

Sermon Notes

Acts: the Gospel Unhindered

“The Stephen Saga: Stephen Murdered” (Acts 7:54-8:4)

Main Point: God works through suffering to accomplish His purposes.

1. God reveals His glory through the death of His servant (7:54-60)

2. God expands His church through the persecution of His people (8:1-4)

Essential Application: develop a theology of suffering.



The Stephen Saga: Stephen Murdered

**Sunday
Worship Service
10:15 a.m.**

**Wednesday
Midweek Service
6:30 p.m.**

If you are visiting today, we encourage you to fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering box.

Welcome & Call to Worship

Pastor Wescott
Romans 8:28-31

Worship & Praise

Dan Schwartz
When Trials Come
My Hope Is Built

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

He Will Hold Me Fast
Give Me Jesus

Pastoral Prayer

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Sermon

Eric Belz

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Closing Song & Benediction

It Is Well with My Soul

Hebrews 13:20-21

Weekly Bible Studies

Tuesday | 10:00 am | Women’s Bible study | **Summer Break**
Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Midweek Service | 5/22 – Family Fun Night
Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Agents of Truth (kids 2 years to 5th grade)
Wednesday | 6:30 pm | Youth Group (6th-12th grade)

Guest Preacher – Eric Belz

This Sunday we have the privilege of welcoming our very own missionary Eric Belz, to the pulpit to bring the Word of God to us.

Eric is actively involved in training pastors and leaders in Africa through Reach Global. His work is crucial not only for the health of these individual leaders and their families (the majority of whom have never received any formal Bible training), but also their churches and the movement of the Gospel throughout Africa and beyond.

If you would like to find out more about Eric’s ministry, be sure to talk with him after the service! You can also visit his website where he posts regularly about his life and trips: belzglobal.com/ministry.

Family Fun Night – May 22

Our final midweek service and last Family Fun Night before the summer break will be this **Wednesday, May 22 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Join us as we praise God for His faithfulness, express our gratitude to all who have served, and enjoy some delicious desserts. Please bring a plate of goodies to share. Ice-cream sundaes will be provided.

Senior Potluck – May 25

Our next Senior Potluck (55+) will be held this **Saturday, May 25 from 5 to 7 p.m.** Sign-up in the foyer today!

LCF Softball Team

If you’re interested in playing on (or supporting!) the LCF softball team, please speak with Alex Jones. Games are on Thursday nights, starting June 6.



Assisted hearing units are available for those who have difficulty hearing the service. Please see one of the ushers for the device.

May Goal \$ 22,000
May Giving \$ 12,572
May balance needed \$ 9,428

	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Preschool</u>	<u>K-3rd Grade</u>
Today:	Chery B. & Kim M.	Melody S. & Helper	Don & Jane S.
May 26:	Brennan & Nikki P.	Julie G. & Bailey M.	FAMILY SUNDAY
May Greeters:	Jim K. & Todd S.		
May Security:	Clayton P.		