## Two Diverging Paths Psalm 1

## July 9, 2023

The world is full of options. We like to believe that a person can do anything, be anyone, and go anywhere. It used to be that we would be born and live our entire lives in the same small town, now we can move cross country on a whim. At times it's great, but I'm sure all of us have experienced issues with too many options. Too many options can be overwhelming. Today we'll see when it comes to our lives there are ultimately only 2 options, and it boils down to the path of the righteous or the wicked.

## Order Of Worship

## Welcome and Announcements

## Call to Worship

Psalm 66:1-2

## Songs of Praise

Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee
Nothing But the Blood

## Confession of Faith

## Heidelberg Catechism \#40

Q. Why did Christ have to suffer death?
A. Because God's justice and truth require it: nothing else could pay for our sins except the death of the Son of God.

## Offering and Prayer

## Song of Declaration

Lord I Need You

## Confession of Sin

Blessed Spirit, author of all grace and comfort. Come, work repentance in my soul. Represent sin to me in its odious colors that I may hate it; melt my heart by the majesty and mercy of God. Show me my ruined self and the help there is in him. Teach me to behold my creator, his ability to save, his arms outstretched, his heart big for me. May I confide in his power and love, commit my soul to him without reserve, bear his image, observe his laws, pursue his service, and be through time and eternity a monument to the efficacy of his grace, a trophy of his victory. Make me willing to be saved in his way, perceiving nothing in myself, but all in Jesus.

## Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:7-9

## Sermon

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Psalm 1
Pastor James Brignac

# Ordination and Installation 

Bob Ziemer, Deacon

## Song of Response

How Deep the Father's Love For Us

## Benediction

## Sermon Notes

## Paths

What is the main focus on the psalmist?

What do we learn about the path of the wicked?

What is the key to being on the path of the righteous?

## Planted

Why doesn't everyone go down the path of the righteous?

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

How does the metaphor of being planted help us understand our situation?

What does God do once we're planted?

## Product

What is the product of the path of the righteous?
Galatians 5:17

Where does the path of the wicked lead?

What is the ultimate reality we see in this psalm?

## Announcements



August 18-19, 2023

Summer Bible Study
Wednesdays in June, 10-11:30 AM


Multiple groups are available.
Contact Pastor James to get connected

Volunteer sign up is open
August 18-19, 2023


Men's Outing Jumbo Shrimp Game July 29, 2023 at 6:35 PM Contact John Homon

M.E.A.T. - Men Eating and Talking July 11 at 7:00 PM Contact John Homon


Every Friday at 8:00 AM via Zoom meeting

## Discussion Questions

1. What is your favorite psalm?
2. Does the reality of Psalm 1 (only two paths) differ from how most people view the world today?
3. Read 2 Corinthians $4: 3-4$. What does Paul mean in this passage?
4. This passage uses the metaphor of a tree being planted. What other metaphors are used in the Bible?
5. Is it difficult to accept God has to act for us to be planted on the path of the righteous? Why or why not?
6. What do you hope to learn in our study of the psalms?
