# Working Through Our Differences



Galatians 2:1-10

**Connecting the Scenes (Acts 11)** 

**Recognizing Our Differences** 

**Finding Our Common Ground** 

**TODAY:** [part 1] The Bible reminds us that God's people need each other; so how do we work through our differences to find common ground?

**NEXT WEEK:** [part 2] The Bible reminds us that God's people need each other; so how do we work through our differences to find common ground?

### **DEACONS REPORT**

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Sept 13:

Received for General Ministries: \$9,128.30

Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00

Received for Christian Education: \$465.00

Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

**Community Offering:** 

Love INC \$254.78

**Upcoming Community Offerings** 

**TODAY**: **CRC** – **Safe Church Ministry** equips congregations in abuse

awareness, prevention, and response. They help build communities where the value of each person is honored; where people are free to worship and grow free from abuse; and where abuse has occurred, to foster healing.

**Sep 27**: 70x7 Life Recovery

Oct 4: Rehoboth Christian School

Oct 11: World Vision

Oct 18: CRCNA- Disability Concerns

**THIS WEEK** 

Monday, Sept 21

9am Food Pantry

Tuesday, Sept 22

9:15am Tuesday Small Group

5pm Love INC Fundraiser 6:30pm Life Skills

7pm Elders/Deacons

Sunday, Sept 27

10am Outdoor Worship

5:30pm Middle School Youth

Group (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade)

7pm High School Youth Group

COMING UP STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)
KIDS FOOD BASKET, Sept 28

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

LIFESKILLS, Sept 29

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

WORSHIP COMMITTEE, Oct 5

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)
Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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**September 20, 2020** 

**WELCOME we are glad you are here!** 

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

## Call to Worship

How Great Thou Art Your Grace Is Enough

God's Will For Our Lives

Restore My Soul

**Prayers of the People** 

**Scripture** *Galatians 2:1-10* 

<sup>1</sup> Then after fourteen years, I went up again to Jerusalem, this time with Barnabas. I took Titus along also. <sup>2</sup>I went in response to a revelation and, meeting privately with those esteemed as leaders, I presented to them the gospel that I preach among the Gentiles. I wanted to be sure I was not running and had not been running my race in vain. <sup>3</sup> Yet not even Titus, who was with me, was compelled to be circumcised, even though he was a Greek. <sup>4</sup> This matter arose because some false believers had infiltrated our ranks to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus and to make us slaves. <sup>5</sup> We did not give in to them for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you.

<sup>6</sup> As for those who were held in high esteem—whatever they were makes no difference to me; God does not show favoritism—they added nothing to my message. <sup>7</sup> On the contrary, they recognized that I had been entrusted with the task of preaching the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been to the circumcised. <sup>8</sup> For God, who was at work in Peter as an apostle to the circumcised, was also at work in me as an apostle to the Gentiles. <sup>9</sup> James, Cephas and John, those esteemed as pillars, gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship when they recognized the grace given to me. They agreed that we should go to the Gentiles, and they to the circumcised. <sup>10</sup> All they asked was that we should continue to remember the poor, the very thing I had been eager to do all along.

Message "Working Through Our Differences" [part 1]

Facing A Task Unfinished (We Go To All The World)

**God's Parting Blessing** 

# **CHURCH LIFE**

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASSES**

- October 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>
- Meets for 30 minutes immediately following worship.
- Attendance does not commit you to making profession of faith.
- Contact Pastor Barb or Pastor Tom if you plan to attend or would like more information.

#### **CHURCH SCHOOL**

As plans are being made for the new ministry year, we need a teacher or two who can team to work with our church school class for grades 3-6. Please contact **Pastor Barb** for more information.

#### **YOUTH GROUP**

Our Youth Groups kick off next Sunday, Sept 27. Our middle school group (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet from 5:30-6:30pm and our high school group from 7-8pm. We will use the time between 6:30 & 7pm to transition from one group to the next while enjoying a quick snack. We plan to meet outdoors as much as possible, so please dress accordingly and bring a mask should we need to move things indoors!

#### **THANK YOU**

Fellowship CRC - Thank you so much for your participation in Stuff the Bus and your contribution of backpacks & supplies for Central Elementary. We are blessed and honored to partner with you to serve our community! Blessings ~ Cindy Jarvis, for Love INC.

#### THANK YOU

Thank you once again for an amazing blood drive. We are so thankful for your willingness to help us continue to serve the community by offering blood drives at church. ~ Versiti Blood

Goal: 20

Number of Donors: 19

Successful Donations: **18** whole blood, **1** double red = 20!

Lives saved in our community: 56!

#### DIRECTORY

Thank you for your help in making sure that your directory listing is up to date. Directories will be printed soon and we will get a copy into your hands.

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Bob Eggerding -9/1

4760 Sheri Lynn Dr

Wyoming MI 49519

Bonnie Houtstra - 9/23

4253 Redbush Dr.

Grandville MI 49418

# **OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER**

#### KIDS FOOD BASKET

KFB is scheduling only a month out and we have 6 spots reserved for our group on Monday, September 28 from 5:30-8pm. These spots will be held until Sept 21st.

- Everyone must use our group specific link to register: http://vhub.at/YRKTZW
- Everyone, including youth, must be registered & wear a mask
- Registration must be completed by September 21<sup>st</sup>. Any open slots will be released on that deadline to be filled by other volunteers.

We can schedule another block in October. If you are interested in either the 5:30-8pm packing of food or the 6-7:30pm food prep shifts, please let **Sara Meengs** know that you'd like to attend in October?

#### **BACKPACK BUDDIES**

September food needs:

Canned chicken, Nutrigrain bars, Individual applesauce cups or fruit cups, Canned soups (chicken or beef), Canned pastas (ravioli etc). If it's easier for you, Aldi and Meijer gift cards or cash donations can be made to deacons marked for BPB.

Items should be placed in the Back-Pack Buddies box.

Thanks so much for your care and support. Questions? Contact Sandy Campo.

#### **LIFE SKILLS**

We continue to meet on Tuesdays for class and mentoring. We are still in need of a couple more mentors. Contact **Laura VanderPloeg** for more information on how to become a mentor.

#### LOVE INC FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry and Call Center has re-opened on Mondays from 9-noon. Our food supply is currently plentiful. If there is a tugging at your heart to hear more about what we do, talk to **Bonnie Houtstra**, **Mary Visser**, **Sharon Walcott**, or **Nancy VanDenBerg**. We would love more volunteers!

# **PRAYER FOCUS**

#### **Denomination:**

• Safe Church ministry which equips congregations in abuse awareness, prevention & response.

#### **Continuing Needs:**

- Remember in prayer those who are not able to worship with us on Sundays and have restrictions on visitors: Gloria DeWitte, Caroline Dik, Lois Oom, Rachel Tjoelker, Phil and Char VanDommelen.
- Remember in your prayers those who have ongoing health needs and concerns: Russ Ballinger, Ryan Brunink, Kristie Buchholz, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Jo Hanenburg, Len Koetje, Gary Meengs, Arv & Pearl Tap, Tom & Donna Westra, and Don Winkle.