



WHAT ARE WE?

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Things You Should Know!

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!

Upcoming Events!

Connect Groups have started to meet! Please contact Holly or sign up in the foyer if you are interested in the next session!

Sunday School meets in Classroom 101 off the gym & upstairs at 9:15am. Contact the office for more information if you are interested in attending.

UNITY Christian Music Festival is back! We are doing pre-purchased tickets through the church. Watch for an email or Facebook post for more information.

IMPACT 231 will be helping in the Community Garden on May 22 from 9 - 10:30am. The child's reward is donuts!

Community Garden will need help planting the morning of May 21 & May 22 from 9 - 12ish.

Backpack Drive - We are partnering with Kids Belong and collecting new backpacks for foster kids through June 30th.

Annual Church Election is May 23rd. There is a sample ballot in the foyer.

Further Reflection for 5/9

1. Read 1 John 5:1-6
2. Think of a time in your life when you had a fresh start with something or someone? How did it feel?
3. Share a time when you were not able to have a fresh start and you really wish you could have had one?
4. John writes about being born of God. In other words, when we follow Jesus we can have a new life. How has that idea been meaningful in your life?
5. In verse 2 John writes about loving others and that it happens in a particular way. What way is that? Why is that way so difficult?
6. How might we understand love for God based on John's writing?
7. The world is not meant to be understood as persons, but more systems, structures, and ways of life. Describe some things that you think of as "the world."
8. Verse 6 talks about Jesus coming from "water and blood." Most scholars believe John is talking about Jesus' baptism by water and the crucifixion that led to the shedding of his blood. Describe the impact of Jesus' baptism on you? Share your baptism story. Describe the impact of Jesus' crucifixion? Share the impact of communion in your life?
9. Pray this week, "Father, help me to be overcome the world through your love. May I share your love by obedience to your law of love. Help me to find my true identity as your child. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."



May 9, 2021 — Sermon Notes

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