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connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission



**EMMANUEL ARTS
SHOWCASE**

FRIDAY MAY 10TH
AT 6:30PM IN THE SANCTUARY (THIS IS A FREE EVENT)

It's the end of the Spring session here at Emmanuel Arts, and our students have grown! Come celebrate and worship with us this Friday evening. Music, dance, and art will be on display in the Sanctuary at 6:30pm.



COMMUNION
Sunday

NEXT WEEK

do this in remembrance of me

Please keep the following people & their families in daily prayer...

(To update this prayer list, submit a prayer request on erc.la/prayer and let us know in the notes to also update the Prayer Page)

- RICHARD GRIFFIN: Issues with blood flow and circulation to legs & feet
- GREG ENGLE: Inclusion Body Myositis
- TROY KUBINSKI: Inclusion Body Myositis
- GAY WALKER: Lung cancer
- TANYA COLLIS: Severe pain 24 hrs/day
- JADEN MALDONADO: (child)
Congenital cytomegalovirus
- TANYA MCKOWN: Lupus, Health issues
- EMMA ROMERO (Teen): Seizures
- BERTHA MARTINES: Stroke/complete healing
- FRANCES HOLTON: Full recovery of knees
- RAQUEL MALDONADO (23): MS
- WILLIAM SUAREZ: CHF
- SELENE VELASCO: needing kidney transplant

DIRT CAMP & SUMMER CAMP!

We're now accepting signups for our Jr High and High School Summer Camps! Signup and learn more at erc.la/youth. Contact Bailey at bailey.talsma@erc.la

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am
(sanctuary) (activity center) (brick building)

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Additional Giving Opportunities

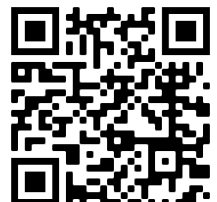
Deacon's Fund May 5

Weekly Offering

YTD Total: \$1,189,862.70
YTD Budget: \$1,074,323.00

Last Week's Offering: \$152,966.19
2024 Weekly Budget: \$63,195.50

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HOW DO I BECOME GOOD?

Scripture Reading: Romans 7:15-24

The Law is good (Romans 7:15-17)

- The Law tells us how to live
 - But what about the weird laws? They are there for a reason! For example, Exodus 23:19 is in the Bible because the Canaanites had a practice of boiling young goats in mother's milk as a fertility act to demons. God calls his people to be holy and different from the world!
- The Law tells us how to relate to God and others
- The Law helps us realize that it cannot save us nor can we keep it

Jesus kept the Law perfectly and He alone can save us (Romans 7:24-25)

When we realize our lives have been rescued by Jesus our affections towards Jesus change:

- We were enemies of God (Rom. 5:10)
- We hated God (Rom. 8:7)
- We preferred self-salvation and satisfaction apart from him (Rom. 1:25)

If there is still a battle with sin within us how do we know that we are saved? (1 John 2:4-6)

- Believing
- Obeying
- Fighting sin

God is everywhere and he enters into relationship where the Spirit is at work and where he is wanted

- Darkness is the absence of light ... light drives out darkness and makes it disappear.
- Cold is the absence of heat ... heat eradicates coldness and warms everyone and everything near it
 - When we retell ourselves the Gospel story and worship God for the victory of Jesus we will become more and more aware of his presence.
 - See the differences on university campuses in our cultural moment. It is obvious where Jesus is worshiped and where he is not.

Time of Reflection

- To answer the question in the sermon's title, God and his presence are what make things and people good. It's clear that where Jesus is not worshiped or welcomed there is destruction.
 - Reflecting on the sermon, what is the Holy Spirit bringing to your heart and mind?
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