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WORSHIP WITH US SUNDAY
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THE PASTOR'S PAGE

February is perhaps most known for Valentines day on the 14th. An annual holiday of celebrating those who are close to you and typically remembered with chocolates, cards, and date nights. It can be a beautiful reminder to be in pursuit of your spouse if the Lord has called you to be married. However, if the pursuit of your spouse is limited just to the "big days," like Valentines, anniversaries, and birthdays, you will find your relationship with your spouse to be sorely lacking. To cultivate a healthy and happy marriage one must continually be investing your time, energy and emotion into making the marriage the best it possibly can be.

I think we all can see and know this about our relationship with a spouse or significant other, but do we think similarly about our relationship with God? We've all gone through dry seasons or times when we maybe didn't sense the presence of God in our lives. When we are growing through those seasons, if someone were to ask us, "What does your time with the Lord look like on a daily basis?" Or, "What is your prayer life like right now?" How often in those seasons would our honest answer be, "not like it used to be." There is a direct correlation between our time we spend seeking Him and our relationship with Him. Too often we take our relationship for granted and simply expect everything to be great without putting in the work. It would be like saying I feel distant from my spouse while not doing anything to try and draw close to him or her.

Now I don't want to overly simplify things, as there are times and seasons when we may be earnestly seeking the Lord and for whatever reason He does seem distant, His word seems dry and prayer might feel like a dentist visit. There are many reasons for this, far beyond this space here to dive into, but I will say that the way out of those times typically involves getting into his word, praying, spending time alone and quiet with Jesus. So even if you have been pursuing him and are feeling distant, I would encourage you to press into those disciplines all the more and wait upon Him.

"Our experience in worship Sunday morning is directly connected to our worship of Him Monday through Saturday."

Pastor David

Pastor David's Office Hours: Monday 9 - 12 & 1 - 4 pm | Tues. & Wed. 1-5pm | Thurs. 9 am - 12 pm
Pastor David's Phone: 906-290-3510

God is love
1 John 4:8



SPREAD THE LOVE

February



God Whispers

Recently I sorted through some dusty stacks of old papers, saved articles to read and my cache of notes and ideas for writing projects. Most of it got tossed and some was filed away for "someday, but not now." One notebook page I had torn out titled "God Said No" caught my attention. I don't know where I got it from or the original author, but something made me take the time to write it down. One of my God whispers, little nudges I get from time to time, told me it could be a Church Mouse article with a little editing. OK, I can do that. I am listening. My thanks and appreciation go to the unknown author-it may have been another God whisper.

GOD SAID NO

I asked God to take away my habit God said, "No, it's not for me to take away it's for you to give it up."

I asked God to make my disabled child whole. God said, "No, his spirit is whole his body is only temporary." I asked God to grant me patience. God said, "No, patience is a product of tribulations. It isn't granted, it is learned." I asked God to give me happiness. God said, "No, I give you blessings. Happiness is up to you." I asked God to spare me pain. God said, "No, suffering draws you apart from worldly cares and brings you closer to me." I asked God for all things that I might enjoy life. God said, "No, I will give you life so that you may enjoy all things." I asked God to help me love others, as much as He loves me. God said, "ah-h-h-h, you have the idea." This Day is yours, don't throw it away....May God bless you.

Pip the church mouse

Please contact the following Session members if you have any concerns:

Administration:
Nora Swanson & Lyle Cherry

Discipleship:
Derrick McGee & Lynn Bauer

Outreach: Randy Chapek & Jim Pleuss

Maintenance/Building/Grounds:
Howie Edwards & Mike Yoder

Nominating:
Lyle Cherry & Nora Swanson

Worship: Brenda White & Jim Pleuss

DISCERNING THE VOICE OF GOD



With so many things coming in and out of our minds everyday, how can we discern what is from God, what is from us and what is from the enemy? Here's a simple list to check if your "word from the Lord" is really from the Lord

- 1 Does it line up with the Bible/character of God?
- 2 Does it glorify God?
- 3 Do other Christians agree that your word could be from the Lord?
- 4 Do you see fruit from it?

Acts 20:35: "In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'"



SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL IS BACK!

Special Olympics

One of the most powerful outreach activities the church is part of is the Special Olympics Team in town. We are so thankful that they use our church to have a team dinner after every practice!



Ash Wednesday: Wed, March 5

- Potluck 5:30
- Service 6:30

Lent: Thursday, March 13-Thur April 10

- Potluck 5:30
- Service 6:30

There will be NO Potluck/Service April 17th

Good Friday: Friday, April 18

- No Potluck
- Service 7:00

Easter: Sunday, April 20

- Sunrise Service 8:00am
- Breakfast
- Service 10:00am

FEBRUARY 2025



COUNTING

Feb 2nd	Brenda W & Mike Y
Feb 9th	Nora S & Lynn B
Feb 16th	Derrick M & Howie E
Feb 23rd	Randy C & Jim P

COMMUNION

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GREETERS

Feb 2nd	Dave G & Jo G
Feb 9th	Henry & Lynn B
Feb 16th	Jerry & Brenda R
Feb 23rd	Mark A & Dawn

SAFETY TEAM

Feb 2nd	Dave G
Feb 9th	Henry B
Feb 16th	Andy K
Feb 23rd	Andy K

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Bonnie Eastman	8 th
Richard Stillman	9 th
Marianne Ricciardi	14 th
Iola Kelly	15 th
Robert Kaas	21 st
David White	21 st
Doris Lopez	23 rd
Jim Pleuss	25 th

Steve and Judy Porfilio 13th

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, or got it wrong, please call the church office so that we (hopefully) don't make the same mistake in the future!



WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE IN THE 6TH, 7TH & 8TH COMMANDMENTS

Sixth, that we do not hurt or hate our neighbor. Seventh, that we live purely and faithfully. Eighth, that we do not take without permission that which belongs to someone else.

FEBRUARY

2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
						1 Man Camp at Camp Daniel
2 Worship 10am Potluck after service	3 Homeschool Choir 6:15-7:15 Jail Outreach	4 Sarah's Circle 12:30 Special Olympics 5:30-6:30 AA 7pm	5 Men's Group 6:30am Kid's Church 2:00pm Able Fellowship 5:30pm	6 Men's/Women's Group 5:30 Potluck 6:15 Study	7 AA 7pm	8
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PRAYERS