

“This relationship begins with
HEARING THE WORD OF GOD,

acknowledging that it is the truth, then making an intellectual decision to establish a personal relationship with Jesus Christ now.”

Worship With Us

**SUNDAY
 WORSHIP SERVICE
 10:00 - 11:30**

Children's Church

**WATCH LIVE/RECORDED ON FACEBOOK
 @ ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP**

2nd Sunday: Communion

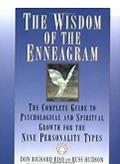
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includes the Sunday Bulletin and on-line giving.



Brown Bag Bible Study
 Noon
 Wednesday's

We are meeting in the basement! This study is the book of James and we are now in Chapter 4. It is never to late to join in with us!



Tuesday's, starting with coffee at 9:30, the study starts at 10:00. The Yada Yada women are meeting in the basement. If have any questions please call Linda at 936-0031.



Our teachers have expanded to reflect something closer to what we had before covid. Hmm...wonder if this gives an alternative meaning to B.C.? We were even able to open the nursery a couple weeks ago for the youngest member of a visiting family! We hope they return, it was wonderful to hear the sounds of children again!

Classes continue with the life of Moses. We are journeying through the wilderness with the Israelites looking at the Tabernacle, Ark of the Covenant and learning the Ten Commandments. Our goal is to have them memorized before this journey is over and to be able to understand how they could be applied to a young person's life.

Just like God's people of old, we can be truly in awe of God's miracles and alternate between faith or trust in Him and grumbling and complaining about what we don't have and the current difficulties we find ourselves in. Things haven't changed that much after all.

The Lost but Found Thrift Store has moved to the Fellowship Hall!



We have had to remove all inventory from the Thrift Store while the issue of mold, wet sub-flooring and walls are dealt with. We have been informed it may be mid-December before we can return. Please keep the Thrift Store in your prayers and the community as many depended on the store for Christmas gifts. If you have any questions or would be willing to help when we get ready to restock the store, please contact Tammy Turner (360-951-5617).

**SUNDAY,
 NOVEMBER 15TH
 2020 SOCIETY
 MEETING
 FOLLOWING THE
 SUNDAY SERVICE**

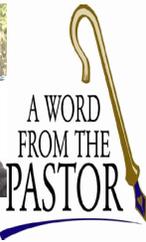
Church members will receive ballots in the mail, review the ballot, and if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, write in the name and return it to Pastor Brenda by Nov. 8th. **NOTE:** This is not for voting. A final ballot will be available the week of Nov. 9th. If you would like to become a member, please contact Pastor Brenda (907-306-7708) to register for our membership class.



Clarice Mackey will be sharing her testimony during this "salad bar" luncheon. Due to COVID regulations all foods must be "store wrapped" from the store. Please RSVP to Lisa Wallner (935-6249) and let her know what you will bring.



Pastor Brenda



I love November. The shift of fall is giving away to winter, and with it, time to be reminded of the goodness of God, to be thankful. I have friends who use this time to really focus on how thankful they really are by posting on social media one thing they are thankful for each day in November. I have another friend who made it a goal to write down 1000 things she's thankful for on index cards during November. Then throughout the rest of the year, whenever she was feeling down she would just pull out one of those cards and be reminded of some things to be thankful for. What I like about writing down 1000 things to be grateful for is that after the easy ones, like thankful for "friends and family", "God and salvation", or those superficial ones like, "chocolate cake" or "coffee," we have to really give it some deep thought. We see God in those difficult times, and are thankful for his presence. It will soften your heart; even reduce stress and anxiety.

You may be looking back over this year so far and wonder what there is to be thankful for. However, if we open our eyes to the blessings of God we will see them all around us. We have experienced a difficult year, and it may seem hard to find things to be grateful for. But, there is an interesting dynamic that takes place when we take refuge in God for our comfort during hard times. That dynamic is joy, true happiness that doesn't fade. God is good and he wants good things for his children. Sometimes the good comes in the form of a transformed heart.

My experience with all of you at Abundant Life Fellowship is that you are very grateful. Let's take the challenge this month to write down 1000 things we are grateful for. If you don't reach the goal of 1000, that's okay, you can keep going. The point is to make it a habit of being grateful and to be more aware of the good things God is doing around you.

TOO BLESSED
to be
STRESSED

Verse of the Month

Psalm 34:8

*Taste and see how good the Lord is!
The one who takes refuge in Him is truly happy!*

This is an invitation to taste the goodness of God. Tasting is an experience, one that involves the senses. We think of it as just one sense, but all of the senses are involved in the experience of taste. First, we see what we're about to taste; the physical presentation prepares us for the experience ahead. That can be good or it can be bad. We can smell the aroma of the food as the fragrance of the spices reach our nose. As the food enters our mouth it touches our tongue, we experience its textures, creamy or crunchy, hot or cold. Finally, we hear what we taste as we crunch down on that crispy chip or hear the swish of the tea as we sip on it. This is why the word *taste* is used in this verse; taste is a complete experience.

"Taste and see that God is good." To completely experience God, as we take refuge in him, we will be happy because of his goodness.

Do not be daunted by the
Enormity of the world's grief.

Do justly **NOW.**

Love mercy **NOW.**



You are not obligated to complete

The work, but neither are you

free to abandon it. *The Talmud / Micah 6:8*

This one lands pretty well
with me because I can be
daunted by how screwed
the world seems to be and
how little I can do about it.
In fact, that thought can
paralyze a person from
doing anything, and often,
can allow one to take in the
sadness of things.

We can often look at our lives and try to figure out what we need to change or do to become more like Christ. God gave the Israelites three things they can do that are good in the eyes of God. Here are three areas you can look at in you life to see how you are doing.

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed.
Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of
the widow. Isaiah 1:17

DO JUSTICE: Our good God is a just God and re-
quires from us that we do continue to do justice.

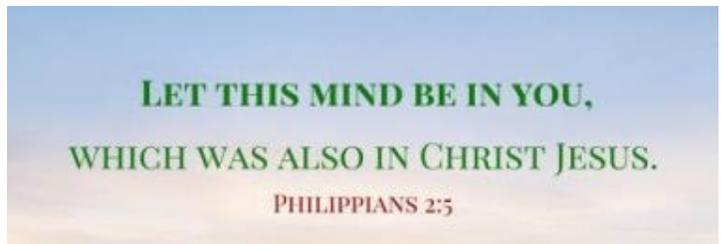
LOVE KINDNESS: The good Samaritan man loved kindness and that was the reason he helped his enemy a Jew man who was wounded by the thieves. (Luke 10:29-37). Jesus told to the crowd that the consequences of not having mercy on others (Matthew 18:23-33). We must love kindness and mercy because our good God is merciful!

He answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"^(E); and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself. Luke 29:27

WALK HUMBLY: We should not make God walk with us, but we should walk with him. Where God stops we must stop. "Do two walk together, unless they have agreed to meet? (Amos 3:3 ESV) This is the secret of walking with God. To agree with Him, means walking in rhythm with Him. *Excerpts from Pastor Sharad.*

NEED PRAYER?

CALL THE PRAYER CHAIN:
HOLLY CALVERT 935-6485 OR
MARY KNAPP 936-0319



Abundant Life Fellowship

LOVE GOD.

LOVE PEOPLE.

MAKE DISCIPLES.



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