



FAITH MATTERS

Sunday, June 9, 2019

Weekly Newsletter for Faith Covenant Church of Manistee, Michigan

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude Angie Johnson

*Hymn #78: *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Welcome Pastor Kris Johns

*Praise Songs Praise Team

Giving Back to God Pastor Paula Frost

Special Music Praise Team

*Hymn #83: *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

Scripture: **Luke 18:35-43** Caius Johns

Children's Moment Pastor Paula Frost

Sermon: ***Following Him to the Least of These*** Pastor Herb Frost

Apostle's Creed Congregation in Unison

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Communion

*Closing Song Praise Team

Sending Out Pastor Herb Frost

*Please stand as you are able.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the A/V Booth.
Nursery care for babies thru age 3 is provided.

SERMON NOTES:

***Knowing and Following Jesus—The Path of the Disciple
Following Him to the Least of These; Luke 18:35-43***

There are at least two questions:

_____ are the Least?
_____ do we follow Him?

Who are the Least?

The _____ – John 9:1,2

Shame and blame – “You are a bad person”

Shame and Blame lead to relational darkness including fear of truth-telling. (vss 18-26)

“Shame is the feeling that washes over us and makes us feel so flawed that we question whether we're worthy of love, belonging, and connection.” Brene Brown in Dare to Lead

The _____ – shouted down

What is _____ journalism?

Why is it a problem?

It is a problem because it replaces the _____ of the people involved with the _____ of the journalist.

Whose voice is not worthy to hear?

The _____ – only Mark gives the

name, and that is son of Timaeus –

Revelation 2:17 and Isaiah 56:5; 62:2; 65:15

The _____ – dependent on the

_____ (the inward motivation to help) of others, of God.

The path of the disciple - Follow Him to “the Least”

Being non-judgmental –

- we tend to judge _____ where we are most susceptible to _____ –

(Guilt – I have done wrong and am in need of God

Shame – I am a bad person and beyond the reach of God.)

Step 1. Revelation 3:17-20 and

_____ to the approach of God.

Being interested –

Step 2. What is your _____, what is your _____?

Stop, Look, Listen – for

_____ sake. Psalm 41:1-4

Empathy before Fixing-

This is _____! - Job's three friends began well... Job 2-4

Fixing what we can

Acts 9:36 and 10:28

So what do we do with this?

Find forgiveness – healed people can help others

Slow down to Stop, Look, Listen

Sit with people in their pain – without fixing them.

Do good where and when you can.

YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP: CAMP BARNABAS

Camp Barnabas is a 100% special needs camp in Missouri. We get to serve these campers one-on-one as missionaries for a week, July 26th - August 4th! For more information, contact Pastor KJ: 231.907.3044.

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR THE TEAM

Kids going into grades 5, 6, & 7 - Meet from 9:00-11:00am on Wednesdays at the church for BBnB (Breakfast, Bibles, and Buddies)! Our first meeting will be this Wednesday, June 12th followed by fun outings in Frankfort! We will be back at the church by 5:00pm.

SUMMERTIME SISTERS

Ladies - It's almost time for Summertime Sisters...informal gatherings open to all women of the church and their friends! We meet at 7:00pm on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of June, July, & August. Our first gathering will be at 7:00pm tomorrow, June 10th at Shellee Seymour's home. Copies of the full schedule are available on the Welcome Center. For more information, contact Carole Lindberg: 231.398.0958 or 231.510.7113.

MOPS STEERING TEAM MEETINGS

Team Members: Our meetings will be in various homes this summer. Our June meeting will be at Emily Wirth's home. Please check the MOPS Leaders Facebook page for more info or contact Emily at: 231.655.3506.

FAITH FAMILY FASHIONS

We are in need of bathing suits in girls, teens, & ladies sizes. Ladies PJs are also needed. Thank you so much for all the support!

A MESSAGE FROM THE FCC FELLOWSHIP TEAM

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed wonderful edibles and helped to make our Camp Sunday meal a success! We had a great turnout, a fabulous message, amazing music, and a tasty meal which was all made possible through the time and effort off our FCC family. You are all a masterpiece, and a blessing!

YOUNG LIFE MANISTEE

Young Life would work in partnership with the Armory Youth Project and the local church to reach unchurched kids in Manistee. Our goal is that EVERY KID would get the opportunity to hear the Gospel of Jesus and they would have opportunities to respond to it and grow in their faith. To start Manistee Young Life, we need financial resources, committee members, and adult & high school student leaders. More information is available on the Welcome Center or you can contact Bill Kuiper, Committee Chair: wjk.kuiper@gmail.com or 616.862.8441.

AKERS FOOD ANGELS

We are a group of individuals who are coming together to provide meals made with love for those in need! Currently we are providing meals for the Manistee Friendship Society guests (located across Merkey Road from Walgreens). Call Sally Akers to see how you can help: 231.477.5021.

THIS WEEK'S MINISTRIES CALENDAR

SUNDAY, June 9

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal
10:00am: Fellowship & Coffee Time
10:30am: Worship Service

MONDAY, June 10

6:00pm: Property Stewards Meeting
6:30pm: MOPS Steering Team Meeting
7:00pm: Summertime Sisters

TUESDAY, June 11

12:00pm: Staff Meeting
6:30pm: Leadership Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, June 12

9:00am: Men's Breakfast at the Bungalow Inn
9:00am: The Team: Breakfast, Bibles, & Buds (BBnB)
11:00am: The Team: Outing to Frankfort
12:00pm: Faith Matters Weekly Deadline

THURSDAY, June 13

No ministries scheduled.

FRIDAY, June 14

No ministries scheduled.

SATURDAY, June 15

9:30am: Men's Bible Study at Riemer Eye Center

SUNDAY, June 16 - Father's Day

7:30am: Praise Band Rehearsal
10:00am: Fellowship & Coffee Time
10:30am: Worship Service
2:00pm: Medical Care Service

SUNDAY MORNINGS SUMMER SCHEDULE MAY 26th - SEPTEMBER 2nd

10:00am: Fellowship & Coffee Time
10:30am: Worship Service

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS JUNE 1st - August 31st

Mondays - Thursdays: 8:00am - 5:00pm
(Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 1:00pm)

FAITH MATTERS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINES THROUGH LABOR DAY

Please communicate newsletter information to the office staff by Noon on Wednesdays.
(Exception: The 1st week of July,
The deadline is Tuesday, July 2nd.

Keep in Your Prayers:

Benny Croissant

Jennifer Reid

Stan Hagemeyer

Carol Zink

Garrett Wirth

Sheryl Zimmerman

Tom Richert

Hank & Edie Minster

Doug Hanna

Jeanne Youngberg

Yolanda Harrison

Paula Frost

Roy & Marlene Walters



He's got the whole world in His hands!

CWRUPDATE

Home of Hope: From Rescue to Lives of Dignity

Covenant World Relief has been partnering with the Hindustani Covenant Church and Covenant Social Service (CSS) in India since 2006 to bring hope and restore dignity to women who are rescued from human trafficking. CSS works to break the cycle of violence in human trafficking in three ways:

1. Rescue and rehabilitate women involved in commercial sex work.
2. Provide income generation support to former commercial sex workers.
3. Restore lost childhood to children of commercial sex workers.

Prisha* is from the southern part of Maharashtra. After her father died, her family experienced a severe financial crisis, so Prisha moved to Pune to look for work. But her friend who claimed to be helping

her deceived her, and Prisha ended up in the red light district for seven years. When CSS staff met Prisha, they brought her to the Home of Hope. The staff are providing counseling support as Prisha works through past trauma and toward a future of hope. Now she is learning to make bread and earning a monthly income.

Covenant churches can partner with CWR to support the continued work of CSS. CWR is committed to working with CSS to rescue 50 women and their children from the red light district by 2022. If your church is interested in joining with us to support this ministry for one, two, or five years, please contact CWR at covenantworldrelief@covchurch.org.

*Name changed for protection.



Women at Home of Hope make communion wafers as one way to generate income for themselves and their families.



DID YOU KNOW...?

THE COMPLETE RIGHTNOW MEDIA LIBRARY IS AVAILABLE TO YOU AT NO COST, EXCEPT TIME!

This streaming library of Bible study videos that inspires faith every day of the week is available to you as our gift! The ultimate goal of RightNow Media is to encourage millions of Christians to be on mission wherever God has them. The Church—God's people—can have a powerful impact on this world. RightNow Media is a non-profit ministry on a mission to help people trade in the pursuit of the American Dream for a world that desperately needs Christ. This media library unleashes millions of Christians by serving churches that disciple and mobilize believers to live like Jesus in their homes, neighborhoods, at work, and around the world. Over 16,000 churches are served every day. Contact Carolyn in the church office at: 231.735.7305 or cwofficefcc@gmail.com to receive our church's login information so that you can be inspired, encouraged, and on mission with us!

FCC MINISTRY TEAMS NEED ADDITIONAL TEAM MEMBERS

Do you have a desire to serve God and our church family? These ministry teams are looking for additional team members &/or team leaders:

Missions Team: Contact Scott McKenney.
 Congregational Care Team: Contact Dick Lindberg.
 Fellowship Team: Contact Amy Holtgren.
 Property Stewards: Contact Denis Johnson.
 Worship & Music Team: Contact Pastor Herb Frost.

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

Sunday	Ushers	Greeters	Nursery	Scriptures	Coffee Host	Stewards	Audio	Video
June 9	Ruth Minster Dave Wagner Doug Malm Craig Smith	Bev Johnston Una Miller	Heather Barker Emily Wirth	Caius Johns	Judy Fredrickson	Mike Munsell Barry Peterson Ruth Minster	Dave Phelps	Annette Phelps
June 16	Ruth Minster Dave Wagner Don Moore Karen Moore	Dick Rees Barb Rees	Cynthia McKenney Shellee Seymour	Ruth Minster	Sue Wagner John Wagner	Barry Peterson Ruth Minster Pat Krolczyk	Tom Richert	Esther Poirier

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