

FAMILY NEWS



Upcoming Events

- 10.20.17** Youth Lock-In
Opened to all 6th-12th Grade
Please register by the 18th.
- 10.21.17** Men's Bible Class,
9:00a.m.
- 10.22.17** Potluck-Clergy Appreciation Month
- 10.28.17** LCOC Church Wide Clean-Up
- 10.29.17** Fall Festival/Chili Cook-Off, 5:00p.m.
- 10.31.17** Halloween

Prayer Requests

- Missions: Mike, Kris and Kaylee Bridges
- AIM: Mason Bridges, Hannah Baker, Donnie Guill (Mission UpReach)
- Grayson Carter- Ft. Riley, Kansas; Deployed to Poland/Germany
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley, Hawaii- Wheeler Army Airfield
- Steve Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Izzy -Robin Smith's Grandchild
- Nelson Bright- Karen Oliver's Uncle
- Heath Hartwell-Brian Devereaux's Friend
- Kimberly Craig, Kathy Upton's Daughter
- Gene Lowe-Vern Lowe's Father
- Malar Stewart-Saliha Stewart's mother
- Danny Altman-Lauren's Brother
- Kelli Harding & Lanhams'
- Robin Smith
- Wanda Pearson-Danae's Mother
- Dominick/Daniel Family
- Evelyn Gist Mary Turner's Mother
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart's Father

"CHILDREN"

We are all familiar with the words of Jesus when he said "let the little Children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the Kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." What is it about little children that is essential to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. I've known people to say you can't baptize children because they can't understand. But, Jesus said they have the stuff needed to enter the Kingdom.

Children enter the world totally dependent. All children are absolutely trusting of someone to care for their every need. Babies bring nothing to the table. They are created to receive all they need from their parents. Infants rely on mom and dad for physical and emotional needs entirely. What a lesson for all of us! We too must rely on our Father for physical, emotional and spiritual provisions. Our vulnerability is the root of a life of praise and Thanksgiving. It is the opposite of earning our own way and becoming proud.

This vulnerability can only reside in hearts that believe.

Boys and girls latch on to the story of Santa Claus and all the fairy tales we read them. Why do children believe these stories? And why do children delight in these stories? It's because little boys and girls are hard wired in their innocence to believe what they cannot see. This is the very definition of faith. Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain about what we do not see Hebrews 11:1. May we be like these children!

As we mature, the world besieges our faith and vulnerability. Children get told to do something for themselves, to chip in, to earn their way and that is appropriate. Children get told Santa Claus isn't real and the hero is only a fairy tale. That too is appropriate. We get confused, lose our sense of wonder and expectation and trade it in for cynicism. It was never meant to be that way. Our faith and vulnerability of childhood are meant to be transferred to our father in Heaven. We have the capacity to shred the Santa Claus part, marvel at our capacity to believe the unbelievable and place our faith where it was designed to be. This too is a gift from Above.

We are hard wired for clinging to childlike faith and vulnerability and to put our hope in God who never fails us. Solomon said He has put eternity into the hearts of Man. The child like vulnerability and the drive to believe the unbelievable is God's own spirit within us. We must embrace it. We must believe the unbelievable. It's breathtaking!

Believe, receive, and enter the Kingdom of God Luke 18:17.

Your Shepherds.

Assembly Times

- Sunday Worship 9:30AM**
- Sunday Class 11 AM**
- AWANA, Sunday 10 AM**
- Wednesday, 7 PM Bible Study**

Weekly Stats

- AM Bible Class 95**
- AM Bible Class Average 91**
- AM Assembly 123**
- AM Assembly Avg. 130**
- Contribution \$5,956.13**
- YTD Average Weekly \$7,453.49**
- Weekly Budget \$8,143.77**

Shepherds

- Larry Baker 542.1600**
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- Rick Chamberlain 859.409.2063**
- Rom Kellis 608.3423**
- Wayne Kellis 404.376.4085**
- Ernie Oliver 391.1312**

GENERAL INFORMATION

REMINDERS

Sign-up Sheets are on the podium for Geoffrey Cottrell and Suzanne Kennedy

Feed the Teens Link:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aa5ad2fa0f94-feed>

Anniversaries:

10.12 Robin & Mandy Akers

10.20 John & Mary Turner

10.26 Rick & Sandi Chamberlain

Birthdays:

10.18 Lanie Guill

10.28 Beverly Brown

10.31 Wayne Kellis

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**Opportunities to Serve
October 22, 2017**

Worship: Connor Watkins

Sound Room:
Chester Warren

Lord's Supper:
David Dowdy

Servers in October:

Larry Baker
John Turner
Corey Wisniewski
Nick Joy
Chris Tate

Hayden Oliver

Door Greeters in October:

Stephen & Amanda Wood

Nursery:

Jeanie Kirby
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Toddler:

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YOUTH NEWS

Since the start of school year, our elementary students have been learning some awesome Biblical truths paired with some of my favorite Bible verses and stories. Teaching their class is one of my favorite times of the week.

These verses, stories, and truths always have something new for me to learn and God continues to speak to my heart through them. Take a look and see how God speaks to you!

1. 2 Timothy 3:16 -- God's Message -- *God's Word is true. Therefore we can trust it. God Word was written to help us and teach us.*

2. Genesis 1:1 -- Creation -- *God created the entire world. We know He is powerful enough to take care of us. He is always with us.*

3. Genesis 1:14 -- God's design in creation -- *We have an amazing Creator. He created everything in perfect order. We can use the works of God around us to tell others about Him.*

4. Psalm 139:14 -- Handmade by God -- *We are made exactly the way God wants us to be and He continues to shape us. God created us in the image of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We need God and we need the church family and others that support us.*

Blessings,

Lauren

MEN'S NEWS

As we continue our study through Sinai Summit I think it is only appropriate that we commit to memory God's code of ethics. Based upon our initial conversations this seems to be a good opportunity for all of us to have a piece of God's heart imprinted upon our own.

The Ten Commandments

- You shall have no other gods before Me.
- You shall not make idols.
- You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
- Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
- Honor your father and your mother.
- You shall not murder.
- You shall not commit adultery.
- You shall not steal.
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- You shall not covet.

In a world of uncertainty, there's solace to be found in a merciful creator who has blessed us with a set of principles that will help us in being decisive leaders in this life.

I look forward to seeing you all for study of Sinai Summit Wednesdays @ 7pm with Travis and Steve!

Seek first His Kingdom, His glory, and His righteousness. Hope in the eternal. Live for a greater reward.

#grabtheoar

Justin