

MAKING SPACE:

Empathize With Others



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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!

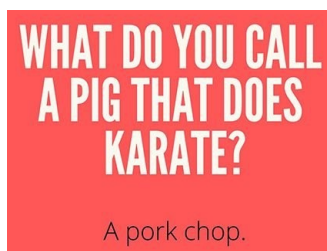
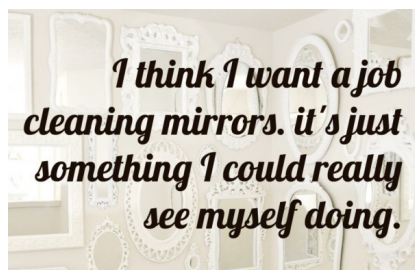
We are looking for prayer partners! If you are interested in “adopting” a child and praying for them throughout the year, contact Pastor Holly! She has cards made and ready to hand out!

NCRC Play & Learn will be here in the KidZone tomorrow, 10/25 at 10am!

Trunk Or Treat is Wednesday, October 27 from 6-7:30pm. WANTED!!! Candy!!! Cars!!!! Bodies!!! Sign up in the Welcome Center to participate! We need EVERYONE!!!

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.



Weekly Gatherings:

Sunday Service: 10:30am

Kids Service: Sundays during 10:30am Service

Youth Group: Sundays from 6-8pm

Further Reflection for 10/24

Reflection:

1. What is a moment in which someone listened to you and it made a big difference? What is a moment when someone did not listen to you and it really hurt?
2. What is the area of your life that is most difficult in terms of following Jesus? Why do you think that is?
3. When have you been able to be there for someone else in a way that they told you it mattered?

Study:

1. Read 1 Timothy 4:12-15
 - a. What jumps out to you?
 - b. From this passage what is the relationship between Timothy and Paul?
 - c. List the various things that are ways that Paul encourages Timothy to live?
 - d. Paul not only tells Timothy how to live, but he reminds him of his gift. Why is that important if you are ever going to invite someone to live differently?
 - e. How might Paul's words help Timothy in terms of his identity?
2. Read Matthew 11:28-30
 - a. What about these words is good news for you today? How might these words help in connecting with younger people today?
 - b. As a follower of Jesus we are called to live like Jesus. Throughout the gospels we see Jesus help those in need and show an interest in them. How might you put that into practice in your own life?

Application:

1. What can you do to encourage someone else in their faith and life today?
2. Who is someone that God may have laid on your heart to reach and connect with?
3. Write a note and thank a person who has been there for you in a tough moment in life.

Prayer:

Father, help me to trust you for defining who I am. Help me to be a person who speaks life into others and listens to them as you listen to me. In Jesus' name I Pray. Amen.

Spiritual Practice:

- Practice listening to people who have different experiences than you, are a different age than you are, or someone who is at a different life stage than you.

Further Learning Opportunity:

- In the Name of Jesus: Henri Nouwen
- When Narcissism Comes to Church: Chuck DeGroat

Sermon Notes
