel Choir

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANTHEM *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* arr. Hamilton
Chancel Choir

MESSAGE Rev. Larry Rollins
"Reach Out and Touch Someone"

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:4-14

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 571 Congregation
Go, Make of All Disciples v. 1,4

*BENEDICTION Rev. Rollins

*POSTLUDE Gunner Chancey

Sermon Notes

1. *Being witnesses in _____ is to reach just beyond the _____ and _____ of our daily _____.*
2. *It requires minds open to _____ and _____ ways of _____ the Good News.*
3. *How the message is _____ and _____ upon is beyond our _____.*

We are so glad you are here!

Acolytes: Anna and Sarah Grace Rischar

-Restrooms are located in the narthex hallway.

-Hearing assistance devices are available.

If you have questions or need assistance, please ask an usher or staff member.

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