

February 2018

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From the Pastor, David Warren

Church family,

We've started our 4 week journey through the book of Job and a series of sermons entitled "WHY?". The story of Job challenges our ideas of evil, suffering, and God's will for our lives. Most of you have been through intense times of suffering in the form of loss, sickness, disappointment, loneliness, rejection, and other challenges. Some of you have been through intense times of suffering with layers upon layers of difficulty on top of you. There are so many things we will never understand about God but there are some things we can know for sure. And we can know them whether we find ourselves in times of comfort or times of suffering. God is real. God is sovereign. God is good. As hard as those Truths might be to confess in the midst of suffering, they remain true whether we are on the mountain or in the valley. And knowing that God gives us comfort. We don't get it but He does. We don't see any way good could come from it, but He does. Over the next three weeks we will deal with these questions from Job: What did I do? What do I say? What is God doing?

The Lord's Supper: Our plan is to take the Lord's Supper together as a body the first Sunday of every month in 2018. I pray these times will be meaningful in the life of our church, giving us opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the sacrifice of Christ that brings us together.

The first round of classes for our accredited Advance International Pastor Training School will be the first week of May. As of now we have a team of 6 traveling to Namibia April 30-May 11 to provide this training opportunity for pastors and to work with the church in Outapi. If you are interested in participating in this mission endeavor in any way, please contact me.

In Christ,
David

From the Youth Minister - Dillon Fox

Church Family,

Emotions are a funny thing. They are fickle and can change on a dime. Emotions can either enhance an experience or down right ruin one. Emotions can tell us truth about how we feel about someone or something that happens to us but also can lead us astray. The prevailing thought in our day is that truth is determined by what I feel is right and that what is true for me may not be true for you. The problem with making our emotions the primary source of what is true and real is that our emotions change constantly. One minute I can feel great and happy and one thing can happen and it changes how I feel. The question becomes, when my feelings change, what do I trust? The Bible tells us in Hebrews 10:23 "Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised IS FAITHFUL" (emphasis added). The truth is that God's word is our source of hope and truth. When our feelings say something contrary to God's word, which will happen, we must choose to trust what the Bible says above my feelings. We must hold onto Jesus, that He knows what He is doing and that I can trust Him. I pray that your faith be strengthened this month, that no matter what happens, you can trust the God who made you and holds your life in His hands.

Youth Events:

Wednesday's : 6-7:30 Youth Activities & Meal

Sunday's: 9:45 AM Sunday School

Sunday's: 6 PM Youth Bible Study/Game Room

Announcements

Operation Christmas Child: Our Goal this year for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes is 1,000! February items to be collected will be accessories; hats, scarves, gloves, Mittens, jewelry, hair clips and ponytail holders. After you shop for your items remember to pray for the child who will receive the item. Then bring them and place them in the Operation Christmas Child box and Thank You for helping reach Children around the world with the Love of Jesus! Also remember we collect the \$9.00 shipping for each shoebox each month. There are envelopes on the items of the month poster.

Golden Agers Breakfast: Our Golden Agers Breakfast for the month of February will be on Monday, the 12th. Larry Burnett will be our speaker and we will have a full breakfast that is always enjoyed by everyone attending. Please consider joining us for a delicious breakfast.

Deacon's Meeting: Sunday February 11th at 9:00 AM.

Finance Committee Meeting: Monday, February 12th at 6 PM in the conference room.

Women's/Men's Ministry

Men's Breakfast: Sunday, February 4th at 8:00 AM.

Men's Disciple Group: Tuesday mornings at 6 AM.

IF Gathering: At IF Gathering 2018, we will look at one of Paul's letters to Timothy as he reminded him of the power and responsibility of sharing the gospel. Come be a part of this simulcast event as we worship and fellowship with women around the globe. In the Fellowship Hall on Friday, February 9th 5:45PM—9PM and Saturday, Refreshments will be served, February 10th from 8:45 AM—4:00 PM, breakfast and lunch will be served.

Children's Ministry

Children & Youth Activities: from 6-7:30PM on Wednesdays. We serve a meal each night to all workers and children. We will not have activities on February 14th. All children 4yrs—12th grade are welcome.