

Small Groups!**Youth Ministry**

For grades 7-12, Sunday nights from 5-7. Studying Nehemiah, led by Dan McGill. Meeting at either the Langevin's (on Aukamm) or at the church. Confirm weekly location with Rhoda (rmmcgill26@gmail.com).

All Comers Bible Study

#Doctrine – A Study of the Westminster Confession of Faith. Beginning October 21 and meeting Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 at the church. Led by Phil. Please RSVP at pngelston@gmail.com.

Women's Book Study

"If God is Good: Faith in the Midst of Suffering and Evil" by Randy Alcorn. Led by Tina Neumann. Beginning Monday, October 5th at 7:30 pm. Meeting either at Tina's home in Wiesbaden or at the church (depending on the number of RSVP's). RSVP with Tina: h2c.allein@gmail.com .

Women's Fellowship

Beginning October 22, Meeting Thursday Mornings from 10-12 at the Gelston's in Naurod. Come for fellowship, a brief devotional, coffee, tea & sweets. Please RSVP.

Call to Worship:

1 Samuel 7:5-12

Singing: *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing #457*

1. Come Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.
Keep me ever trusting, resting, fill me with Thy grace

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading: God, Our Only Refuge, Is In Absolute Control

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. *Selah*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;

he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*

Prayers of Repentance

Offertory and Singing: *Before the Throne of God Above*

1. Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is "Love," Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands, No tongue can bid me thence depart.
No tongue can bid me thence depart.
2. When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end to all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free;
For God, the Just, is satisfied, To look on him and pardon me.
To look on him and pardon me.

3. Behold him there! the risen Lamb, My perfect, spotless Righteousness
The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!
One with Himself I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God
With Christ, my Savior and my God

Prayer of Petition

Sermon: What We're Up Against

Ephesians 6:10-13

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. **11** Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. **13** Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

I. Finally, Be Strong in the Lord...

II. For We Do Not Wrestle Against Flesh and Blood

All evil is part of a larger satanic administration. As Christians, this knowledge must inform

- The way we think about and deal with our own sin
- The way we think about and deal with sin in others
- The way we think about and deal with sin in the world

Singing: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* #92

1. A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood, Of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient foe, Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His name, From age to age the same, And He must win the battle.

3. And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us:
The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, For lo, his doom is sure, One little word shall fell him.

4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also.
The body they may kill; God's truth abideth still. His kingdom is forever.

Benediction

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