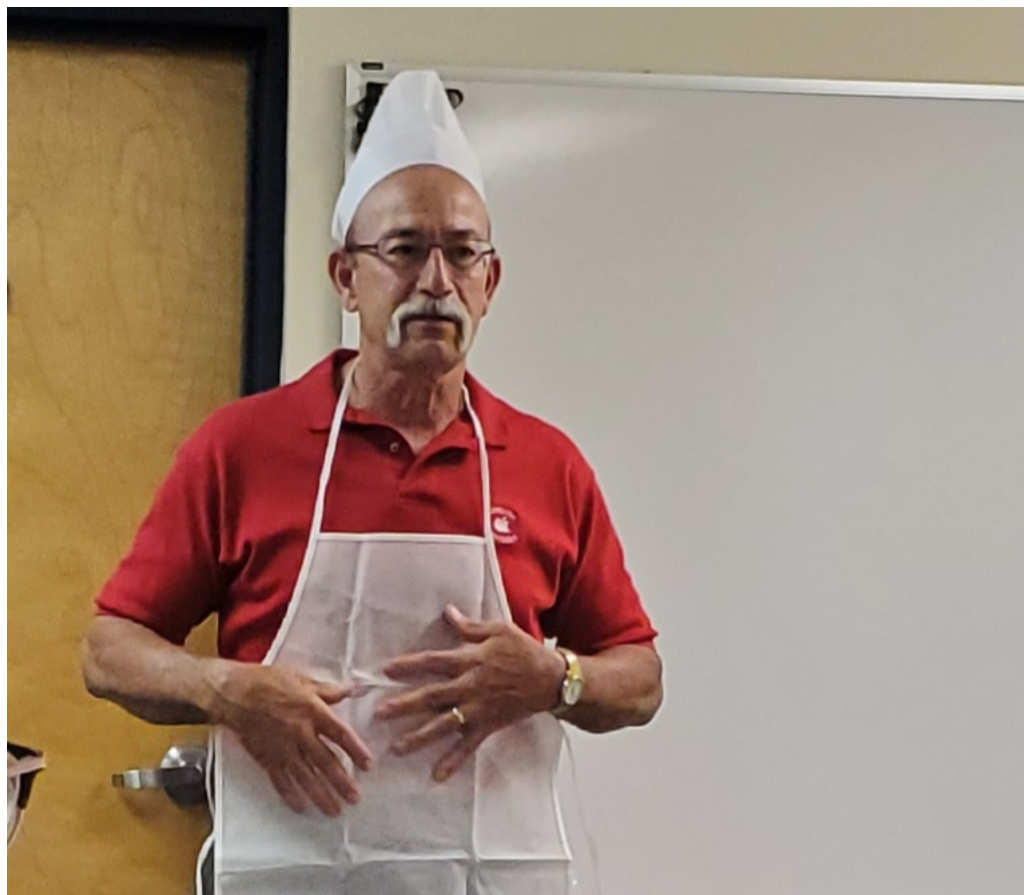


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The Lord's Day

June 16, 2024

PRELUDE
HYMN 202/203
PRAYER
TRIBUTE TO FATHERS
KIDS KORNER
WORSHIP MUSIC
BIBLE MESSAGE
CLOSING CHORUS 253
BENEDICTION

Like the tide moving in and out, the length of daylight hours gently rises and falls throughout the calendar year. This week our hemisphere reaches its longest day! But GOD is not subject to these earthly changes. Therefore, our awe and reverence for him must never waver or change. Throughout these cycles, we meet together on the first day of the week to WORSHIP and HONOR God. We welcome you!

TODAY > 8:30 and 10:45 = WORSHIP 9:50 > SUNDAY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY > 6:30 COMMON GROUP youth group
ADULT study/Prayer *During the summer months we will examine Biblical descriptions of angels, our "friends in high places."

"I constantly remember you in my prayers at all times ..." (Romans 1:10)

- Linda Dombrowsky will be joining a Mission of Harmony team in Honduras, June 13-22.
- Roger Reeck (Honduras missionary) will be having a TENS unit (digital stimulation) implanted in his back to relieve chronic pain.



We are filled with joy for Dakota Merritts and Hannah Piper, who joined their lives in holy marriage yesterday. May God's blessing be upon them each day. Congratulations!

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	<i>This Week</i>	<i>Next Week</i>
1st Nursery	Cindi Keely & Sandy Turman	Lori & Morgan Clopper
2nd Nursery	Cindy Rawley	Sara Witmer
Acolyte	Cole Tracey 1st Isabel Thompson 2nd	Callie Witmer 1st Carter Wagaman 2nd
Prelude	Sheri Michalsky	Latasha Johnson
Greeters	Jorge Ruelas Family	Kathy Sanbower & Loretta Robinson

Last Week...	6/9/24
Attendance	246
General	\$ 9,166.75
Missions	\$ 1,879.50
Building Fund	\$ 2,231.50
Sunday School	\$ 427.00



Our recent VBS offering was \$666.00, topping our goal of \$400.00! This will be given to Chariots of Destiny, a ministry that refurbishes and places wheelchairs with disabled folks in Kenya. THANKS to each person who contributed monetarily and THANKS to each helper and parent who made these 3 special evenings possible. A very special THANK YOU to Christine Repp, who served on the VBS Committee and contributed in many ways!



We are so thankful for Jenny Stayman and her overseeing the prayer request ministry of sending out prayer requests. She has done a wonderful job maintaining this ministry. She and Abe have decided to move to Florida permanently. We will miss

having them be part of our church but wish them well in their new adventure.

While we haven't been able to send prayer concerns for the past several weeks, we anticipate that we will be able to send mass emails and prayer concerns very soon. **With Jenny's move we will need a new volunteer to oversee sending the prayer requests out. Please contact the church office (717-597-8525) or Holly Ressler (301-842-7573) to volunteer.**

LAMENTS OF LIFE

The conquest of Judah and destruction of Jerusalem (586 B.C.) was a terrible scene and a great slaughter. The survivors were shocked and stunned. The prophet Jeremiah took up his pen and composed a scathing response, a five-part poem. It is our Old Testament book of Lamentations. During JUNE our Sunday sermons will focus on these laments, noting principles for dealing with grief and frustration. LAMENTS OF LIFE

June 16 - The Lament of SHAME

(I am so embarrassed!)

June 23 - The Lament of SKEPTICISM

(Why doesn't religion work for me?)

June 30 - RELIEF from GRIEF

(I am growing!)



The group going to Mexico is in need of a van driver to take us to the airport on July 1 around 3:00 am. We already have a driver for our return on July 10. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Holly Ressler (301-842-7573).

Lament of SHAME (I am so embarrassed!)

"They scoff and shake their heads" (Lam. 2:15)

Some types of loss or change bring feelings of humiliation or shame in addition to the excruciating grief of the loss itself. *Debt, bankruptcy, divorce, prison, poverty, widowhood, physical disability, mental illness, etc.* often carry a social stigma. This lament carries the double whammy of personal difficulty AND public awkwardness.

- *I am the man who has seen affliction (3:1)*
- *I have become the laughingstock of all my people (3:14)*

The historical backdrop of Jeremiah's laments is the invasion/destruction of Jerusalem (586 B.C.) which was God's punishment for idolatry, injustice, etc. (*Jer. 52:2-3, Lam. 1:5, 3:1*). While complaining about the horrors, he admits that this punishment is DESERVED (3:37-39) and this _____ should be a _____ for repentance and change (3:40-42).

- * In cases where calamity results from sinfulness, shame should MOTIVATE us to change behavior and actually learn a better way to live! (*Mt. 3:8, Acts 26:20, 11 Cor. 7:9-11*)

If this is not the case, embarrassment is still dreadful. However...

- √ No one has _____ from embarrassment. You will _____ past it!
- √ If you are not at fault, God knows. He alone will _____ your life!
- √ Your experience will enable you to _____ and _____ others!
- √ Jesus _____ and _____ you. He was publicly humiliated.
- √ Someday (God promises!) you will not even _____ this shame! (*Is. 54:4-8*)
- √ Humiliation will make you either bitter (vengeful) or humble. God's way is that you would learn _____ and _____ as you endure it. (*Lam. 3:25-32, 1 Peter 2:19*)

Look, I am placing a cornerstone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone. Anyone who TRUSTS IN HIM will never be put to shame. (1 Peter 2:6)