

PASTOR'S NOTE

New York Times columnist David Leonhardt has set out the case for returning to "normalcy" as the world continues to manage the coronavirus pandemic. But even in the best case, the new "normal" will not be the old "normal." The virus will still be with us, scientists believe, and will be part of our lives for the foreseeable future. In some ways, this is a parable of our times: seeking normalcy in days that are anything but.

Consumer sentiment has hit a ten-year low while workers quit their jobs in record numbers. Teacher burnout is raising broad concerns about the state of education. Unruly passengers are becoming an escalating problem for airlines: a Southwest employee had to be hospitalized after being attacked by a female passenger at Dallas' Love Field Airport Saturday. Hundreds of McDonald's workers have been assaulted by anti-mask customers. And the number of protest movements around the world has tripled in less than fifteen years.

A Harvard psychologist explains that after a year and a half of fear and anxiety, people have reached a "boiling point." At the same time, here's some good news: the YouVersion Bible app has amassed over five hundred million installs on devices around the world.

The apparent contradiction between these two stories points to a reality that we do well to grasp in the "new normal" of our chaotic, secularized, post-Christian culture. The rising frustration and anger we are witnessing is an inevitable and predictable result of living without God. A society that decides religion is outdated if not dangerous will reap the results of rejecting the One who is the only source of true peace (John 14:27).

Let me close with a couple of quick thank yous. First, thanks to the Strook family for providing the pulled pork for last Sunday's luncheon. Second, thanks to Fawn Schlagel for overseeing the Christmas shoebox project. "Keep Your Hand To The Plow."

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Declyn Moldenaldo needs prayer for day to day strengthening.
- Remember Jeff Erz in prayer as he awaits complete healing of his lower leg that still remains an open wound following the removal of a cancerous tumor.
- Pray for Jessica Schultz as she goes through her cancer treatment.
- Remember to pray for Families and Marriages here at Crossroads Fellowship.
- Pray for our Nation as we face these trying times.
- Keep Mel Spragues family in prayer as they grieve his passing on October 10th.
- Pray for the health and unity of our Church, Crossroads Fellowship.

The Pastor and Office Staff are here to assist you in any way they can in your desire to follow Christ. Please contact the Church office at (920) 324-2093 if you would like to reach them or schedule an appointment.

Have a GREAT Week in the Lord!! Love—Pastor Jeff



Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

-Hebrews 12:1-2

Sundays Schedule
Sunday Service → 10 am

Rev. Jeff Casper- Pastor
Michelle Casper-Administrative Assistant
Kathy Smith-Christian Ed/Janitorial

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Welcome to CrossRoads Fellowship

November 21, 2021

This Week-

9:00 a.m. Worship Team Practice
10:00 a.m. Morning Service – Pastor Jeff-
 “Paradoxes In the Christian Life” Series
 #4 “Loss Is Gain”
 -Littles Class (3-K) in Upper Ed
 -Bigs Class (1st-5th) in lower level

**The nursery will not be staffed at this time but open to children, birth to three, who are accompanied by an adult/responsible family member. We encourage families to bring your own toys as the nursery toys will not be out for use currently.

****Monday****

No Ladies Home Group Tonight

Upcoming Events-

- ❖ Next Sunday is Project Fund Sunday. We will be having our Last Sunday Night Prayer Meeting from 6:00-7:00 p.m.
- ❖ The Ladies Home Group is enjoying the series “What the Women Saw” on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at Fawn Schlager’s home, 727 Mapleview Dr. Waupun. All Ladies are welcome! Through this six-session study, you will discover who Jesus is through the unique perspective of women in the Bible. As we study the lives of Mary, Martha, Mary Magdalene and others, you will learn from their faith and failures and be reminded that Jesus cared for and valued the women he was surrounded by. The Mondays we will be meeting will be Nov. 8, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, Dec. 6 & Dec. 13. If you have any questions, call Michelle at (920)318-1494.

- ❖ Help Wanted- we need a few positions to be filled for our Sunday Morning services.
 - A teacher for the Littles Class (ages 3-K)
 - A backup singerBoth positions would be on a rotation basis.
- ❖ Here is a look at our December Events:
 - Church Christmas Dinner- Dec. 18, 6:00 p.m.
 - Children’s Christmas Program- Dec. 19, 10:00 a.m.
 - Ladies Christmas Party- Dec. 20, 6:00 p.m.
 - Candlelight Service- Dec. 24, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Please sign up at the Visitor’s Center if you would like to be included in our new Church Directory coming out next Sunday . We will again have the card box out December 5th if you would like to participate in our church Christmas card exchange.
- ❖ There is a sign up on the table at the Visitor’s Center if you would like to volunteer to bring the main dish for the Church Luncheons in 2022. We are so grateful for those who supplied meals for 2021! Thank you!
- ❖ If you or someone you know needs a Bible, we have the Dorie Strook Memorial Bible Fund. Please fill out a card from the back table and give it to a Deacon, Pastor Jeff, or Michelle.

If you are visiting for the first time with us this morning, we would like to extend a warm welcome to you. Please fill out a visitor’s card located in the pew rack and turn it in to the Visitor’s Center in the lobby after church. Thank You!

If you are unable to attend services for any reason we want to remind you of ways to keep connected to CrossRoads. We do have the service streaming on Facebook, that you are able to view at any time. We also have a video of the sermon available on the church website at www.crossroadswaupun.org The website is a great way to keep updated as to events, schedules, bulletins as well as the sermons. There is also a tab to continue your tithe as well as you are welcome to send it in the mail to 846 E. Main St., Waupun, WI 53963.