



MAKING SPACE:

Good Neighbors

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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!

Upcoming Events!

We are looking for prayer partners!! If you are interested in “adopting” a child and praying for them throughout the year, contact Pastor Holly! She has cards made and ready to hand out!

Looking for Mentors! The NCRC in partnership with Step Up are looking for mentors for young adults in the Muskegon area. If you are interested, please check out the bulletin board by the Kids Check-in or talk to Sarah Klassen.

Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Aaron will be Sunday mornings from 9:15-10am starting November 14th. Come hang out, have a chat, some coffee & eat a donut.

Thanksgiving Dinner Program will be November 22nd at 11:30 am in the gym. All Seniors are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Pat Weselo at (231) 744-3057.

All Church Bowling Night will be December 5th at 6pm at Northway Lanes! Cost will be \$10/person. We are asking that you sign up in the welcome center and prepay in order to reserve lanes. You can also email the office to make your reservation!

Christmas Eve Service will be December 24th at 5pm!

***Today I learned that if you flip a canoe
over you can wear it as a hat...***

Because it is cap-sized.

Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 10:30am

Kids Service: Sundays during 10:30am Service

Youth Group: Sundays from 6-8pm

Further Reflection for 11/21

Reflection:

1. What is your best experience with a neighbor?
2. What is your worst experience with a neighbor?
3. Biblically, a neighbor is anyone else, what neighbors are most difficult for you? Why?

Study:

1. Read Luke 10:25-37
 - a. What are the things that jump out to you from the text?
 - b. The passage begins with Jesus giving a command on how the people of God are called to live. What about that command is difficult for you to put into practice?
 - c. Why do you think the “expert in the Law” was pushing so hard to clarify a definition of “who is my neighbor?”
 - d. The parable of The Good Samaritan contains three different people walking by the person who had been wounded. What is the difference from a religious perspective of each of them?
 - e. In what ways does it seem the good Samaritan went above and beyond what is “normal” in helping others?
 - f. Jesus sends the expert in the Law on his way, with the words “go and do likewise” and he is talking about having mercy on others. In what ways is mercy easy/difficult for you?
 - g. What is a modern day way, that you could be a “Good Samaritan”?

Application:

1. What are ways you can be a good neighbor?
2. How can we be better neighbors as a church?

Prayer:

Father, help me to be a good neighbor to all others. Especially, the people that are difficult for me to love. May I see in others the Divine Image in which they are created. In Jesus’ name I Pray. Amen.

Spiritual Practice:

- Seek opportunities to listen to others with whom you may disagree. Listen to their story, thoughts, ideas, and do not respond in the moment. Listen.

Further Learning Opportunity:

- Growing Young: 6 Essential Strategies to Help Young People Discover and Love Your Church; Kara Powell, Jake Mulder, and Brad Griffin
- The Art of Neighboring: Building Genuine Relationships Right Outside Your Door; Jay Pathak, Dave Runyon, and Randy Frazee
- Grace Bomb: The Surprising Impact of Loving Your Neighbors; Patrick Linnell

Sermon Notes

