

# WELCOME!

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Our mission is to help people **Come** to know Jesus as Savior, **Grow** in a relationship with Him, and **Live** their lives for Him. God loves you and we pray that during the worship service you will be able to connect with Him through song, scripture, and the message.

#### Sunday, December 4, 2022

Sermon Series: Emmanuel, God With Us
Sermon Title: God's Presence with the Hurting
Scripture: Genesis 16:6-13

Speaker: Pastor Kendall Harger

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# SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

#### **NURSERY**

AGES: newborn-2 years

Please sign-in your child at the nursery door and pick-up a pager.

#### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

AGES: 3 years-2nd grade

Please drop off your child at Room 114 and sign them in.

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## <u>Sermon Notes</u> December 4, 2022

# **God's Presence with the Hurting**

<u>Big Idea</u>
When I feel unseen, God sees me.
When I feel unheard, God hears me.

Genesis 16:6-13

#### The Back Story of Hagar

Many times we are tempted to "help God out" instead of waiting for Him.

The Bible is not meant to be read as a collection of hero stories.

This is the first appearance of the "Angel of the LORD" in the Bible. He didn't first appear to Noah or Enoch or Abram.

Spring of water in the wilderness??? God provided in a tangible way for her in her distress. God meets Hagar in her place of need!!!
Hagar feels totally abandoned. Hagar feels unsupported. Hagar feels invisible.
"You've been wondering if anyone will truly listen to you, appreciate, or even pay attention to you.
Perhaps you are in a dire situation not of your making but are forced to deal with anyway." -Tyler Zach
but are forced to deal with anyway." -Tyler Zach  GOD SEES YOU.  GOD HEARS YOU.

#### Talk It Over

- 1. This Christmas season, where do you feel a sense of longing?
- 2. What is the significance of Hagar's name for God -- El Roi, the God Who Sees? What does it mean to a person who is discouraged and losing hope? What does it mean to you personally?
- 3. Think of a time when you felt alone, unseen, or abandoned. Who did God bring to minister to you during this time?
- 4. If God asked you the same question, he asked Hagar (v.8) "Where have you come from? Where are you going?" what would your response be?
- 5. What lesson is God teaching you through Hagar's experience?
- 6. Is there anything in the message that stood out to you, challenged you, or encouraged you that wasn't talked through yet?