

SLCRC MIDWEEK

October 27, 2021

Living Triumphantly

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake for they were fishermen. "Come follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed him. – Mathew 4:18-20

When studying Peter's life, believers often focus on his mistakes, the doubt that nearly drowned him when he walked on water, and his rebuke and denial of Jesus. But Peter is also an example of triumphant living.

An uneducated fisherman who likely had few other skills, Peter put down his nets and followed Jesus the instant he was asked. He was the first to acknowledge Christ as the Son of God. And after the Lord's resurrection, Peter leapt into the water and swam to shore when he noticed His Savior waiting there. The disciple's devotion cannot be questioned.

Peter is both an inspiration and a comfort for believers today. God does not choose servants who are solid rocks with no cracks or crevices, he looks for believers who are teachable, willing to repent, and prepared to surrender to God's greater will, in spite of their weaknesses and failures. He looks for folks who are a lot like Peter. Too many Christians have decided how much the Lord can do with them, based on their education, personality or talent. God isn't interested in qualifications. He seeks willing followers who echo Isaiah's call: "Here am I, Send me!" That's triumphant living. – Dr. Charles Stanley

PRAYER CONCERNS

Ruth Sikkenga is at Robbinswood Assisted Living

Henry Sterenberg is living at Lake Woods, 1684 Vulcan, Muskegon, MI 49442

Cheryl Rasinske is at the Harbor House in Jenison and dealing with health issues

Donna Wierenga is at Grand Pines Assisted Living

Donna Gelderman- Donna has dialysis three times a week.

Jeanette Bulthuis –Jeanette is at Robbinswood – Jeanette can have visitors

Dale Carlson – Dale is home and welcomes visitors. He does not have much of an appetite. .

Joyce Langeland – Joyce moved to Grand Pines, at 1410 S. Ferry St. Room C-3, Grand Haven.

Emilee Gruppen – Emilee is at De Vos Children's Hospital with a respiratory illness

WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

Our Worship Service on Sunday, October 31 will be led by Pastor Bruce Ballast. His Scripture is from Romans 8:28-30, his message title is "Does God Overpromise?" This passage tells us that God works everything for our good. How can that be when so many bad things happen? Is this a situation where God over promises and under delivers?

CHURCH CALENDAR

Wednesday, October 27, 2021 – 6 pm Connect – Pizza, fruit, ice cream treats

Thursday, October 28, 2021 – 10 am Hannah Bible Study

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – 10 am Worship Service

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – 11:15 am Congregational Meeting

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – 6 pm Men's Bible Study

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – 6 pm Youth Group

Wednesday, November 3, 2021 – 10 am Outreach Committee Meeting'

Wednesday, November 3, 2021 – Faith Promise Potluck

OFFERING SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 31, 2021 – General Fund and Household Distribution

Sunday, November 7 – General Fund. Benevolence

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting this Sunday, October 31 to approve the recommendation of SLCRC Council to sell the parsonage at 618 Fall Street. It will be held at 11:15 am following Coffee Fellowship Time. Absentee ballots are available on the Literature Table. Fill in your ballot and place it in an envelope and sign your name on the outside of the envelope. Unsigned Absentee ballots that are not in a signed envelope will not be counted.

FAITH PROMISE WEEK

Faith Promise week is October 31 – November 7. Faith Promise Pledge Cards will be handed out Sunday, October 31 as you leave the worship service. You are asked to fill out the cards with your Faith Promise pledge for 2022 and return the cards next Sunday, November 7 when they will be collected, totaled and the pledge announced at the end of the service.

There will be a potluck on Wednesday, November 3 at 6 pm. Bring a dish to pass to serve 10. Table Service and beverage will be provided. Following the potluck children will be excused to attend their classes. Jane Anderson, director of Human Services at Mosaic Counseling will be our guest speaker. We support Mosaic with our Faith Promise offerings.

60 PLUS

60 Plus will meet at church on Friday, November 19 at 1:00 pm. Craig Sytsema will meet with the group to explain what to do when a loved one passes away and answer any questions you may have. Pie and Coffee will be served.

WILD GAME CONTEST

The Wild Game Contest for 2021 has started. The contest is for all members of SLCRC who are successful in shooting a deer or wild game during the hunting season. The list of successful hunters is on the window of the new meeting room off the Fellowship Hall.

HOUSEHOLD DISTRIBUTION

The next Household Distribution is Friday, November 19, at 4:30 pm.. Needed are all soaps, bar, dish and laundry, paper towels, toothpaste, and shampoo. The distribution will start at 4:30 pm. Leave your products at the Supply Room.

KIDS HOPE

Ferrysburg Community Church has invited Spring Lake CRC to join them in mentoring students at Lake Hills Elementary School through the Kids Hope program. If anyone is interested in more information contact Evelyn Holtrop at evlarry@yahoo.com or 842-6548.

2021 THANKSGIVING MEALS

Due to the risk of spreading Covid at large gatherings, Thanksgiving meals will be delivered or you can reserve a meal and drive by in a safe manner again this year. Last year 1100 meals were delivered or picked up. Meal deliveries will begin at 11 am. Curbside pickup will be available from 12-2 pm in the south parking area at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 406 E. Savidge St. Meals must be requested no later than Friday, November 19 by 3 pm. Call 616-842-1702

CLOSING REMARKS: YOU CAN'T HAVE EVERYTHING. Where would you put it.