

St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

November 14, 2024

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

11/17/2024

Week 4 of 5 week series "Things Jesus Never Said"

Lead Pastor J.R. Virgin

Will present the sermon

Keep It To Yourself

8:45 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary) and 11:00 a.m. Modern Service (Berly)

Preaching Pastor Len Kircher

Keep It To Yourself

11:15 a.m. (Sanctuary) – Traditional Service

For information about Sunday Worship Service go to the website page

<https://spwmethodist.org/sunday-worship-services/>.

The 8:45 am and 11:00 am services will be live streamed via the church's YouTube channel.

The link to our YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2_rB7vyTH5FmKjYMKILTSg

You can only see the livestream from YouTube.

The recorded services for 8:45 am and 11:00 am will be available on our Sermons webpage

<http://spwmethodist.org/sermons/> following each Service as well as on

YouTube. They will be shared with the church Facebook friends later.

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:13-16 (NIV)

13 "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Message From Pastor JR

This week we learned that Jesus never said, "It's easy to enter the Kingdom." He actually said quite the contrary. It is difficult to enter the Kingdom. He said that it would be easier for a camel to go through the eye of the needle than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. For many years, this statement by Jesus was concerning to me. In my mind it would be impossible for a camel to go through the eye of the needle. The problem is that I didn't understand the scripture in its context. Rather, I was interpreting it in my modern understanding. The eye of the needle to the Disciples meant something much different than it means to us today. The eye of the needle was a small opening in the wall of city, particularly Jerusalem in Jesus teaching to the Disciples. While the opening was small, it was certainly large enough for a camel to get through. But getting the camel through took some effort. Typically, the camel would have to be unloaded to fit through eye of the needle. Even unloaded it would have been a very tight fit. Jesus is teaching the Disciples that it's not impossible to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but it certainly requires us to let go of the things of the world. Jesus must be at the very top of our priority list at all times. If anything is above Jesus, then that thing becomes our object of worship. If we want to enter the Kingdom of God, it will require our willingness to put Jesus above everything else in our lives.

The Best of All Is...God Is With Us!

Pastor J.R.

New Members Class

I will be starting a new members class soon. If you are interested in taking this class, please email the office at: office@spwmethodist.org or call 843-237-2294.

Thank you,
Pastor JR

Video Series

(Except on Thanksgiving)

Thursdays at 11:00am in the Sanctuary – December 19

The Passion Talk Series' LOUIE GIGLIO: THE ESSENTIAL COLLECTION' includes the bestselling talks 'Indescribable,' 'How Great Is Our God,' 'Hope: when Life Hurts Most', 'Fruitcake and Ice Cream', 'Symphony (I Lift My Hands),' and 'The Twelve Words of Christmas.

About Louie Giglio and Passion City Church Resources

The Passion Talk Series features hours of compelling content from Passion Founder, Louie Giglio. The collection of talks has been experienced by millions around the world, and each talk tells a meaningful story of God's goodness, grace & love. This series includes six full length talks which will inspire, encourage & speak to God's grace & truth.

These messages are being used by small groups, life groups, and churches, as well as among friends & family members around the world. Many have been impacted by the stories, images and powerful messages captured in each of the talks.

The Passion Movement and the messages of founder Louie Giglio have marked the lives of millions of people around the globe, calling people everywhere to live for the glory of God. Focused on the collegiate age group - yet spilling over to people of all ages - Passion exists to unite students for spiritual awakening in this generation. From its inception, the movement of Passion has birthed new anthems of worship, influencing countless churches and helping to define the current worship climate and establish artists Chris Tomlin, David Crowder*Band, Charlie Hall, Matt Redman, Christy Nockels, Kristian Stanfill and others. Louie is the pastor and founder of Passion City Church in Atlanta, GA.

Video Series Thursday, November 21, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary: Louie Giglio "Hope: When Life Hurts Most"

Weekly Bible Reading:

November 17-Proverbs 28:22-28; Ezekiel 33-34; 1 John 1:5 – 2:2

November 18-Proverbs 29:1-6; Ezekiel 35-36; 1 John 2:3-11

November 19-Proverbs 29:7-11; Ezekiel 37-38; 1 John 2:12-17

November 20-Proverbs 29:12-16; Ezekiel 39-40; 1 John 2:18-29

November 21-Proverbs 29:17-21; Ezekiel 41-42; 1 John 3:1-10

November 22-Proverbs 29:22-27; Ezekiel 43-44; 1 John 3:11-24

November 23—Proverbs 30:1-6; Ezekiel 45-46; 1 John 4:1-6

Our Faithfulness Sunday, November 10, 2024

8:45 Service 165; on line viewers 117 (as of 11/13/24); 11:00 Service 122; on line viewers 129 (as of 11/13/24); 11:15 Service 47; Sunday School 82

The Sunday School Classes will meet November 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTE: The Friendship Class, Youth Building, New Sunday School class called the Truth Seekers, Discovery Classroom.

Thanksgiving Food Drive for Baskervill Food Pantry, Sunday, November 17 and 24

Thanksgiving, a time when we typically give thanks for our bountiful blessings, will be tough for many this year. Yes, it will be challenging for those still recovering from the impacts of the hurricane season. But it is also difficult for those right here in our community.

Please help us fight hunger by bringing non-perishable food items to church on November 17 and 24. Your donations will help fill Thanksgiving dinner boxes for those less fortunate in our community. To give you an idea of how great the need is, food distribution by the Pantry in October fed 599 families (1,613 people)!

Items needed:

Package of stuffing

Canned vegetables: yams, green beans, carrots, potatoes, bean

Canned cranberry sauce

Canned turkey gravy

Instant mashed potatoes/rice

Box macaroni and cheese

Box cornbread/biscuit mix

Jello or pudding

Pie crust/fruit filling

Cake mix/frosting

Polar Express Movie

December 15, 2024, 12:15 p.m., Youth Building. There will be dinner and crafts. Please bring your own family blanket and join us. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Carson: pamc30215@yahoo.com

Staff Love Offering

If you would like to contribute to the staff Christmas love offering, you can place it in the offering plate over the next few Sundays. Just be sure to mark it as Staff Love Offering. Or you can send the money into the office, please make sure it is clearly marked as the Christmas Love Offering. To make a donation through e-Giving, select "love offering" from the designated funds list.

*Deadline is **December 6, 2024**. Thank you*

NOTE: Please turn off coffee pots, lights and make sure doors are locked when you leave the building.

Need Communion Servers for 8:45 a.m.

Communion Servers are needed at the 8:45 a.m. service. If you are able to serve, please contact Jan Finnical at 843-315-4063 or email: janfinnical@gmail.com. Thank you!

Need Greeter's for all Church services. If you are interested in becoming a Greeter, please see Alisa Chapella or call or text her at 803-960-2791.

Name Tags

If you ordered a new name tag, please pick up yours this coming Sunday at the 8:45 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service. If you did not order a name tag, and would like one, please fill out the little sign up sheet that will be provided on the table near the name tags and place it in the offering plate. **A Big Thank You to Juanita Matos for printing the Name Tags!!**

Our Little Garden Child Care

Our Little Garden Child Care at the early service will be open upon request or your child can sit with you in the service. Please notify one of the ushers. We are excited to nurture your little one's faith with God's love. If you would like to volunteer helping in the Nursery, please let Pam Carson know.

Church Website Update

We are in the process of updating our church website and repairing links which are not working. Also, if you have any suggestions for our web site or you notice pages which need to be updated, please contact Fred Harris at 856-381-5951 or fharris39@gmail.com

Thank you so much,
Fred Harris

LIVE STREAMING AVAILABLE

Reminder that live streaming of our services are available on YouTube especially during inclement weather.

Decals

If you need to replace your decal because it is fading, please stop by the Church Office and we will give you a replacement.

Counseling: on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10am-1pm, there will be a counselor available by appointment. If you are in need of someone to talk with, this is a great opportunity to speak with an accredited professional, free of charge. Please contact Fran Keller at 843-833-3980 with any questions or to schedule an appointment.

Church Flower Calendar for 2024-2025

You can email the office or call the office to start signing up for the Church Flower Calendar for 2024. This is a good way to honor someone, celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc. on Sunday mornings.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

REMINDER – This **Sunday, November 17th**, is the last Sunday to return your filled Operation Christmas Child Box. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. The SPW Methodist Women greatly appreciate the support from the congregation for supporting this mission.

Building a Walkway Brick by Brick Project

The walkway will be called "**We Walk by Faith**"

The Church is now undertaking the building of a memorial brick walkway to the site of the Jesus, The Teacher Statue and Flower Garden.

We need your help!

We are asking you to support us and purchase a beautifully engraved grey brick to pave the way to the statue and garden.

Dedicate your personalized brick to honor or memorialize loved ones. The bricks will be placed in the walkway as a lifetime reminder that will be seen by current and future members of the Church.

Dave & Juanita Matos will be in Berly Hall during the Sunday School hour to help anyone in need of assistance filing out the Order Form or in need of additional information about the project. Please make sure your email address is on the order form so that you can receive the virtual brick illustration.

Bible Studies:

Monday Bible Study on Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans, Discovery Classroom, 6:00 p.m. Led by Thomas Gulledge. Please email the church office at office@spwmethodist.org if you would like to sign up or email Thomas Gulledge at Thomas.gulledge@spectralSC.com. *They meet every other week: November 18, December 2, December 16.*

The Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Youth Building. Led by Bruce Stelow.

Thursday Bible Study on Philippians, Youth Building at 10:00 a.m. Led by Gay Kelly.

Mary & Martha Class, meet every Wednesday, Youth Building, 10:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Church Council, Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 2:00 p.m., Youth Building.

Trustee meeting, Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 5:00 p.m., Youth Building.

Golf Meeting, Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 9:30 a.m., Berly Hall.

Video Series, Louie Giglio “Hope: When Life Hurts Most”, Thursday, November 21, 2024, 11:00 a.m., Berly Hall.

Thanksgiving Cover Dish, Thursday, November 28, 2024, 1:00 p.m., Berly Hall.

Polar Express Movie, Friday, December 15, 2024, 12:15 p.m., Youth Building.

New class , Wesleyan Way towards Wholeness, will begin on Tuesdays at 6 pm beginning January 7, 2025, Youth Building For 8 weeks.

If you are interested in a New Year of improved physical, mental, and spiritual health, join us as we journey on the way to improved health and relationship with God. This is Rick Warren's Daniel Plan with adaptations for Methodists. Keep those New Year's Resolutions with a spiritual focus. Class leader Victory Smith. Please email Victory at drrommel@gmail.com if you are interested or have any questions.

Course mission statement

Mark 12:29

Week one small group

Matt 18:20

Bring your favorite Bible verse

Your prayer concerns

And a 3 ring binder

Intro to Wesley's concept of classes

Meet class members

Complete a personal inventory (will not be shared with class)

Discuss mission project

Instruction on SMART goal

Pick up journal

Daniel plan friends

Week 2

Faith

Week 3

Focus

Week 4

Food Water

Week 5

Fasting

Week 6

Shalom. The peace of rest

Week 7

Fitness

Week 8

Living the lifestyle

Chancel Choir Practice

Chancel Choir meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Handbells meet Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.

Students in the Word

Students in the Word meet 7:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m., Mon. – Thursday (old Friendship & wings classrooms) and Friday in the Youth Building.

AA

AA meets Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.

District 82 AA, every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.

Please let me know if I need to remove, change, or add to the following Prayer, Birthday or Anniversary list. Also, if you have a meeting coming up or an event or event article that needs to go in the newsletter, please email me at the

Church Office: office@spwmethodist.org

Thank you, Alice

Prayer Concerns/Church Family & Friends

Susan Walters

Josie Shehane

Marion Parsons

Eva Baxter

Mark Lange

Linda Chevine

Yvonne Moran

Dan Wetsel

Bob Maffa

Jann Bullock

Herb Herrman

Jan Estabrook

Liz Dallago (Bob Lawrence's daughter)

Cindy Munn (Pat Terrill's daughter Mark Merolla (Leslie Hare's friend)

April (Rachel Shumaker's great great niece)
Diane and Jim Casto (friends of Leslie Hare)
Allie Johnson (Age 7, 2 types of leukemia)
Sheila Baxter (daughter in law of Eva Baxter)
Ann Sarver
Dottie Wright
Ryan Heck (a friend of Betty & Henry Jobe)
Rosemary Beaver (a friend of Keri Geddings)
Ashley Calhoun (Karen Calhoun's nephew's wife)
Corky & Mary Raab (friends of Betty Jobe)
George Schmidt (Colleen Welch's dad)
Sandy Lowder (a friend of Alice Cochran)
Anne Miller (a friend of Phillip and Peggy Cusick)
Linda Boswell (Sandy Thompson's sister)
Billy McGill (son of Carolyn McGill)
Michael Williams (Nancy Hall's son)
Corby & Brian Kennison (friends of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Rick Bruce (a friend of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
A friend of – did not want to name (Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Jerry Payne (Susan) Marie Beaver (Carl) Jim Richardson (Betsy) (friends of Jon Stuckey)
Denise (a friend of Harriet and David Moore)
Tina Licari (a friend of James & Leslie Hare)
Vicki Medlin (a cousin of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Stephen Johnston (son of Ron & Ruth Johnston)
Sue Hawkins (a friend of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Roxanna Earp (daughter of Nancy Wetsel)
Tracy (a friend of Leslie Hare)
Marnie Heck (a friend of Henry & Betty Jobe)
Robert "Bobby" Nave (James & Leslie Hare's cousin)
Garvin Gilley
Johanna Morrison
Tina Kolb (a close friend of James & Leslie Hare)
Diana (a friend of John & Nancy Hall)
Eva (a friend of Janis & Mark Lange; missing)
Dan Litton (a friend of JD Whitmire)
Carolee Bryant
George Leyendecker's sister
Sarah Wilson (Jan Estabrook's friend)
Sue Panos
Ofelia and Jorge Beltran (friends with JD and Sandi Whitmire)
Kerry Lennard (friend of Keith Black)
Milia Black (Keith Black's mother)
Judy Ellis

November Birthdays

Stacey Black Thompson	11/03
Gerald Rolfsmeyer	11/04
Phillip Cusick	11/05
Jo Anne Flyte	11/06
Carolee (Lee) Bryant	11/10
Anne Marie Hoyle	11/15
Jon Stuckey	11/17
Susie Swatzel	11/17
Jim Schmidt	11/19
Ann Mickle	11/20
Karen Sinkway	11/22
James Richardson	11/23
Dave Gustafson	11/24
Titi Greene	11/25
Mickey McDowell	11/26
Colleen Welch	11/26
Janell Lerche	11/27
Bill Alexander	11/28
R. Tucker Dieter	11/28
Ronald Johnston	11/28
Sarah Cook	11/29
Fred Hutcheson	11/29
Judy Mort	11/29

November Anniversaries

John & Rachel Shumaker	11/05
Fred & Cheryl Harris	11/06
Bill & Wendy Eisenhauer	11/19
Scott & Peggy Homan	11/28
Marshall & Nancy Truluck	11/30

