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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, March 3, 2024



Sundays at 10:30am 3836 S Madison Ave, Norwood, OH 45212

Easter

Easter season is upon us and we want to resource you to invite all of your friends and family to join us this season! Make sure to grab invite cards, door hangers, yard signs, and Valley Guides as tools to offer Easter invites to your circles.

Camp

Summer camp is 70% filled up, so now is the time to get your kids registered! All 3rd-6th grade kids are invited to kids camp, and 7th-12th grade kids are invited to student camp, both on June 10th-14th. See Hannah Reisen for the registration link.

Connections Ministry

We are continuing to build our Connections Ministry team and we'd love for all smiling faces to be a part of it! This crew shows up a bit early on Sundays, prepares coffee, serves at the front door and at our spring outdoor welcoming tent, among other things. See Pastor Chuck if you'd like more info.

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Philippians 4:2-7

God created us as relational beings who desire community and belonging. But due to our fallen nature, and even at our "best", maintaining harmony seems close to impossible. Unity is such a fragile thing in the hands of sinful man, and only through Christ's divine intervention could there ever be hope of lasting peace.

In Philippians 4:1, Paul tells us to "stand firm" in the hope of knowing Christ and attaining the resurrection. How does this hope make it possible for peace?

According to James 4:1-4, what is the root cause of conflict and chaos in the world at large? Deep desires have the potential to be either life-giving or destructive depending on the context. What are some examples of carnal or unhealthy desires? What about wholesome, Christ-honoring desires? Now, consider your own conflicts. Can you pinpoint any good or bad desires that may have contributed to the dispute?

Euodia and Syntyche are named among those who served alongside Paul for the sake of the gospel. Their commitment to Christ and His church was clear, yet somehow they are the source of this tension threatening the unity of the church.

While it's clear that carnal desires produce conflict in our relationships, how is it possible for desires that are gospelmotivated to have the same potential of causing discord?

According to Philippians 2:3-8, what does it mean to have the mind of Christ? What role does that play in resolving conflict?

According to James 3:13-18, what is the outward evidence of "wisdom from above" (or lack thereof)? What are some of the ways we attempt to manufacture unity that James would call "worldly wisdom." How do these fall short or differ from the ways of godly wisdom?

What is the connection between anxiety and unmet desires? How can anxiety play a role in conflict? How does prayer relate to humility? How can a life characterized by prayer help foster church unity?