



October 28, 2018

Sunday:

Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 6 pm
Bible Classes: 9:30 am

Wednesday:

Bible Classes: 7 pm

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Heart Calluses

Ever heard the phrase, “If you live in a graveyard too long, you will stop crying when someone dies.” The idea behind this saying is less about someone literally living in a graveyard and more about how we can become desensitized. Death becomes common. This is why so many marriages end in divorce. The newness has worn off and the couple doesn’t have the mushy feelings they first did. This is why old toys sit in children’s closets for months without attention. The newness is gone. If we aren’t careful, we can become desensitized towards sin.

This is exactly what happened to the people in Jeremiah’s time. Listen to God’s frightening description of these people, “Were they ashamed because of the abomination they have done? They were not even ashamed at all; they did not even know how to blush. Therefore, they shall fall among those who fall; at the time that I punish them, they shall be cast down,” says the Lord” (6:15; 8:12).

We can bring ourselves to a point where we are no longer embarrassed by sinful and detestable things. We can become so desensitized that we are no longer bothered by wickedness. We can develop heart calluses. The more we rub up against the world, the more heart calluses we will develop (Romans 12:1-2). The more time we spend in the weeds, the less we will notice the thorns (Proverbs 22:5).

The good thing about calluses is they fade with time, but only if the activity that was causing them is stopped. Let’s distance ourselves from spiritual callous causers and keep our minds, hearts, and bodies focused on what is right before God (Philippians 4:8).

Your Brother,
Timothy Wood

Order of Worship

Welcome to Worship

8:00 AM:

Song Leader: Mike Wilson

38 Awesome God

Call to Worship: Jody Venkatesan

**877 Won't It Be Wonderful There
909 There's a Fountain Free**

Assistant 1: Shaun Holt

Giving: Paul Wharton

Bread: Jeff Watson

Fruit of the Vine: Jonathan Anglin

Assistant 2: John Landrum

Assistant 3: Reggie White

528 I Know that My Redeemer Lives

*Scripture Reading: Genesis 12:1-8
Ben Anglin*

— Said I Wasn't

Sermon: Ricky Cook

784 Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? (PFL)

Prayer Requests/Announcements

315 I'll Live in Glory (PFL)

Closing Prayer: Brent Smith

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and Praise for the Lord and the Supplement.

10:30 AM:

Song Leader: Allen Pratt

**238 You are the Song that I Sing
474 Thank You, Lord**

Call to Worship: Wayne Dellinger

15 Step by Step

611 Heavenly Sunlight

337 Hallelujah! What a Savior

Assistant 1: Demetrius Morris

Assistant 2: Charles Pratt

Giving: Kerry Clark

Bread: Alan Bobo

Fruit of the Vine: Mark Williamson

Assistant 3: Cory Dockendorf

Assistant 4: Darius Alexis

Assistant 5: Ian Huckabey

*Scripture Reading: Genesis 12:1-8
Caleb Dockendorf*

539 Higher Ground

Sermon: Ricky Cook

692 Change My Heart, O God

Prayer Requests/Announcements

968 Oh, They Tell Me of a Home

Closing Prayer: Bruce Robins

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise.

Guest Guide:

- Nursery and Training room are upstairs.
- Children's classes are downstairs.
- Looking for a church home? We'd love to tell you about this congregation.
- Please fill out a guest card and drop it in the collection basket.
- Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in all classes and services

Leaders	Location	Time
Demetrius Morris	Church Building	1:30 PM
Ricky Cook	Church Building	12:30 PM
Farin Crone	Crone 8050 Harriet Tubman Ln. Columbia, 21044	6 PM
DuBois Murphy & Tim Wood (Teens)	Church Building	2 PM
Curtis Madeley	Madeley 1036 Meandering Way Odenton, 21113	1 PM
Carl Wamble	Jones 3501 Lottsford Vista Rd. Bowie, 20721	3 PM
Calvin Hunt	Dockendorf 8736 Cardinal Forest Cr. Laurel, 20723	4 PM
Bren White	Not Meeting Today	
Brent Smith	Paugh 7921 Rustling Bark Ct. Ellicott City, 21043	6 PM
Mike Wilson	Wilson 6906 Mayfair Terrace Laurel, 20707	TBA

Others Serving this morning:

Ushers: (1) Jack Birus,
(2) Ben Anglin

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(2) Khari Gardener

Wednesday, October 31st

Devotional	Kwesi Asiedu
Singing	Calvin Hunt
Closing Prayer:	Wayne Dellinger



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