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THE PHARISEE & THE TAX COLLECTOR

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Upcoming Events!

Annual Church Election is TODAY following the church service. A sample ballot is available in the Welcome Center.

Next Steps Class is TODAY in the classroom off the gym following church. Lunch will be provided.

Youth Summer Kick-Off is TONIGHT from 6-8pm. This is a night for students (7-12 grade) to hangout, play games like Gagaball, Cornhole, Spike ball, etc. and kick-off summer programming! We will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers as well. Contact Pastor Matt with questions!

Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Aaron is back! Sundays from 9:15am-10am. Come have a donut, some coffee, and chat!

Community Garden is looking for volunteers! Planting has begun! WE NEED YOU! If you are available, please sign up in the Welcome Center. You will be contacted with more info and details!

Men's Group is Sundays at 8PM in the classroom off the gym! We hope to see you there.

Women's Group is Tuesdays from 7:30-9PM in the classroom off the gym! We hope to see you there.

Blood Drive will be happening HERE on June 1st from 2-7pm. Donations are in desperate need! Please consider signing up! Scan the QR code to schedule or call 1-866-642-5663.



Annual Richard "Dick" Fry Memorial Golf Outing is June 11 at 2pm. Contact Sarah for details.

Kids Camp is coming June 13-17! Boys (6/13-15) & girls (6/15-17) camps are \$60/kid and loaded with FUN! Contact Pastor Holly for details, age requirements & questions.

Middle & High School Camp is just around the corner. Middle School Camp is June 13-17 & High School Camp is June 20-24. The cost is \$220. Please register before June 5th for transportation purposes. Contact Pastor Matt for more details and registration.

Gift Bags for Senior Shut-Ins are being created. We need items such as lip balm, puzzle books, mints, footies, trial size personal items, etc. These items should be new, may be purchased at the dollar store or similar. These are being collected through June 2nd.

Unity Music Festival is August 10-13. If you are interested in purchasing tickets through the church, please sign up in the Welcome Center or contact the church office. Money is due May 30th.

If your band ever goes out on tour, make
sure you bring along a Latvian sound engineer...
And a Czech one, too.
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Further Reflection for 5/22

1. Read Luke 18:9-14
 - a. What jumps out to you from the text?
2. Describe what we can know from this story about the Pharisee? Tax collector?
3. The Pharisee compares himself to others. Why is that a temptation for many of us?
4. The tax collector does not try to justify himself before God, why do we sometimes try to justify ourselves to others or even to God?
5. Why is it important to note that there is nothing wrong with the Pharisees behaviors? In fact, they are all good practices that have spiritual value. What is "wrong" with the Pharisee in this particular story?
6. If you were to pick one bad trait from the Pharisee and one good trait from the tax collector, what would those be?
7. Think of a moment when you passed judgement on someone else only to realize how wrong you actually were. What led to the judgment? Did you need to make it right in some way?

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.

Text to Give is available. Please text GIVE to 231-386-0644 and then follow the instructions given! You can also give online by visiting connectionpointmi.com and click the DONATE tab for a secure transaction. Thanks for supporting our ministries here at Connection Point.

The Bridge the Gap Fund sign is across from the Café. If you are interested in giving above your tithes/offerings there is a giving kiosk at the FOR store. Please email the church office for more information.

New 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: 10:30am

Kids Service: Sundays during 10:30am Service

Youth Group: Sundays from 6-8pm