

# CONVERSATIONS



OCTOBER 1, 2023  
8:40 AM WORSHIP  
CORNERED

## What's Going On in the Family?

Karen McAmis

## Song for the Offering: *Just As I Am*

Bradbury/Elliott

*Come As You Are*

Maher/Crowder/Glover

*Mighty to Save*

Fielding/Morgan

## Sermon

Blake Bengé

*Conversations: Cornered*

John 8:1-11

## Communion: *There Was Jesus*

Beathard/Smith/Williams

## Song of Response: *How Great Is Your Love with How He Loves*

Blankenship/McMillan

## Recognition of Decisions

Blake Bengé

## Benediction

Jon Nahlen

## INVITATION TO RESPOND

- Comment on Facebook
- Share this worship service on your social media
- Email a decision or prayer request to [info@snydermbc.com](mailto:info@snydermbc.com)
- As comfort and common sense allows, reach out to your next door neighbors. Be a neighbor. Share and show Christ.

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## TAKE IT WITH YOU

*Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.*

*See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.*

Psalm 139:23-24

Cornered. We've all been cornered at one time or another. The Pharisees thought they had "cornered" Jesus when they brought the woman who had committed adultery, but actually it was Jesus who had "cornered" them when He said in John 8:7, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Jesus showed compassion and forgiveness, and scripture tells us that one by one the Pharisees went away. Perhaps they were anxious about this new Rabbi that was "showing them up" and therefore their offensive ways "showed right up!" Aren't we like that? Perhaps when we are most anxious in our hearts, that's when God sees our offensive ways and too often others do too.

For many years high school students were required to read Nathaniel Hawthorne's classic, "The Scarlet Letter", where an adulterous woman had to wear a big letter "A" so all would know about her transgression. I'm thankful that I don't have to wear letters representing my sin or those around me might break out singing "The ABC Song"!

When I was in college, we started our Bible Study each week with a beautiful chorus from Psalm 51:10-12:

*"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."*

Today as we share communion together, as Lou Giglio says, "Don't let the enemy have a seat at our table." Create in us a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within us.

~ Kerri Hurley

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**YOUTH KENYA MISSION TRIP MEETING:** High school students, their parents and youth leaders are invited to the Youth Suite this Sunday, October 1, following the 11am service. If you have not responded to the email, please let Kate Pearson (katep@snydermbc.com) know if you are attending.

**1ST THROUGH 5TH GRADERS - SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE MUSIC KICK-OFF:** Sunday, October 1, from 3:45 - 4:30pm (before Launchpad) in the Chapel.

**BEGINNING HANDBELL CLASS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH:** Contact Donna Davenport at donnad@snydermbc.com if you would like to attend these classes that will be held on Sundays from 3:45 - 4:30pm in Room B1052.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY FALL BIBLE STUDY:** The study on The Daniel Prayer by Anne Graham Lotz will be on Monday nights at 6:30pm beginning October 2 or Thursday mornings at 9:30am beginning October 5. Parlor

**MEN'S MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY HOSTED BY SNYDER:** Meetings run from 7 - 8:30pm in the Chapel. Call or text Richard Pitt at (910) 308-6018 for more information.

**NEW OPPORTUNITY! CHRISTIAN YOGA - MOVE, BREATHE, PRAY:** Classes will be on Tuesdays from 6pm - 6:45pm for Chair Yoga and 7pm - 7:45pm for Yoga Flow in the Youth Suite. \$5 per class

**GROWING THE TREE INTEREST AND PLANNING MEETING:** On Wednesday, October 4, at 5:30pm in the Parlor the schedule for Growing the Tree (which starts on November 8), how to sign up for shifts and to prepare for working on construction of the structures in the Sanctuary will be covered. If you would like to be a part of this important part of the Singing Christmas Tree please plan on attending!

**NIGHT OF WORSHIP:** Thursday, October 5, at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come one, come all, to this special evening hosted by the 8:40 Worship Team. Childcare will be provided for children Kindergarten and younger if you RSVP to Karen McAmis by 6:30pm on Wednesday, October 4.

**NC STATE FAIR TRIP:** Senior Day is Tuesday, October 17. The trip is free with the group leaving the church at 8:30am and returning by 5pm. The deadline for members and regular attendees to sign up is October 4. Others may call Lyn in the Church Office and be placed on a waiting list and will be contacted on October 5 concerning availability.

**GOLF OUTING:** Tuesday, October 24, Cost \$29 at Cypress Lakes Golf Course. Tee-off at 10am. Sign up by calling George Holden at (910) 977-4626

**VOLUNTEERS FOR FALL FEST NEEDED:** We will be having this fun community event on Friday, October 27, from 5:30- 7:30pm. There are many ways to help out! You can sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CACAF2DA6FAC52-fall>

**MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT - GRADES 6 - 8 - NOVEMBER 3 -5:** \$125 per person. Register at [www.snyderstudents.com](http://www.snyderstudents.com).

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- Automated Bank Draft on the 5th or 20th of the month - contact Finance Office to acquire forms for draft set up

### Online (computer, mobile phone, tablet)

- Go to [www.snydermbc.com](http://www.snydermbc.com); select "Giving & Tithing | Online" from the menu; enter the information (if you are already in our database, you can login; otherwise you can continue as guest)

or

- download the "Church Life" app to your mobile phone (you must already have a username and password for AccessACS - see below - in order to use this app). There is a link on the app to give, and it will take you to AccessACS; follow the instructions