

## *“I Believe - Walking with Christ in the Adventure of Faith”*

*When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.”*

Luke 5:4 (NIV)



## **The Joyful Noise**



These past several weeks have been filled with news stories that are, quite frankly, antithetical to Christian values, principles, and Faith. From Supreme Court rulings to the latest policy decisions of many organizations, the values embraced by the culture we live in as Followers of Jesus Christ are becoming ever increasingly more difficult to live out our Faith in Christ. What shall we do? How now shall we live?

Living Faith in Jesus Christ and living out the principle, values, and tenets of our Faith is the singular most important thing a Christian can do. Yet sometimes we just don't. And sometimes that just don't is due to not really knowing what we believe and why we believe.

Our ministry focus for the year *“I Believe - Walking with Christ in the Adventure fo Faith”* was a prophetic gift from God. For the focus is extremely timely as we live in this fast changing culture, pushed by the tsunami of progressive moral relativism and sexual identity politics. A tsunami that brings devastation to an increasing number of people who lack a living, vibrant, redeeming relationship with Jesus Christ. A devastation that may very well be of eternal ramifications.

In the coming weeks we will begin a deeper look at the basic core of Christian Faith. This is to give you the ability to stand firm and stand strong for Christ in the culture. Learning the Faith so it is in your mind. Living the Faith so it is in your heart. Doing the Faith so it impacts the world.

This is important!!! The **Church of Jesus Christ** is the only **HOPE** for the world. What this means is that you, **YES CHRISTIAN, THIS MEANS YOU** are the only **HOPE** for those who need Jesus. If not you, who?

So I invite you to get prepared and come along on a HOLY SPIRIT journey that will breathe new life into your heart and soul. An adventure that will transform you through and through. For you will be experiencing the dynamic life of a disciple just as the disciples of Jesus Christ experienced years ago.

The Roman world of the 1<sup>st</sup> century was transformed by believers in Jesus Christ. Together, brothers and sisters in Christ, we who believe can transform our world. Wasn't easy then and won't be easy now. Love of Christ Jesus compels us to try.

Please pray for me as I bring together this "I Believe" Adventure for you.

***I Believe!***

Pastor Jeff



### **Prayer Moment:**

*We ask You, Master, be our helper and defender. Rescue those of our number in distress; raise up the fallen; assist the needy; heal the sick; turn back those of Your people who stray; feed the hungry; release our captives; revive the weak; encourage those who lose heart. Let all the nations realize that You are the only God, that Jesus Christ is Your Child, and that we are Your people and the sheep of Your pasture.*

**1 Clement (c. 96)**

### **Welcome to New Administrative Assistant!**

Please welcome Vicki Hartley as she begins serving Faith In Christ in the church office. The office hours are now Monday thru Thursday 9:00 A.M. till 1:00 P.M.

**Walking in the Word –  
Tuesday Night Bible Study  
August 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and  
September 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
at 7 P.M.**



**Walking in the Word**

Come and Studying the Bible with your brothers and sisters in Christ on Tuesdays at 7 pm.

Ezra and Nehemiah are walking with the Lord and amazing events are taking place. Come and see the events through their eyes, and learn to walk with the Lord as they walked!

We conclude by 8:15 p.m.

## Discipleship

- ◆ Learn what Jesus taught - Study the Scriptures of Old and New Testament.
- ◆ Do what Jesus taught - Live what you have learned from the Scriptures
- ◆ Spread what Jesus taught - Go and make disciples of All Nations.



## Listen Online to a Sunday Sermon Message

Sunday Sermon messages are recorded and made available for listening on our Website: [www.ficlc.net](http://www.ficlc.net) The link to the message archive is found on the Pastor page.



This is a great opportunity to hear again the Word Preached and also a great opportunity to share the Word Preached with a friend at work or anywhere you have access to the internet. The Lord can bring a blessing and draw another to Faith in Christ.

## Summer Travel and Supporting the Mission of Faith in Christ.

As you travel this summer, enjoying vacations with family, friends, and the Lord's creation, please remember your commitment to support God's ministry through the mission of Faith in Christ. Your offering envelop is addressed and only needs a stamp to mail your weekly commitment to ministry and the building fund.



Remember, the expense of providing and doing ministry does not take a vacation.

## THANK YOU

To the Tuesday Morning Coffee Group.

Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement and for coming to Dad's funeral.

Thank you, also, for all the support and friendship you have shown to him over the last couple of years. He really appreciated it and always looked forward to the Tuesday morning breakfasts and companionship.

From the family of Bill Neidhart  
(Karen, Cheryl, Joyce, + families)

## "JESUS LIVES" - Day Camp 2015

Thirty six kids came to day camp this summer to learn that Holy Week changed their life eternally. They learned that Jesus rode into Jerusalem onto a donkey FOR THEM as their King prepared to die (Palm Sunday). They learned that Jesus was the perfect Passover lamb and that His body and blood was broken and shed FOR THEM (Lord's Supper). The youth learned that Jesus died on the cross FOR THEM taking all of their sins and giving them forgiveness (Good Friday). The campers learned that Jesus rose victoriously FOR THEM from the dead so that they may have life forever with God in heaven (Easter). And lastly, the kids learned that Jesus is coming back FOR THEM to take them to heaven (Bright Future). The day campers learned that Holy Week was planned by God FOR THEM to change their whole life.



Through songs, servant projects, silent movies, news broadcasts skits, testimonies, crafts, games, Bible studies, worships, videos, fellowship, clowning, and time spent with our teen counselors, the youth learned and experienced God's Love and that "JESUS LIVES". It was an amazing week sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We are very proud of our Teen Counselors (TWIGS) and "Counselors in Training" (BUDS) who did an outstanding job sharing the true meaning of Holy Week. These young disciples left a "thumbprint" on many of our campers' lives. A proud thank you to: Josh Baldrige, Sheila Bowen, Jacob Brown, Hailee Clifford, Lauren Crawford, Natalie Edwards, Nicole Edwards, Casey Fisher, Adam Hare, Brennan Miller, Macy Myers, and Nicholas Rogers.

We would also like to say a special thank you to these volunteers who made the week successful: Dave Hare, Joyce Bender, Pastor Jeff, Rosemary Dutton, Ruth Kempton, Dixie Schmid, Karen Williamson, Vicki Hartley, Beth Brown, Frieda Bowen, Barb Clifford, Cathy King, Cindy Post, Beth Helwagen, Julie Day, Scott Day, and Tony Rogers. A huge "THANK YOU" to our movie maker, Steve King, who created and produced all of our silent movies, newscasts, and green screen class photos. What a gift God has blessed Steve with that helped bring Holy Week to life!

Thank you one and all for your prayers, donations, and support. Day Camp is a ministry for this congregation as well as for our community.

God bless you!

"I AM THE RESURRECTION and the LIFE!" (John 11:25)  
Holly Hare, Krista Choi, Heather Lee

**TIME to get Together - That is Thursday Nights Together!**

T.N.T. is getting ready to G....

*Get together,*

*Grow Together!*

Look for more info to come your way soon!

## Children's Sunday School Kick Off August 23rd!

Calling all young Disciples of Jesus!  
Come and grow in your life walk with  
Jesus in Sunday School. We kick off the  
new school year on August 23rd!



Moms, dads, grandmas and  
grandpas, great-grandma and great-  
grandpas, these intentional times of  
discipling will nurture the FAITH of those  
entrusted to your care. Make a Sunday  
morning faith commitment for you and your family! Attend  
Sunday School and Worship together and make an eternal  
difference in a child's life.

**Train a child in the way he should go,  
and when he is old he will not turn from it.**

Proverbs 22:6 (NIV)

## **Cook out Following Worship Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup>**

Come and enjoy fellowship  
around some great food  
prepared by the Men of Faith in  
Christ.

Menu includes:

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs & Brats  
Potato Chips & Potato Salad  
Condiments / toppings & special Jalapeno dish

Fun includes Corn Hole, Horse Shoes, and more!

Please bring a side dish to share to add to the Festival Feast!



## **Undie Sunday Fundraiser**

As an outreach project of FIC, we are  
now beginning our collection of men's  
underwear for our Second Annual "Undie  
Sunday" project. All items collected will be  
donated to IHN's men's shelter, The  
Hartley House



Please Purchase only colored

**Large or X-Large Sizes**

of undershorts, undershirts or socks and  
return them to the church by September 13<sup>th</sup>.

We'll top off the project by enjoying delicious ice cream sundies  
during fellowship time on Sunday, **September 13<sup>th</sup>**.

This project is one of many outreach projects of the Outreach  
Committee and is sponsored by FIC's Women in Service  
Group, **other wise known as - WinS.**

**Coming Soon!**

A Crocheting Class will begin in September!  
This class is for everybody! It will meet for  
the first time on Wednesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>,  
at 10:00 a.m. in the church classroom area.  
Ruth Kempton will be sharing her many  
years of experience with the attendees.



**No Supplies** are needed to begin the class!



# TWIGS

## Schedule for our TWIGS

August 15-16  
TWIGS Retreat at Fairhaven

**TWIGS**  
*Teens Working In  
God's Service*

Just a little FYI.....TWIGS is open to all high school students, those in grades 9-12.

# WinS

## Followers of Christ - (LFC)

Will meet on Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> and September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 12 Noon, in the Bay Breeze Restaurant. Newcomers are always welcome.

## Women of Today

Will meet at 3:00 p.m. Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> & September 21<sup>st</sup>. The meetings are currently being held in the home of Marilyn Quick.



*Women  
in  
Service*

# I'm Drinking From My Saucer

I've never made a fortune, and it's probably too late now. But I don't worry about that much, I'm happy anyhow. And as I go along life's way, I'm reaping better than I sowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

Haven't got a lot of riches; And sometimes the going's tough, but I've got loving ones all around me, And that makes me rich enough. I thank GOD for His Blessings, And the mercies He's bestowed. I'm drinking from my saucer, 'Cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong, My faith wore somewhat thin. But all at once the dark clouds broke, And the sun peeped through again.

So LORD, help me not to gripe About the tough rows I have hoed. I'm drinking from my saucer, "Cause my cup has overflowed.

If GOD gives me strength and courage When the way grows steep and rough. I'll not ask for other blessings, I'm already blessed enough. And may I never be too busy, To help others bear their loads. . . Then I'll keep drinking from my saucer, "Cause my cup has overflowed.