

Kingdom Vision

Seek First His Kingdom

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John 8: 36

**So if the Son makes you free,
you will be free indeed.**

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Remember Kathy McCracken, Lanette Ball, Quinton Platner, Linda Francisco, Shirley Obenshain, Dale Gray, Roger Zartman, Judy Roark, Brian Deckman, Garry Naylor, Donnis Luck, Nolan Edmondson, Ralph Cope, Helen Elder, Rachel Pyron, Don Johnston, and Bruce Bowers as they deal with ongoing health issues.

Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to Heather Merrill and her family on the passing of her father, Joe Shipman, last week.

Thank You

I want to thank everyone for the cards and well wishes sent to me on my 90th birthday. Bill Greer



We just celebrated the 4th of July, but now it's time to start looking forward to Christmas...or our annual Operation: Christmas Child shoebox campaign! We have sent over 110 shoe boxes filled with toys, Bibles and toiletries to children to help them celebrate Christmas and learn more about Jesus. Last year alone, we as a church family made 70 of these boxes that went to Tanzania, Mexico and Panama!

We are asking for donations of small toys, trinkets and filler items (sunglasses, combs, stickers) to go along with Bibles and hygiene items like new washcloths. So, if you come across any good deals while you are at the store, or your child got that same toy again in their Happy Meal, feel free to have them pay it forward and donate it to this great cause! Just look for the tub with the Operation: Christmas Child logo on it in the Family Room. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak with Zac or Jenn Erisman.

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...Freedom is ours as a gift of God. We cannot gain it through our attempts to live in obedience to the law (Rom 3:20). On the contrary, Paul noted that sin actually misuses the law, twisting it to become a vehicle for sin's own evil ends. He wrote autobiographically, "But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of covetous desire... and through the commandment put me to death (Rom 7:8, 11)."

We must be careful not to confuse the freedom promised by Christ and facilitated by the Spirit with the everyday experience of choosing from among options. In (God's Word), freedom does not mean the ability to be a disinterested decision maker, to stand before choices unencumbered by any overpowering inclination to decide in one direction or the other. Indeed, in the face of moral decisions the choosing individual is never a neutral, autonomous self, but faces moral choice already predisposed. God's freedom is the ability to live in accordance with our destiny. It entails the release from the predisposition toward evil in order to be able to choose the good.

Living in freedom, however, does not mean living without restraint. On the contrary, freedom is God's gift bestowed on us through participation in community with Christ. It entails discipleship. As Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free (John 8:31-32)." Hence, we are liberated from bondage of sin...as such it includes the capacity for service to others, even the capacity to renounce one's own freedom for the sake of others (1 Cor 9:19).

Stanley J. Grenz
Theology for the Community of God

John 8:31-32

– Jesus said, "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free"

Youth News

I have to take this opportunity to brag on our Youth Group: We had Work Camp this past Monday-Wednesday and we had 14 Teens participate!! We dedicated a whole day to help Restoration Life Center setup and move fixtures into their new Thrift Store. Because of the amount of help and the Teen's determination - we got all of the work done in less than 4 hours, despite the unexpected monsoon! RLC has asked us back to continue to help in the next two weeks when they have more work for us. The Teens also spent time cleaning up the litter along the highway of our church campus. They worked hard and we got to play hard! We had several times of fellowship and it was great to be able to have devotionals again together in worship. It felt long overdue! A special thanks to my chaperones: Megan Ryan and Kerry Stadler. And if you see any of the following Teens this week, be sure to tell them good job: Emma, Aubrey, Sophie, Anica, Mattie, Cassie, Lane, Lance, Zaine, Derrick, Jackson, Jake, Jesse, and Xander. They represented the very best of Rocketdyne!

We will meet for Zoom Bible Class at 9:30am on Sunday. This Thursday we will have Teen's Night Together at the Pavilion at 6pm. We hope to bring a classic board game to life this week weather permitting!! You won't be disappointed!! Peace! Zac



The decision has been made to postpone our JumpStart Youth Rally until 2021 due to cases of COVID-19 continuing to rise. For 22 years, we have come together as a church family and hosted this event to help teenagers jump start their school year. We cannot hold JumpStart without your support, and as a congregation, you have stepped up year after year! God has always blessed our efforts. This year we will have to pivot and take a respite. But our hope is that we can double our efforts to bring JumpStart back next August 20-22, 2021 for its 23rd year. May God continue to bless our students, their families, and the JumpStart Youth Rally.

The JumpStart Committee and The Elders



For Ages 3 - 4th Grade

Hello! We have missed seeing you in Imagination Station!! We do not yet know when we will be able to meet again, but until then we are working hard to make improvements to your classroom and planning some fun lessons to get you excited about God's Word!

To the parents: While we are waiting for classes to resume, we wanted to make you aware of the following changes to the age guidelines for Kids Worship Service classes:

Nursery: Birth to 18 months
(18 months - 2 years may stay with a parent)

Toddler Class: 18 months - 3 years
**We are working to get this class in place.
If you have any interests in being a part of this, please see Tye**

Imagination Station: 3 years up to 4th Grade

Basic Training: 9 years - 12 years

You will notice that the ages between the different classes overlap. This is to allow you as parents to have the flexibility to decide which class best fits the needs of your child.

We love you all and can't wait to see and hear all those sweet voices singing on our stage again. Until then, we will leave you with this memory verse:

*"Tell the Good News---That Jesus is the Christ."
Acts 5:42, ICB*



Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6

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Kael Powers
Jason Stipp
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Ministers

Zac Erisman
Tye Zola



That your
Joy
may be
made Full.
John 16:24



*No Attended Nursery
At This Time*



Fair Haven

**Pantry
Needs**

Jelly (no grape)

OUR MISSION

- To Worship God**
- To Become More Like Jesus**
- To Nurture the Children**
- To Share His Love by Honoring and Serving One Another
and the World**
- To the Praise and Glory of Our God**

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