

## Working Through Our Differences [part 2]

Galatians 2:11-21



### Connecting the Scenes (Romans 14)

### When We Disagree with Each Other

### Finding Our Common Ground

**TODAY:** [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?

**NEXT WEEK:** We welcome Pastor **Ron Fynewever** to bring us a message from God's Word.

#### DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Sept 20:

Received for General Ministries: \$2,414.00  
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$6,445.00  
Received for Christian Education: \$435.00  
Avg. weekly collection should be: \$629.20

#### **Community Offering:**

CRC Safe Church Ministry \$61.35

#### Upcoming Community Offerings

**TODAY: CRC – 70x7 Life Recovery** brings hope to men and women coming home from prison or jail by providing meaningful community, employment success, and a deepening relationship with God. Their vision is to see the collaborative action of church, commerce, and community break the cycle of crime and incarceration. They provide training and instruction that lead to long-term employment, which provide for physical needs. They also set-up mentoring relationships that lead to purpose and potential.

**Oct 4:** Rehoboth Christian School

**Oct 11:** World Vision

**Oct 18:** CRCNA- Disability Concerns

**Oct 25:** Bible League International

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#### THIS WEEK

##### **Monday, Sept 28**

9am Food Pantry  
5:30pm Kid's Food Basket

##### **Tuesday, Sept 29**

9:15am Tuesday Small Group  
6:30pm Life Skills

##### **Sunday, Oct 4**

10am Outdoor Worship

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#### COMING UP

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE,** Oct 5

**LIFE SKILLS,** Oct 6

**ADMIN BOARD,** Oct 13

#### STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)

Barb Sanders (Pastor)

Andrew Lenhart (Worship)

Sherri DeVries (Custodian)

Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)



**September 27, 2020**

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

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Call to Worship

*Come Thou Fount (I Will Sing)*  
*This Is Amazing Grace*

### Confession of Sin & Assurance of Grace

*Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)*

### Prayers of the People

**Scripture** *Galatians 2:11-21*

<sup>11</sup>When Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned. <sup>12</sup>For before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group. <sup>13</sup>The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray.

<sup>14</sup>When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas in front of them all, "You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs?"

<sup>15</sup>"We who are Jews by birth and not sinful Gentiles <sup>16</sup>know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

<sup>17</sup>"But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we Jews find ourselves also among the sinners, doesn't that mean that Christ promotes sin? Absolutely not! <sup>18</sup>If I rebuild what I destroyed, then I really would be a lawbreaker.

<sup>19</sup>"For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. <sup>20</sup>I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. <sup>21</sup>I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

**Message** "Working Through Our Differences" [part 2]

*At The Cross (Love Ran Red)*

**Commission & blessing of Church School teachers**

**God's Parting Blessing**

## CHURCH LIFE

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE INQUIRED, the two books that **Pastor Tom** mentioned in last week's message are:

- N.T. Wright, *God and the Pandemic*
- Kevin Harney, Bob Bouwer, *The U-Turn Church*

### 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

We are still in need of 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 kicks off **tonight!** 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 received a letter of appreciation for our gift from Resonate Global Mission on behalf of **Jesse** and **Jari Rodriguez**. Fellowship also received a letter of thanks from the Pregnancy Resource Center for a recent offering on their behalf.

### KEY

We are missing a "key" to the west doors of the church. This is the key that keeps the door unlocked. If you happen to come across it, please return it to the office!

### 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

### BACKPACK BUDDIES

**October** food needs:

- *Fruit cups/ Applesauce cups*
- *Raisins*
- *Nutrigrain Bars*
- *Chunky style Chicken Soup or Beef Soup*
- *Tuna*
- *Tuna Helper*
- *Chicken Helper*
- *Gift Cards to Aldi or Meijer (can be given to the Deacons or to Sandy)*

Items may 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

### Church Life:

- Remember our Church School students and teachers as the new (and different) ministry year begins this morning.

### Outreach:

- **70 x 7** as they seek to bring hope to men and women coming home from prison or jail by providing meaningful community, employment success, and a deepening relationship with God.

### 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**.