



Living Faith
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Sunday, August 2, 2020

Uprooting Trouble

Joshua 7:1-26

Prayer Requests

- **Lynn Hizer** ~ healing
- **Terry Smith's sister-in-law Jamie** ~ healing
- **Joanne Raterman** ~ continued healing
- **All who are feeling isolated and lonely**
- **Bishop Ruben Saenz, Jr.** for his leadership and for modeling life in Christ
- **Transition for LF & All UMC's**
- **Protection from viruses and illnesses going around**
- **Shirley Morris** ~ healing, encouragement
- **Larry & Karen Lakeman** ~ healing & encouragement
- **Donna Chaney** ~ health & strength
- **Gloria Peterson** ~ health
- **Wava Jean Carl** ~ strength
- **Our nation, our leaders** ~ wisdom and discernment
- **Vernon Thomsen** ~ health, pain management
- **Elderly, shut ins**
- **Adeng , Annie, Julie Kristin, and Renson Michael Chen**
- **Pray for Marriages, Families, Relationships**
- **LFUMC, and all of God's churches**

There are clip boards with activities & colors for the children on the table as you walk into the Worship Center. Please feel free to grab one on your way into Worship!

From The Pastor

THE GIFT OF GOD

“For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast.” Ephesians 2:8,9 NRSV

“Salvation is free”. Maybe you are already familiar with this statement. It means you don’t need to pay or do something to obtain salvation. Paul wrote this letter to those believers living in Ephesus sharing with them the riches of God’s grace. “In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace” (1:7). Salvation is a Christian term and a basic doctrine studied by Systematic Theology as well. Yet, the experience of being saved is beyond words or theological terminology. When you become saved by faith in Jesus, and as God’s loving grace expression, your soul starts experiences God’s presence through a closer relationship by faith in Jesus. It is the New Birth moment and you become a new creation by the Holy Spirit power. Salvation is the way God works a transformation of one’s heart. It is supernatural process by which one receives the forgiveness of sins and the blessed assurance of redemption. As John Wesley wrote in his Journal about the Aldersgate Street experience that night on May 24, 1738, “an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death.” What he meant is how assurance of salvation has two main points: One is the forgiveness of sins, but also the freedom from law of sin and death.

Paul also states his doctrine of salvation by grace and through faith in Jesus Christ. He is pointing out that salvation is the gift of God offered to those who believe in Jesus. “For by grace you have been saved through faith,” he affirms in this passage. How, then, a person can be saved? Only by the grace of God, and through faith in Christ, a person can receive it. When the jailer at the prison in Philippi, where Paul and Silas were put in, asked them, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They replied, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.” (Acts 16:30-31). It is the only way human beings can be saved of their sins. Jesus Christ is the only one can save you from all your sins. Why only through him? Because “There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

Apostle Paul’s emphasis is on God’s grace, not on human works. As we may read on the text above, “It is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast.” Salvation of sins is a gift of God and we can do nothing to deserve it or receive it. It is not the result of working to earn it. There is no place for boasting about how we gain eternal life. In fact, because of mankind’s spiritual condition before coming to Jesus to receive salvation by faith through him we cannot work for our own salvation. We “were dead through the trespasses and sins, in which you once lived, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient.” (Ephesians 2:1-2). Therefore, beloved, according to the Scriptures, the way of Salvation is by grace alone, and just through faith in Jesus. I pray that all of us here at Living Faith UMC have already received the gift of God in the biblical way, not just through religious practices. When we all become fully aware on God’s way of salvation, we will have the blessed assurance only Jesus can bring within our heart. Thus, we all can sing and proclaim with joyful hearts, “It is well with my soul.”

Pastor Jaime

REQUIREMENTS FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

During Covid-19

1. MUST WEAR MASKS ~ AVAILABLE IF NEEDED
2. CHILDREN REMAIN WITH FAMILY
3. ENTER/EXIT MAIN DOOR ONLY
4. USHERS WILL SEAT & DISMISS CONGREGANTS BY ROWS
5. BIBLES NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
6. TITHES & OFFERINGS IN DESIGNATED BOX IN LOBBY
7. BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SHEETS WILL BE PLACED AT SEATING AREAS
(Please place attendance sheets in box in the lobby.)
8. NO SINGING BY CONGREGANTS

FOR FULL PLAN SEE ATTACHED RETURN TO CORPORATE WORSHIP PLAN

COVID-19 INFORMATION

VOLUNTARY SELF QUARANTINE

In general, you need to have been in close contact with a person who has a confirmed case of COVID-19 to be at risk of getting the virus. If you have been in close contact with a person who has COVID-19, you may be asked to "voluntarily self-quarantine" for 14 days after last contact. This means you stay home as much as you can so you lower the risk of other people getting COVID-19 in case you have it. This means that you should do all of the things listed below.



1. Do not go to work or school and avoid all public places



2. If you must go out in public, do not use public transportation (bus, taxi, ride-share services)



3. Separate yourself from other people in your home and stay in one specific room



4. If you can, use a separate bathroom



5. Clean your hands often by washing with soap and water for 20 seconds



6. Seek medical help right away if your symptoms get worse and call ahead before going to the clinic



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Who is at higher risk?



Older adults



People who
have serious
chronic medical
conditions

Heart Disease
Diabetes
Lung Disease



Supplies to have at home:

- Necessary medication – ask healthcare provider about obtaining extra
 - If extra is not possible – consider using mail order
- Be sure to have over the counter medicines and medical supplies to treat fever and other symptoms
- Have enough household items and groceries on hand
 - Grocery stores with 'at-risk' hours
 - Consider ways of getting food brought to your house



Everyday Precautions

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - If soap and water is not available – use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching high touch surfaces in public places (elevator buttons, door handles, handrails, handshaking, etc)
- Avoid touching your face, nose, eyes, etc.
- Clean and disinfect your home to remove germs
- Stay home as much as possible



Symptoms and emergency warning signs:

- Pay attention to COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, and shortness of breath)
- Emergency warning signs:
 - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - Persistent pain or pressure in chest
 - New confusion or inability to arouse
 - Bluish lips or face



If you get sick

- Stay home and call your doctor
- Consult with your health care provider for more information
- Stay in touch with others by phone or email
- Determine who can care for you if your caregiver gets sick
- Know when to get emergency help

Need more information?

Douglas County Health Department
COVID-19 Information Line
(402) 444-3400
www.douglascountyhealth.com

United Way
Resource Hotline
211

Nebraska Department of Health and
Human Services Information Line
(402) 552-6645

Scripture and Sermon Titles

You are invited to read the Scriptures prior to Worship Services.

Sunday, August 2

Uprooting Trouble

Joshua 7:1-26

Sunday, August 16

Covenant Renewal

Joshua 24:1-27

Sunday, August 9

Day Of Victory

Joshua 10:1-15

***We are returning to in-person meetings ~ see schedule below
(Zoom will be available for every meeting)***

A Look Ahead

Aug 3 ~ Prayer Team Meeting ~ via Zoom 7:00 p.m.

Aug 4 ~ Worship Team Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Aug 11 ~ Finance Team Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Aug 15 ~ Scout Eagle Scout Project ~ FH 9-4 p.m.

Aug 18 ~ Church Council 7:00 p.m. ~ Everyone is welcome!

Aug 23 ~ Youth Sunday

Sept 4 ~ Ring Facility Rental

Sept 8 ~ del PEO

Sept 20 ~ Back to Church Sunday

Cleaning Teams will move to cleaning every other week as we are not having as many classes & people in the building at this time.

OUR MISSION

To make disciples for Jesus Christ
to transform the world

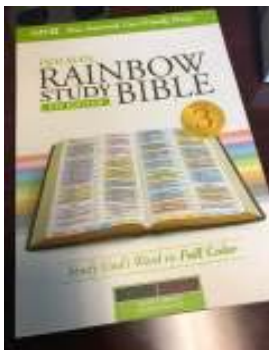
OUR VISION

- 1) To be disciples for Christ
- 2) To bring others to Christ

OUR GOALS

- 1) Become & remain Spiritually Strong
 - a) Attend Worship Regularly
 - b) Be Part of a small group
 - c) Pray faithfully
- 2) Share God with our Community & the world
 - a) Mission Shares
 - b) Service to others
 - c) Reaching out
- 3) Interact with The Holy Bible Daily
 - a) Educate & guide our children & youth
 - b) Christian Education for all ages

We had a very nice bible donated to the church. We would like to give it to someone who needs one. If you would like it please contact Tracy in the Office. 402-393-2321



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