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a community of grace

THE BODYBUILDER

Our vision is to be a community of grace, telling the unsaved of salvation by grace, encouraging the saved to live and grow in grace, and extending grace to others.

On The Journey

Living in Europe for a few years allowed me to take some amazing trips. One trip, however, seems to stand out above the rest. I took a trip with several of my friends to Norway. For a week we hiked through some of the most beautiful mountains in the world. We saw some amazing fjords, and stood among some of the highest cliffs I have ever encountered. This wasn't a survival trip or anything like that. Every night we stopped at a particular lodge that provided food and a place to sleep and get cleaned up. The days were all filled with unique challenges; some very long days and many difficult climbs. As I think back on this trip, what stands out in my memory are not the challenges, but the most beautiful places I have ever seen in God's amazing creation.

What about your life journey? As you look back over the years, you have undoubtedly experienced some unique challenges, faced some difficult "climbs", perhaps even encountered some terrible storms. But what has God been showing you? What has He been teaching you about Himself, His Kingdom, and even about yourself?

While our journeys are each unique, as His children, we do share some things in common. Psalm 23 reminds us of some of these important truths. God provides all we need: He is our Shepherd and we will not want (vs. 1). He leads us in the direction our lives need to go: leading us to green pastures and still waters (vs. 2). He gives us strength: restoring our souls (vs. 3). We know that he will never leave us, so we do not need to fear evil (vs. 4). He also loves and cares for us deeply: He is with us and comforts us (vs. 4). God blesses us beyond our imagination, our cup overflows, and one day we will live with Him, in His presence, forever (vs. 5-6)!

As we look to our past, these truths will often stand out as the highlights of our lives. We can remember His hand at work and we are able to rejoice in Him for all that he has done for us. As we look to the future, we can confidently face whatever happens because our hope in Jesus Christ is secure and never fails.

Serve the Lord with gladness!
Know that the Lord, He is God!
It is He who made us and we are His;
we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

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Psalm 100:2a,3 ESV

November 20 7:30am LAdies breakfast



Join us for these upcoming events.

- 1 Evening of Prayer, 7pm
- 7 Congregational Meeting
- 8 Mothers-In-Law small group, 7pm
- 20 Men's Breakfast, 7:30am
- 20 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast, 7:30am
- 21 No youth activities
- 28 No AWANA or Youth activities
- Pray for the Congregational Meeting on November 7, as we vote on Gary Armstrong as our next Senior Pastor.
- Praise the Lord that we were able to pass out Bibles to the students at KiDs Beach Club.
- Praise the Lord for the Pastor Search Team, for their dedication of time and investment of energy over the past two years! The team members are Marc Charpentier, David Emerson, Kim Hickman, Frank June, Rob Matlack, Kati Thompson, and Barbara Van Wart.







Pour yourself a cup of coffee and join us for a great study at 9:15am.
We are currently studying the Book of Philippians and would to see you there!



-CHURCH VOTE-Congregational Meeting

November 7 | Following the Service

SENIOR PASTOR

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	7pm Prayer	2	3	4	5 * Sherry Roth	6
7 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING 9:15AM Bible Classes 10:30AM Worship 4:00PM AWANA 6:00PM Youth Group	7pm BE A GREAT MOTHER-IN-LAW	9	10 * Tom Wagner	11 * Ben Arnall	12	13 * Leilani Matlack
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