

Things You Should Know!

Connect Cards can be found in the seat-back pocket in front of you! Please fill it out, take it to the Welcome Center in the Foyer and grab a gift! We want guests to feel welcome and we hope to see you again!

Prayer Requests can be submitted via the website under the Ministries tab. These prayer requests go directly to Pastor Aaron and are confidential.

The Bridge the Gap Fund sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings, you may do so by putting donations in the box at the back of the sanctuary or by giving online. Please email the church office for more information.

Church Directory App is available now! If you need help accessing it, please contact the church office and we can work on getting you set up!

Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 9AM & 10:30AM

Kids Service: Sundays Both AM Services

Youth Group: Sundays from 6-7:30PM

Upcoming Events!

TODAY!!! September 1: Annual Church Cookout following the 10:30am service! We will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. We encourage you to bring a side or dessert to share if able.

September 8: Baptisms will take place at Pere Marquette Beach at 2PM. If you are interested in being baptized or have questions, please reach out to our pastoral staff.

September 8-29: Men's & Women's Groups will be meeting on Sunday nights from 6-7:30PM. See a staff member for more information.

September 10: Connection Point Recovery is launching September 10 at 6:30PM, meeting weekly. It is a Christ-centered, Bible-based, share-group program of recovery that is designed to help people connect with God and heal from life's struggles, pains, or habits.

September 14: Annual Richard "Dick" Fry Golf Memorial at Oak Ridge Golf Course. \$60/person or \$240/ team. Proceeds benefit Bridge Builders!

September 15: Lunch With Leaders - If you are new to our church or have never attended this lunch, you are invited! Please RSVP through the church email, sign up in the Welcome Center, or see one of the church staff.

September 16: MomCo (formerly known as MOPS) will resume for the season meeting the 1st & 3rd Mondays of each month from 9:30-11AM in Classroom 101 off the gym. See Pastor Holly for more details.

September 20: Apple Picking is back! See someone in the Youth Group or a staff Pastor to place your order! Each bag of apples in 5lbs for \$10.

October 5: All Day, Every Day Discipleship Event - From 11:30AM-8PM, this is an event for students. There will be a service project, games and a scavenger hunt in downtown Holland! The cost is \$20. See Pastor Matt and sign-up on our website.



Further Reflection for 9/1

1. When is a moment in life that you felt overwhelmed by something that was good/bad?
2. Read John 12:20-50
3. What jumps out to you from the text?
4. How might you understand versus 24-26? What does it mean to lose your life?
5. Verses 31-33 paint a picture of Jesus' death and how that is ultimately what overcomes the forces of darkness in the world. Verses 34-36 show the rebuttal of those listening as they cannot imagine God's Savior dying. Their imaginations are geared toward violent overthrow. How does Jesus' message paint a different picture and how might we embrace that message now?
6. Verses 37-43 show that many didn't believe in Jesus, but many did believe in Jesus. Why, even today is it difficult/easy to believe in Jesus?
7. This passage ends (v 44-50) with a reminder that Jesus came to save the world. It also shares that those who reject his teaching and don't follow him, have chosen their own judgment. How do we understand both of these realities at the same time?
8. The brighter a light is, the more pronounced shadows are. This week, ask the light of Jesus to shine more brightly in your life, so that, the areas that you need his light to shine will be more evident. Then ask God to help you surrender those areas of life.

Further Reading: The Signature of Jesus: Brennan Manning; A Deeply Formed Life: Rich Villodas

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