

Family Information

From The Elders & Minister

As many of you are probably already aware, Covid-19 cases are spiking and the risk of the virus is high - please continue to follow all CDC guidelines and recommendations so that we are still able to meet in person. We will keep you posted if any changes need to take place.

Here again are the precautions we are currently taking with the building worship time:

The worship service time will be 10:00 a.m. Facemasks will be required. If you do not bring your own, one will be provided for you. The facemasks are to be worn at all times during the service apart from taking the cup and bread during the Lord's Supper. We will have individual cups with bread on top packed and ready for each of you as you come into the foyer. Instead of a collection/contribution time, we will have a contribution plate where you can leave your contribution. Bulletins will not be printed. They will be on our website.

Each family must sit together, and there has to be 6 feet or more distance from the next person or family. Once service is finished, we will dismiss starting from the back and working towards the front, going section by sections. Please do not gather around in the foyer. Our Ghana brothers and sisters will be starting worship at 12:00 p.m., so please leave the parking lot by 11:40 a.m. to honor the space for their time of worship.

For further guidelines and details, please check with the elders.

Calendar

On-Line Sunday Afternoon Bible Class

In the Sunday afternoon on-line Bible class, the current series is: "The Lord Is Trustworthy & Faithful" (based on Psalm 145). The studies are being taught by Mark G., Phil S., Steve C., and Leon N. This week, Steve will teach the class, beginning at 2:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to join.

More On-Line Studies

Every other Friday at 7:00 PM, next session November 20 - TGIF Bible Study led by Mike Evans. Contact him for details.

Wednesday evenings after 7:00 PM - Pre-recorded Instagram Devotional by Caleb Dillinger will be available. Contact him for details.

Mondays at 7:00 PM - Women's prayer group, hosted by Peggy Kaiser. Contact her for details. If you aren't able to join, you can e-mail prayer requests to Peggy.

Tuesdays at 7:00 PM - Women's Bible study, "Abide In Christ", led by Karen Susenna. Contact her for more details.

Contribution

	Last Week	Average YTD
General:	\$2425	\$4689
Designated:	\$25	\$67
Scholarship Fund Current Total		\$ 810
See The Elders If You Have Any Questions		



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Remember The Lord Our God

Remember how the Lord your God led you all the way in the wilderness these forty years, to humble and test you in order to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep his commands. - Deuteronomy 8:2

Every day of our lives, it has been the Lord our God who gives us life and breath and everything else, and who sustains us each step. Our Heavenly Father patiently reminds us to remember him and all he does for us, and to walk humbly before him. God feeds every living thing, and he feeds our souls when we put all our faith in him and in his words - *He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna . . . to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. - Deuteronomy 8:3*

Tardigrades are tiny creatures only 1/50-1/25 of an inch long (about 1/2-1 millimeter), yet they can survive extreme conditions that no other animal can. Nicknamed "water bears", since they resemble miniature bears lumbering around (though on 8 legs), they can survive several days at temperatures below -300 degrees Fahrenheit, can survive for several minutes at temperatures over 300 degrees, and can survive pressures six times the water pressure at the ocean's greatest depths.

Human bodies are much too frail to survive conditions remotely approaching these; yet as God shows his care to the little tardigrades, how much more God helps us survive spiritually in the harsh conditions of this world's vast spiritual wasteland, when we walk by faith in Jesus - *He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness. - Deuteronomy 8:15-16*

Though the tardigrade's active life span is about two years, they can live through much longer periods of dormancy when conditions require it. They can go without water or food for over 20 years by considerably slowing down their metabolism. Another of the water bear's features is its resistance to deadly levels of gamma ray and ultraviolet radiation, and some tardigrades can survive 1,000 times the dose that would be fatal for a human.

Similarly, God sustains our spirits with living water and living bread; and he protects us from the venomous snakes and scorpions of this world's futile thinking and the accuser's snares. So God gently reminds us not to forget that he alone is God, that he alone can satisfy our deepest needs - *When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God. - Deuteronomy 8:10-11*

Moreover, our Father in heaven is bringing us to a good land, a far better land than human minds can imagine, *For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land (Deuteronomy 8:7)*. God is our hope all day long, and it is good to praise him.

-- Mark Garner

Services

Sunday Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday Ghana Bible Study	9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service	10:30 am
Sunday Ghana Worship Service	10:30 am
Sunday Spanish Worship	3:00 pm
Wednesday Evening	7:00 pm

Minister: Caleb Dillinger

Elders: Mike Evans, Jeff McVicker, Jim Robbins

Deacons: Lynn Champney, Perry Coate, Glenn Culler, Darrell Estep, Jack Evans, John Lindsay, Don Milnor, Art Silva

Spanish Ministry: Elmer Renderos, Luis Valdez

Spring Of Truth & Inward Light

Jesu, name of sweetest thought,
Name with every blessing fraught—
But beyond all blessings here,
Is Thy presence, Jesu, dear.

O Thou richest song of all,
Sweetest sound that e'er can fall,
Charmèd thought forever nigh—
Jesu, Son of God, on high!

Hope of contrite hearts and meek,
Jesu, near to them that seek—
If to those who ask so kind,
Lord, what is it Thee to find!

Jesu, joy of hearts, most bright,
Spring of truth and inward light,
Sweetest joy of Heaven above,
Far exceeding human love.

Human speech it cannot say,
Pen it cannot e'er portray,
He who loves alone can sing
What it means to Him to cling!

- Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153

Let All Things Now Living

Let all things now living
a song of thanksgiving
to God the Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
who guides us and leads to the end of our days.

God's banners fly o'er us;
God's light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

- Katherine Kennicott Davis, 1939 (Katherine K. Davis wrote numerous hymns, as well as many children's songs, including "The Little Drummer Boy". Davis also wrote many classical music compositions; she studied music at Wellesley College, and later travelled to Paris to study under French composer Nadia Boulanger.)

The Way & The Truth & The Life

Jesus is the Way and the truth and the life, as well as many more things. This week, Robbie McVicker writes about a Psalm that has been especially encouraging to her, and how being close with Jesus can give us peace, joy, and meaning.

Who Is The Rock Except Our God?

My encouragement comes from the Lord!! I read the Psalms to speak life into me. One of my current "go to Psalms" is Psalm 18. The whole psalm is great, but I concentrate on Verses 30-32.

"As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is Flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him. For who is God besides the Lord? And who is the Rock except our God? It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect."

If we were to ask Paul what made him so joyful and the Philippian Church so joyful just maybe it had to do with "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with Thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:4-6

I find that being grateful and finding purpose in life, especially at this time of Covid-19, makes my life joyful and makes life seem much more normal.

- Robbie McVicker

