

Traditional Service

October 7, 2018
11:10 AM

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Comments or Questions

Any comments or questions about FUMCSS?

You can share them here:

CALENDAR

SUNDAY 7	9:00 am	Celebration Service
	10:00 am	Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:10 am	Traditional Service
	5:00 pm	Connexion Group (Stephens)
	6:00 pm	Connexion Group (Taylors)
MONDAY 8	6:30 pm	Connexion Group (Atkins)
TUESDAY 9	7:00 pm	Connexion Group (Eisenberg)
WEDNESDAY 10	10:00 am	Connexion Group (Comfort-Lowerre)
	12:00 pm	Prayer Time in the Chapel
	5:30 pm	Timothy Team (Grades K-6th)
	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	6:15 pm	Basement at <i>Fields of Faith</i>
	6:30 pm	Men's Group (Fellowship Hall)
THURSDAY 11	6:45 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Circle One Ladies (Marilyn Church's home - 2908 Courtney Circle)
SATURDAY 13	5:00 pm	Dinner Church
SUNDAY 14	9:00 am	Celebration Service
	10:00 am	Communion in the Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	11:10 am	Traditional Service
	3:00 pm	Blessing of the Animals
5:00 pm	Connexion Groups meet	

SERMON

Enough: When Dreams Become Nightmares

The American Dream

Opening Reflective Question: What characterizes the greatest hopes, desires, and dreams of most Americans?

The American Nightmare

The American Dream has become an American Nightmare owing to two distinct yet related "illnesses" that affect us both socially and spiritually. The first of these "illnesses" is: A_____

"A_____" is the constant need for more and bigger and better stuff—as well as the effect that this need has on us.

The second of these "illnesses" is: C_____

"C_____" is an illness that is brought on by the opportunity to buy now and pay later, and it feeds on our desire for instant gratification. Our economy today is built on the concept of C_____.

The Deeper Problem Within

The Apostle Paul warns of the danger of loving money and materialism and how it can often cause self-inflicted wounds. An often-misquoted phrase is "Money is the root of all evil." Rather it is the "love of money which is the root of all kinds of evil"

1 Timothy 6:10 reads: *For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.*

The Bible's Solution

One thing becomes abundantly clear from all the instruction and admonition concerning our often-misplaced pursuit of material things to provide happiness

We need a h_____ c_____.

If we are to continually see change in us we must allow _____ to work in us.

As we do, we begin to sense a higher calling—a calling to s_____ and f_____ and g_____.

A key part of finding financial and spiritual freedom is found in simplicity and in exercising restraint.

With the help of God, we can

- S_____ our lives and silence the voices constantly telling us we need more.
- Live counterculturally by living b_____, not above, our means.
- Build into our budgets the money to buy with c_____ instead of credit.
- Build into our budgets what we need to live g_____ and f_____.

Enough

When Dreams Become Nightmares



WELCOME

Message from the Pastor

What characterizes the greatest hopes, desires, and dreams of most Americans? For most people, the American Dream has to do with a desire for achieving success and satisfying the desire for material possessions. It is the opportunity to pursue more than what we have, to gain more than what we have, and to meet success. We tend to measure our success by the stuff that we possess. The love of money and the things money can buy is a primary or secondary motive behind most of what we Americans do. We want to consume, acquire, and buy our way to happiness—and we want it now.

I have often found that when I prepare to preach on a particular topic I'm preaching to myself as much as anyone else. Preparing this upcoming worship and study series has especially been convicting to me. Over the next few weeks, we will look at some of the financial challenges facing us as a nation and examine our own spending, saving, and giving habits. In addition to exploring biblical principles of financial management, we will learn ways to assess our financial situation and develop a financial plan that will allow us to experience the true joy that comes through simplicity and generosity.

We are glad you are here on this World Communion Sunday as we join together with Christians all around the world in celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and we begin a church wide study and worship emphasis called Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity.


Rev. Clark

WHO WE ARE

Our Vision

We believe that God has put us here at this time to faithfully seek Him and make Him known through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Our Values*

Prayer, Love, Worship
Bible-Based Preaching & Teaching
Children & Youth Ministry
Discovering God's vision for our church

What We Believe

Many people believe they are Christian because they were born into a religious home or they go to church, tried their best, or are a moral person. However, the Bible teaches that these things do not make you a Christian. You become a Christian simply by:

1. Acknowledging that you, like all people have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. The Bible calls sin a desire to live independently of God. (Romans 3:23)
2. Personally believing that Jesus Christ died for your sins on the cross and rose again. (Romans 6:23)
3. Repenting (turning away from your sins), confessing, and accepting Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. (Romans 10:9)

You may express your desire and belief in prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving grace as God's gift to you. The Bible is clear that we all enter into a relationship with God through His mercy and grace.

***Bold = Focus of Today's Message**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 7, 2018 | Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Pastoral Welcome & Announcements

Inviting God's Presence and Action: Father, we know that contentment with godliness is of great benefit. It brings about a lasting peace and grateful heart that only you can give. Help us to not focus so much on the material possessions that we lose sight of that which is of vital importance. May the character of our souls and the fruit of our actions be of much greater importance than the perishable goods that capture our attention. We look to you for proper balance in the things you have blessed us with and the attitude in which we receive these good things from your hands. Amen.

Prelude "Come Christians Join to Sing" — arr. Job Smoot

Call to Worship Liturgist — Larry Dodgen

Leader: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

Congregation: We gather with them in heart and mind.

Leader: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

Congregation: As part of that body we join in its unity.

Leader: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

Congregation: Let us worship together, let us share God's bounty.

***Hymn of Praise** "For the Beauty of the Earth" #92 - vs. 1, 4, & 5

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Welcome and Greet Please greet one another as we pass the Peace of Christ

Anthem "Look At the World" - by John Rutter — Chancel Choir

Children's Time Rev. Clark Atkins

Joys & Concerns

Mission Moment

Giving of God's Tithes, Our Offerings and Our "Extra Dollars"†

Offertory "In Christ Alone" — arr. Job Smoot

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.

***October Memory Verse** Luke 12:15
"And Jesus said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.'"

***Scripture Reading** 1 Timothy 6:10b; Ecclesiastes 5:10; Matthew 16:26
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon **Enough: When Dreams Become Nightmares** Rev. Clark Atkins

Service of Word and Table pg. 12
"The Great Thanksgiving" - text adapted by Rebecca Rutter
Music "Hallelujah" by Leonard Cohen

***Hymn of Commitment** "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" #295 - vs. 1, 2, & 4

***Benediction:** The Lord bless you, and keep you; The Lord make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

***Benediction Response** "Go Now In Peace" - #665
Go now in peace
Go now in peace
May the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere you may go.
(Sing 2 times)

Postlude "Take the Name of Jesus with You" — arr. Job Smoot

*Please stand if able

September Memorials were in honor of:

Joe Zimmerman
Trenton McCarver

GREETERS:

Date	Sanctuary West 8:45 AM	Sanctuary East 8:45 AM	Sanctuary West 10:50 AM	Sanctuary East 10:50 AM
October 7	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey
October 14	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey
October 21	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey
October 28	Ann Lowerre	Billie Jean Buckler	Mallory Coffey	Daulton Coffey

NURSERY

Childcare for infant, toddler, and preschool aged children is provided during both services. There is also a nursing mothers room located just off the Fellowship Hall. While the nursery is available for our youngest members, parents with school-aged students are encouraged to bring their children to the worship services. Kids activity packs are available on the table in the Narthex.

†EXTRA DOLLARS

There is a brochure with the story of the "Extra Dollar" in the Information Rack in the Welcome Center.

CONNECT CARD

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We are so glad that you are here and hope you feel at home as you join us in worship. Whether you are a guest, or a member, please fill out and return this card so we can know you were here!

Please Check Appropriate Box:

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Names of children ages 0-18 in attendance today: _____

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Check here if you would like to be added to our weekly email list.

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Joys, Concerns, God Sightings: _____

Check box if you do not wish to have your prayer requests published.

**If you are a first time guest today, we have a gift for you! Please go to the welcome table outside the chapel where your completed "Connect Card" may be traded for a gift certificate to Barnett's Dairyette.*