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Sunday School...9:45 AM...Sunday Morning Service...11:00 AM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study & Prayer...7:00 PM

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Welcome to our visitors! Our deepest desire is to bring glory to God through lives changed by the powerful Gospel of Jesus Christ. We pray that our church will be a place where you can experience the love of God.

THROUGH FEBRUARY - WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY AT 11:00

Our congregation will continue only meeting for Sunday Morning Worship service (11:00 AM) through February. Our ministry leaders encourage distancing 6 feet apart and wearing of masks.

THANK YOU FROM OUR PASTORS AND THEIR WIVES

Pastor Glenn and Sister Judy and Pastor Gary and Sister Collis would like to express their gratitude for the gifts and expressions of love from the congregation. "May the Lord bless you each one for your kindness to us! It is our privilege to serve you."

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM -- ECCLESIASTES

A reminder of our Bible Study Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 on **Zoom**. Pastor Glenn is leading a study on Ecclesiastes. Contact Pastor Glenn with your email address and you will receive the Zoom meeting link in advance each week. Those some distance away are welcome to take part.

FOOD DRIVE -- REMEMBER THOSE WHO ARE LESS FORTUNATE

Thank you to all who contributed. An additional 135 pounds of our contributions delivered to FOOD for OTHERS this week! 128 pounds was taken December 22. We are leaving the box in the foyer. You also may arrange with the Drydens to drop off items at the parsonage. Needs in our area are great. A reminder that non-perishable food items and/or personal care items are a great help. FOOD for OTHERS has provided a list of "most-needed" items: Canned Chili, Canned Chicken, Canned Fruit, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Soup.

MISSIONS-MINDED

Home Missions – Food for Others - 2938 Prosperity Avenue

Food for Others is a 501(c)(3) organization, working to help those in Northern Virginia who are food insecure. Its mission is to distribute food to neighbors in need by mobilizing a giving community and volunteers.

From the [Food for Others website](#): In our nation's capital area, the high cost of living forces many families who are struggling to make ends meet to choose between spending money for food, or on other basic needs such as housing and healthcare. Since 1995, Food for Others has been helping many of these families.

Food for Others is an important part of Northern Virginia's safety net for those needing food when an emergency strikes and for the growing number of working poor who need to supplement their inadequate food supplies.

Food for Others obtains much of its food through food rescue operations and food drives. Staff and volunteers pick up good food that would have been discarded by local grocery stores and other retail food establishments. The food is brought to the warehouse for temporary storage, including refrigeration as appropriate. Food drives provide the majority of our non-perishable food.

SOUL FOOD SATURDAY ZOOM EVENT

10 AM THIS COMING SATURDAY, JANUARY 16

The Zoom Meeting Link, ID and Password will be sent. Email cj2658068@gmail.com or call at 202-718-7042 to be sure you are on the distribution list for the Zoom Meeting link. Please download the Zoom app in advance of the meeting time.

TIME OF FASTING AND PRAYER

Biblical fasting partnered with prayer aligns us with God's will for our lives. The three-week church-wide fast this month is a time to pull away from some of the distractions of our daily lives and intentionally call upon our Lord. The choice to participate and for how long is a personal decision between you and God. The Daniel Fast is a suggestion; fast as you are able. The emphasis is prayer for yourself and for the congregation. See one of our ministry leaders for specific details about the Daniel fast.

THOUGHT:

"God's purpose is triumphing in spite of all that seems to be wrong. God is in human history, working His will by a divine method. We know that the future is in God's care." -William Graham Scroogie

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

A reminder that items are collected throughout the year. Each month items designated will be noted here in the church bulletin. Place items in the Operation Christmas Child collection basket in the foyer. You also may arrange with the Drydens to drop off items at the parsonage. Our hope is to increase the number of boxes from our congregation. A packing party is planned for late October (2021). Those who have been packing at home are encouraged to continue doing so!

For January: Small Stuffed Animals, Small Dolls, Small Hard Balls

SCRIPTURE:

So be careful how you live.

Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise.

Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.

Ephesians 5:15-16 NLT

“There is a moving and true story of a little girl whose parents were unhappily married and were going through a period of temporary separation. Although the parents had lost their affection for each other, their love for their young daughter, their only child, was strong and deep. One day, as the little girl was playing in the street, she was knocked down by a car and seriously injured. Rushed to the hospital, she was examined by several doctors who soon realized there was nothing they could do for her.

“The parents hurried to the hospital and stood, one on either side of the bed, looking down helplessly at the daughter they loved so dearly. As they were standing there, the child's eyes suddenly opened and, seeing her father and mother leaning over her, she tried to greet them with smile. For a few moments she lay quite still, then, pulling her arms out from underneath the blanket, she held them out to her parents. They both put one hand in hers and slowly she drew them together. Within minutes she was gone. Following the little girl's tragic death, the parents were fully reconciled to each other and within a few years had another child – a beautiful son.

“What a picture this is of what Christ did for us on the cross. All illustrations of what God has done for us in Christ are inadequate and imperfect, but this one serves to make the point that on the cross our Saviour took the hand of sinful man and placed it in the hand of a loving heavenly Father. At Calvary our wonderful Saviour reconciled us to God.”

Selwyn Hughes, “Every Day with Jesus” Daily Devotional (Surrey, UK: Crusade for World Revival, 2007), March / April 2007, April 22, 2008.

II Corinthians 5:17-21 KJV

¹⁷ Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

¹⁸ And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

¹⁹ To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

²⁰ Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

²¹ For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

When death, the great reconciler, has come, it is never our tenderness that we repent of, but our severity.

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