

AUGUST 27, 2023 • 11:00 AM WORSHIP

Greeting & Upcoming Ministry Events

Mrs. Karen McAmis

DISCOVER

Hymn 3

Worthy of Worship

Morning Prayer

Music Feature

Come, Thou Fount

Rev. Bruce Herrmann

JUDSON

Emma Bentham & Mark Rice

DEVELOP

Hymn

Grace Alone Grace Alone

Every promise we can make, every prayer and step of faith, every difference we will make is only by God's grace. Every mountain we will climb, every ray of hope we shine, every blessing left behind is only by God's grace.

Chorus:

Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone; we will go forth in grace alone.

Every soul we long to reach, every heart we hope to teach, everywhere we share His peace is only by God's grace. Every loving word we say, every tear we wipe away, every sorrow turned to praise is only by God's grace.

[chorus]

Hymn 486

Lord, Here Am I

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Message

Pastor Blake Benge

Building Blocks: The Plan

DISPLAY

Response Hymn 401

Break Out, O Church of God

Prayer of Commitment

Music Feature

Have I Done Any Good

Recognition of Decisions

Mrs. Mary Rice

ST. THOMAS

Sanctuary Choir Zabriski

Pastor Benge

Mrs. Davenport, organist

Postlude

INVITATION TO RESPOND

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



Rev. Jon Nahlen

TAKE IT WITH YOU

Keep Discovering God.

Don't become complacent because you've come to church for a long time and know a lot of scripture verses and have listened to a lot of sermons. Bible study - both corporate and private - worship, prayer, and fellowship are ways that we discover God and having done it for a long time is wonderful and important. But there is no finish line. There is no end-of-term exam where we can prove we know all the right answers about God. Knowing God is much more complex than that, and it is a lifelong endeavor.

Think of it like this (it's not a perfect metaphor, but go with me): you know your spouse. But you continue pursuing the relationship, because there is always more to learn, to realize, to discover. The same can be said for any number of relationships: friends, parents, siblings, etc. We don't spend time with the people we love in order to gain academic, objective knowledge. We spend time with them in order to know them fully, in every sense of the word.

The same is true of our relationship with God. We seek to know God as fully and deeply as our limited, human minds and hearts possibly can. We need to remain curious, open to the Holy Spirit revealing truth or shedding light on a perspective we've not understood or fully grasped before, or even deepening an understanding. For instance, I've always known that God loves me, but until I became a parent myself, I didn't fully comprehend the depth of that love. I'm not sure that I do even now, or ever will. But through my love for my children, God revealed a bit more of His love for me.

As Pastor Benge has laid out the elements of discipleship, the first part is to discover God. It's all too easy for those of us who have been familiar with God for a long time to think that we have checked that box on the checklist. But, may we all, regardless of the length of our Christian journey, enter this place of worship actively seeking to discover God each week.

~ Katie Herring

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SNYDER KIDS LAUNCH PARTY: We are inviting you to a fun time on Sunday, August 27, from 4:45 - 6pm on our Front Lawn. There will be water slides, games and sweet treats!

8:40 WORSHIP TEAM INTEREST MEETING AND KICK-OFF: Whether you are already a member or interested in becoming a part of the Band, Tech, Worship Choir and vocal team come to this kick-off meeting at 6:15pm on Wednesday, August 30, in the Chapel.

POLAR EXPRESS BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6: Come join the Sanctuary Choir at 6:15pm in the Music Suite as they begin working on the music for this year's Singing Christmas Tree!

"WHAT IS MY TEENAGER THINKING?" WORKSHOP: Open to all parents, grandparents, guardians, teachers and leaders: Our Youth Ministry is hosting a workshop with Mark Oestreicher who will be discussing the nature and nurture of our teens. It will be from 9 - 11:30am on Saturday, September 9. \$10 per couple or individual. Register at www.snyderstudents.com. Limited childcare spaces available.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: We are adding three new Sunday School classes on September 10. Newly Married Couples - Room B2015 led by Mike and Sattin Ramos

Married Couples (30s or there abouts) - Room C2051 led by Tom & Eileen Hatch

Couples 55+ - Room B1048 led by a team of teachers including Karen Felton, John & Jennifer Bigger, Ken & Lynne Smith, Toni Meeks and Geron Gambill.

More information can be found in this week's *The Bell*. If you are looking for a class change or want to help build a foundation for one of these new classes come join them on September 5!

CAROLINA OPRY CHRISTMAS SHOW ADULT TRIP - DECEMBER 8: Sign up has begun - there are a limited number of seats. You can go to Snyder's website and click on the link to sign up or you can bring a check to the Church Office during normal business hours. Payment reserves your spot.

SAVE THE DATES:

Mission Action Group will meet on Tuesday, September 5, at 11am at Golden Corral Restaurant.

WMU Eloise Jenkins Roundtable will resume meeting on Monday, September 11, at 11am.

The Compassionate Woman's Book Club will meet on Tuesday September 12, at 1 pm at Curate Essentials

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Night of Worship Thursday, October 5, Time TBA

HOW TO GIVE TO SNYDER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Cash or Check

- · by mail or dropping off to Finance Office
- 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; 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



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