

We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

Order of Worship

Upcoming Events

Aug. 28 – Family Water Activities 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 28-29 –Youth Group Lock-In 7:30 p.m. – 8:00 a.m. Sept. 30 – Bedlam Blood Drive

Record for 8-16-20

Morning Worship 141
Contribution \$6,765.00
Budget \$6,634.62
Households served at Pantry 52
Total people served at Pantry 146

Birthdays:

August:

24 th	Duane Owen
27 th	Ally Coker
28 th	Connie Johnson

Anniversaries:

23 rd	Bill & Susan Oldham
	34 Years!!
25 th	Roger & Charlotte Owen
	53 Years!!
27 th	Landis & Renee Fuksa
28 th	Stephen & Jadey Lincoln

Prayer Time

Every Monday morning at 10:00 a.m., Erik has a special time dedicated to prayer. Anyone is welcome!

Children's Worship Welcome/Scripture: Isaiah 6:5-8	Gordon Jantz
Opening Prayer	
Song Leader	
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Communion Talk	Danny Powers
	In Moments Like These
	Dismiss Children
Sermon	
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Closing/Announcements	
Shepherd's Prayer	
Children's Worship	Mary Raloff
Nurserv	Geneva Osburn
Sound Booth	Jim Coker
Slides	

Sermon Scripture: Matthew 19:27

Sermon Thought: It is interesting to think about motivation. Just about everything we do has a motivation. Many would say at the center of motivation is the pursuit of happiness. What is our motivation to follow God? Is it rooted in getting something back? Forgiveness, love, blessings? Today's sermon looked at following God simply because he is good and right rather than what we receive.

Sermon Questions:

1. What are your thoughts on happiness being a main motivator in life?

2. What motivations do people tend to have for following God?

3. Are some motivations better than others? If so, why?

Hiking Boots

New Prayer Concerns:

- <u>JoAnn Minson</u> Carol Baxter's aunt; in her final days battling cancer
- <u>Betty Walling</u> Carl Jantz's sister; recovering from a heart attack
- <u>Phyllis Haws</u> will be getting treatment for a hiatal hernia
- <u>Karen Manley</u> recovering from complications from a lung biopsy; needs prayers and encouragement
- <u>Darlene Shepard</u> tested positive for Covid-19; also pray that her husband stays safe as he is dealing with lung disease
- <u>Cheryl Siders</u> recovering from a heart ablation
- <u>Jan Petrik</u> severe nerve pain on her side
- <u>Rustin Osburn</u> diagnosed with colon cancer; has started chemo

Next Week's (8/30/20) Servants:

Song Leader:	Sean Sellers
Opening Prayer:	Dennis Hartman
Communion Talk:	Gordon Jantz
Shepherd's Prayer:	Dan Kent
Sound Booth:	Robb Mills
Slides:	Dudley Darrow
Nursery:	Kim Spencer
Children's Worship:	Cassie Barr Jamie Barr

The pantry is in need of plastic sacks! Please bring what you have and put them in the box by the kitchen. I like cars and trucks. I like to look at them, I like to drive them (sometimes too fast), and I am always interested in what comes next. My wife often makes fun of me because I have a nice vehicle, yet I very often speak of different trucks, or how Dodge is putting the Hellcat engine in the new Ram Rebel giving it 707 horsepower. My point is I get tired of what vehicle I am driving very quickly, I fall out of love with it and desire another. I guess you could say I get bored easily.

It's because not much matches the anticipation of car shopping, or the new car high you get when you roll off the lot in a different vehicle than you got there in. The problem is once the new car smell wears off, and you notice your back starts to cramp if you take it on a road trip, all those other cars you haven't driven start to look real good.

This is because I, like most people get infatuated with things and once the new wears off and it takes more work than I thought, or it doesn't feel the way I expected, I lose interest. This is a massive problem in the church because sometimes people fall in love with the idea of something and not with the thing itself. Some people don't actually want to follow God, they just want all the nice things that can come from that relationship. I'll give you another example.

Have you ever fallen out of bed while you were asleep? It's probably because you fell asleep too close to where you got in the bed. A lot of people fall out of their relationship with God because they fell asleep too close to where they got in.

We as Christians need to pursue a deep relationship with God, one driven by love and not by the promise of nice things or the prospect of something new. It's easy to fall sometimes. Life has peaks and valleys, but followers of God bring their hiking boots. Prepare yourself for a long-haul relationship with God, not for a one-sided "give me things" fest. Don't fall asleep too close to where you got in.

Revelation 3:15-16 "I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of My mouth."

Stephen Lincoln

Thank You

Thanks for the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ. I am so thankful for Him hearing your prayers for healing and allowing Karen to recover and live. *Michael Manley*

Thank you for all your prayers and support for Jim's eye surgeries. *Jim & Geneva Osburn*

Cleaning Team

In order to keep our church family safe and healthy, we are in need of volunteers to help clean the main church building after worship service each week. We need a team to simply wipe down and disinfect pews, door handles, and other high touch surfaces. Please meet Mandy down front after services if you would be willing to help serve.