

Welcome to Faith

november 20, 2022

Prayer Requests

RECENT DEATHS

Breanna Chandler's mother, Brenda Stitzel
Alan Mock

UPCOMING & RECENT SURGERIES

Shirley Roe

Stewardship Celebration

Join us tonight at 5pm at the Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds for the Stewardship Celebration where we will be celebrating what God has done and is doing at Faith. Tickets are available in the foyer and online - faithlafayette.org/stewardship.

Christmas for Everyone

Between services at all three campuses you can sign up to sponsor a child - we ask that you commit to spending \$45 per child.

We are also looking for volunteers for distribution day on December 10 - we're bringing back gift wrapping this year and could use more people to help in that area. You can sign up at faithlafayette.org/cfe.

At distribution day this year, we would like to have an abundance of boxes of diapers on hand to bless families that may be struggling financially. We ask that our church family donates diapers of various sizes to help meet this need. Diapers can either be brought to the CFE table in the foyers on Sunday or at one of the Community Centers in the CFE bins any day of the week.

Holiday Schedule

To view the dates and times of the various holiday ministries taking place at Faith, as well as any deviations from our typical schedule, please visit faithlafayette.org/holidayschedule or use the QR code.



Caleb's Kin

Senior adults, join us for the Jefferson High School Christmas Program on December 9. The cost is \$10.75 plus \$3.00 if you ride the bus. The bus will leave at 6:15pm from the northwest corner of the Meijer parking lot (near the Meijer gas station). If you will be bringing a wheelchair, please let us know and that can be easily accommodated. We need a head count by Sunday, November 20 to have reserved seats as a group, so please call/text Pam Griese at [765-491-8352](tel:765-491-8352) or email her at pcg68@hotmail.com to get signed up.

Children's Ministry

2^{YR} - 5TH grade

Pastor Trey and his friends will be uploading encouraging videos at faithlafayette.org/kidsvids.

You can find this week's online children's Sunday School lesson at blogs.faithlafayette.org/faithkids. You can use the ideas below to discuss the lesson as a family.

GOD ORDAINS AND FILLS THE TABERNACLE

READ: EXODUS 25-31, 40

ASK YOUR CHILD:

- What purpose did the tabernacle serve? *Israel worshipped God who dwelled among His people there.*
- Why did God tell the Israelites to build the tabernacle? *God wanted close fellowship with His people.*
- Why were sacrifices offered? *Sacrifices served as payment for sin.*

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: GOD DWELLS WITH HIS PEOPLE. THEREFORE, WE SHOULD REPENT AND OBEY HIM.

PRACTICE:

- Repent from sin and turn to Christ.
- Rejoice that faith in Jesus allows God to dwell in us.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: READ LEVITICUS 1-7

MEMORIZE OCT 30-DEC 4: "AND WE KNOW THAT IN ALL THINGS GOD WORKS FOR THE GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE HIM, WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE. FOR THOSE GOD FOREKNEW HE ALSO PREDESTINED TO BE CONFORMED TO THE IMAGE OF HIS SON, THAT HE MIGHT BE THE FIRSTBORN AMONG MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS." ROMANS 8:28-29 (NIV)*

* PRESCHOOL VERSE IN BOLD PRINT

Winter Break

While children are out of school over the holidays, Faith Church seeks to help working parents by providing safe, low-cost activities for their kids through our Winter Break ministry. We have the opportunity to share the gospel with many children who have no connection to a Bible-believing church on eight days this year: Dec 21-23, Dec 27-30, and Jan 3. If you could give a morning or afternoon to help us serve these kids and their families, please sign up at faithlafayette.org/serve.

Last Week's Offering - \$120,865.93

Weekly Budget - \$74,195

Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,806

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Growing in Gospel Gratitude
Responsibility Comes with Accountability
Luke 16:1-13

Stewardship is "God giving responsibility with accountability"

Four Principles of Stewardship

1. God owns everything, you own nothing
2. God entrusts you with everything you have
3. You can either increase or diminish what God has given; He wants you to increase it
4. God can call you into account at any time, and it may be today

3 Key points to prepare for accountability

I. _____ God Will Examine Our Stewardship

2 Corinthians 5:9 - *Therefore we also have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him.*

2 Corinthians 5:10 - *For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.*

A. Be careful not to _____ what God has given to you (vv. 1-2)

Luke 16:1-2 - *Now He was also saying to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and this manager was reported to him as squandering his possessions. And he called him and said to him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an accounting of your management, for you can no longer be manager.'"*

B. _____ the consequences for squandering God's resources (v. 3)

Luke 16:3a - *The manager said to himself, "What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me?"*

1 Corinthians 3:14-15 - *If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.*

II. _____ Your Current Course in View of Future Accountability

A. _____ your position (vv. 4-7)

Luke 16:3 - *The manager said to himself, "What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig; I am ashamed to beg."*

B. Take action in view of the _____ (vv. 4-7)

Luke 16:4-7 - *I know what I shall do, so that when I am removed from the management people will welcome me into their homes. And he summoned each one of his master's debtors, and he began saying to the first, "How much do you owe my master?" And he said, "A hundred measures of oil." And he said to him, "Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty." Then he said to another, "And how much do you owe?" And he said, "A hundred measures of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill, and write eighty."*

C. _____ what is truly valuable (vv. 8-9)

Luke 16:8-9 - *And his master praised the unrighteous manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the sons of this age are more shrewd in relation to their own kind than the sons of light. And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by means of the wealth of unrighteousness, so that when it fails, they will receive you into the eternal dwellings.*

Shrewd - Phronimōs - prudently, wisely

"In any event, the master would lose no money if the amount forfeited was simply the interest the manager would have gained. Furthermore, such a forgiveness of debts would hardly have hurt but would probably have helped the master's own reputation. Therefore, the master admires the manager's shrewdness. The manager knew his job and reputation were gone because of his previous mishandling of funds. He needed friends; and, by foregoing the customary interest, he won friends among the creditors. Jesus then uses this story to show that the 'people of the light' could also accomplish much by wisely giving up some of their 'worldly wealth.'" (Walter L. Liefeld, "Luke," in *The Expositor's Bible Commentary: Matthew, Mark, Luke*, ed.)

III. _____ Increased Responsibility Through Faithfulness

A. _____ on being faithful in areas you will be accountable (v. 10-12)

Luke 16:10-12 - *He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much. Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you? And if you have not been faithful in the use of that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own?*

Luke 19:17 - *And he said to him, "Well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little thing, you are to be in authority over ten cities."*

B. Be _____ to one master (v. 13)

Luke 16:13 - *No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.*

Matthew 6:21 - *...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*