October ANNOUNCEMENTS, REMINDERS Sunday AND EVENTS

Sunday School classes begin today -- plan on staying after worship service for a class with Pastor Jim for the adults and classes for the kids.

Women's Fellowship -- Tuesday, October 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the church.

BGCC Cookbooks are here! They are available for a donation to the youth to help support their Compassion International child.

Altar Flowers are provided by Sherry McNees in memory of her husband, Mike.

Small Groups -- are organizing for the fall. Check your bulletin insert for days and locations. The Thursday afternoon group is also available via Zoom and Facebook -- see Pastor Dave for details.

Hayride/Bonfire -- Saturday, October 17, 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Erwins.

Council Meeting: October 18 following Sunday school classes.

Card Shower-- Eloise Franke's 90th birthday is November 4. Please consider sending her a birthday card at 557 Slisher Road, Bronson, MI 49028



Offering -- plates are in the lobby. Donations can be made online by going to <u>bethelgilead.org</u> (Donate tab), or by scanning the QR code to the left. You can also authorize a monthly debit from your bank account by completing a form in the lobby and turnng it in with a voided check.

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"We honor God through regularly assembling together to worship Him as Lord, study and obey His word, and attend to the needs of His people. When we leave, we go out commissioned as Christ's representatives to a needy world."

Order of Worship

Communion Songs:

Jim Erwin/Mary Butters

Hymn 186The Old Rugged Cross, verses 1,2 and 4Hymn 185When I Survey the Wondrous CrossHymn 180Worthy is the Lamb That Was Slain

Message:

Handle With Care 2020 Hot Potatoes

Introduction: The Corona Crisis

I. <u>A Divine Memorandum</u>

.....We are but dust (<u>Psalm 103:14</u>) The Corona Crisis = An Existential Crisis: Struggling with our own mortality Sin --> Sickness, suffering and death (<u>Romans 5:12, Ezekiel 18:4, Romans 6:23</u>)

II. Personal Autonomy and the Will of God

*My days are numbered (<u>*Psalm 31:15: 139:16*</u>) *More things control me than I have control of! *God can work together for good in all things (<u>*Romans 8:28*</u>)

III. Wellness and The Divine Design

*Your amazing immune system! I am fearfully and wonderfully made. (*Psalm 139:14*) *The invisible mask = boosting your immunity (Dr. Jockers -- handout)

IV. "Testing One, Two, Three"

*The testing of your faith produces perseverance....(<u>James 1:3, Romans 5:3</u>) *"What you believe influences how you behave" *Risk and rewards: "What you risk reveals what you value"

Application

Knowledge puffs up but love builds up (<u>1 Corinthians 8:1</u>) Though I have all knowledge....without love I am nothing (<u>1 Corinthians 13:2</u>) The only thing that matters is faith expressing itself in love. (<u>Galatians 5:6</u>) What has the Corona Crisis revealed to you about.....

- 1. The vitality of your faith? (Isaiah 7:9, Hebrews 1:6)
- 2. The condition of your heart? (1 Samuel 16:7, Matthew 15:19, Romans 14:1)
- 3. The true purpose of your life on earth? (Matthew 5:16)

Live the Life with Prayer

Recent additions

Keith McGuire -- Coronavirus The family of Rick Wilcox Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, battling infection after transplant

<u>Praises</u>

Quinn Alece Dules -- born to Chance and Kylei Dules on August 20. Byler family - recovered from Corona Virus

Continue to Remember Those in Need

Jennie deAraujo's cousin's son, Nate, battling infection after transplant Ron Will -- being fitted for a glass eye lay Brinkman -- brain tumor Steve Byler's sister, loyce - cancer Dan Minard -- Dave's brother, pancreatic cancer Sharon Shyrigh -- kidney concerns Kathy Will's sister, Chris -- heart problems Charlie Nussbaum -- 7 year old with brain tumor Frank Cabrera's brother - Tito, cirrhosis of liver Melissa Houtz's cousin, Holly Haynes Lamb -- colon cancer Diane Dudley's brother, Doug, -- lung cancer Sarah Jane Fair - back and hip pain lim Wickey -- several health issues Neil Hannah -- heart and lung issues Kristi Long's dad -- prostate cancer Arwen Mallay -- twelve-year-old being treated for stage 4 neuroblastoma

Remember Our Homebound/Shut In Members

Norita Skinner -- Maple Lawn Shirley Bogen -- Drew's Place Eric Smotherman -- COPD

Pray for our nation during these uncertain days

Closing Song: Hymn 335 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus



The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suffering and shame, And I love that old cross where the Dearest and Best For a world of lost sinners was slain.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

Oh, that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above, To bear it to dark Calvary.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true; Its shame and reproach gladly bear; Then He'll call me someday to my home far away, Where His glory forever I'll share.

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them through his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain Worthy is the Lamb that was slain Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive:Power and riches and wisdom and strength Honor and glory and blessing! Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb that was slain Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace.