

This Sunday we begin a new sermon series from the Revised common Lectionary. The sermons series is called “What Christians Do.” Although Christians are often identified by what they believe, Jesus seemed to care more about what his followers did. Faith practices, along with theological beliefs, are crucial to Christianity. These eleven weeks leading to Advent offer an excellent opportunity for us to explore what disciples do: practice generosity, wrestle with God, and take their faith public, to name a few. Eleven weeks is along time for a sermon series, but each of the topics cover essential element of being a disciple of Jesus Christ.

This week we kick off the series talking about the “e” word - evangelism.

Using the parables of the Lost Sheep and Lost Coin from Luke 15:1-10, we will talk about how we “search” for people so they can be found.



Bishop Bledsoe will be preaching on September 22 at both 8:30 and 11:00 Services.



September 15, 2019

CENTRAL TO LIFE



CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

- Sunday School classes meet at 9:45am in rooms 105 (Elementary), 107 (ages 3 & 4), and 301/302 (Youth: 6th - 12th grade)
- Childcare for ages 0-8 is available during worship services and Sunday School – (Located on the Lower Level of the building.)
- Church 4 Kids takes place every Sunday during the second service. This is a time where children 0-Elementary are invited to the Chapel to spend time with one of the clergy to learn more about the scripture lesson of the day in an age-appropriate setting.
- Youth fellowship meets every Sunday from 12:30-2:30pm in the Youth Lounge

Contact Pastor Kelly or Stacey Hawk for more information

ADULT MINISTRIES

- **Sundays:** Sunday School classes meet at 9:45am. Choose from a variety of classes. See the Pew Packets, or visit with the Welcome Desk volunteers for more information.
- **Monday Bible Study: 6:30pm**
- **Clergy Conversations!** 4th Sunday of each month, 9:45-10:45am. The **September 29th** CC will be a **Coffee with the Pastors** for interested new members. Bring your coffee and meet with the pastors in the courtyard.
- **WOW:** Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30am.
Please contact Pastor Kelly for more information.

You are invited to the Life Center for pizza and a movie **Today**, at 12:30pm. The film, Paris to Pittsburg, looks at states, businesses and citizens taking action and delves into the social and economic impact of climate change-fueled disasters coast to coast. The film is directed by National Geographic filmmaker Sidney Beaumont and documentarian Michael Bonfiglio. There will be a short discussion following the film. Sponsored by Central United Methodist Women. Please sign up at the Reception Center if you plan to attend.

On **Sunday, September 22**, our Love Your Neighbor Concert Series returns with singer-songwriter Oscar Butler. Oscar's fun, light, and witty songs delight listeners throughout Albuquerque and Santa Fe. Lunch available after 11:00 service for \$5 per person (Dion's pizza). Sign up at the church office by Sunday, September 15. The concert benefits Helping Hands. For admission, simply bring items that can help those living on our streets (portable non-perishable food, socks, hats, gloves, scarves, lightly used clothing).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

It's Trunk or Treat Time! **Sunday, October 27th 2:00-4:00pm** in the East Parking Lot. Invite friends and family, neighbors and co-workers to this fun event. We will have a concession stand selling hot dogs and chips, a bounce house, and trunks filled with treats and games. Trunk sign-ups will be available at the Welcome Desk in October.

For more information contact Pastor Kelly.

THIRD SPACE MINISTRIES

What is a 3rd Space? 3rd Space refers to places where people gather outside of their homes (1st space) and the workspace (2nd space). Examples of third places would be environments such as coffee shops, breweries, farmers markets, and parks.

- **Starbucks Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 11-12pm
- **Brewery Study:** Wednesdays (new day!), 6pm-8pm.
- **Sabbath in The Suburbs:** Oct.13th @ High & Dry Brewery.

Do you have an idea for a 3rd Space Ministry?
Contact Pastor Kelly.

Have you ever been interested in learning more about the teachings of Paul? Have you ever been interested in traveling to the places Paul wrote letters and traveled to? If so, you are invited to join Rev. Kelly Brooks and Rev. Jim Hawk on an Educational Opportunities Journeys of Paul Cruise taking place **September 7-19th, 2020**. Information is available at the Welcome Desk.

A new book club, associated with the UMW Reading Program, will begin on Wednesday, October 16th at 11:45 am in the Central UMC Conference Room. Our first book selection is "The Same Sky" by Amanda Eyre Ward.

All announcements for the CTL News are due via email to JesusValdez@centraltolife.org by **Monday at 5pm**.



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