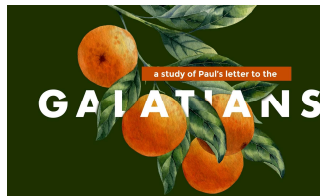


Double Standard

Galatians 3:1-14



Five Questions

The Standard of the Law

The Standard of Faith

TODAY: Faith and the law set two different standards; one brings life and freedom, the other brings curse and condemnation

NEXT WEEK: The covenant promise of God in the Bible is more than a ticket to eternal salvation, it is also an invitation to a new community of people

DEACONS REPORT

Thanks to the congregation for the gifts received on Sept 27:

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| Received for General Ministries: | \$2,408.00 |
| Avg. weekly collection should be: | \$6,445.00 |
| Received for Christian Education: | \$5.00 |
| Avg. weekly collection should be: | \$629.20 |

Community Offering:

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| 70x7 Life Recovery | \$492.21 |
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Upcoming Community Offerings

TODAY: World Vision For nearly 70 years, World Vision has been committed to protecting and caring for children and those who are poor and oppressed. They look to support those who most need help and transform their lives. This is accomplished through community-based and sustainable transformational development, providing emergency relief, seeking to change unjust structures, increasing public awareness of issues, and witnessing for Jesus Christ.

- Oct 18:** CRCNA- Disability Concerns
- Oct 25:** Bible League International
- Nov 1:** World Renew – World Hunger Sunday
- Nov 8:** Desert Streams Ministry - Lonts

THIS WEEK

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| Monday, Oct 12 9am Food Pantry | Sunday, Oct 18 9:30am Worship 10:30am Church School Profession of Faith Class (rm 21) 5:30pm Middle School Youth 7pm High School Youth Group |
| Tuesday, Oct 13 9:15am Tuesday Small Group 6:30pm Life Skills 7pm Admin Board | |

COMING UP

LIFE SKILLS, Oct 20
ELDERS/DEACONS, Oct 27

STAFF

Tom VanderPloeg (Pastor)
Barb Sanders (Pastor)
Andrew Lenhart (Worship)
Sherri DeVries (Custodian)
Liz Boerman (Admin Assistant)

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October 11, 2020

WELCOME
we are glad you are here!

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME in our service

Also available during worship

- Nursery for infants & toddlers
- “Busy Boxes” with kid’s bulletin & activities
- Puzzle & sermon notes written by Pastor Tom for students Grades 3 & up (found by weekly bulletins)

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & SONGSHEETS are available at the sound booth

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Scripture *Galatians 3:1-14*

You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified. ²I would like to learn just one thing from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by believing what you heard? ³Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh? ⁴Have you experienced so much in vain—if it really was in vain? ⁵So again I ask, does God give you his Spirit and work miracles among you by the works of the law, or by your believing what you heard? ⁶So also Abraham “believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

⁷Understand, then, that those who have faith are children of Abraham. ⁸Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: “All nations will be blessed through you.” ⁹So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

¹⁰For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: “Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law.” ¹¹Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because “the righteous will live by faith.” ¹²The law is not based on faith; on the contrary, it says, “The person who does these things will live by them.” ¹³Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: “Cursed is everyone who is hung on a pole.” ¹⁴He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit.

Message “Double Standard”

*Living Hope
Beautiful One
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Sacrament of Communion

God's Parting Blessing

TODAY:

Sacrament of Communion

9:30am Worship

10:30am Church School

10:30am Profession of Faith Class (room 21)

CHURCH LIFE

TODAY we will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at the conclusion of the worship service.



DIRECTORIES

2020/21 member directories are in mailboxes today. There are a few extra copies available at the Welcome Center.

PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASSES

- October 11th, 18th & 25th
- Meets for 30 minutes immediately following worship – Rm 21.
- 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.

PETER FISH

 **Anybody want to feed some fish?**  In three weeks, we will be observing World Hunger Sunday and taking a collection on behalf of World Renew's work with our hungry brothers and sisters worldwide. Look for the Peter Fish banks and envelopes and devotional books for both children and adults on Sunday, October 18!

PRAYER FOCUS

Church Life:

- For the families who attend the **Life Skill Classes** on Tuesday night to continue to learn and grow in their spiritual lives.
- For the work done through the **Love INC Food Pantry** that it brings hope and makes a meaningful impression on those they help.

Missions:

- **World Vision** who has been committed to protecting and caring for children and those who are poor and oppressed. They look to support those who most need help and transform their lives.

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, Kristie Buchholz, Ron Dykstra, Valerie Fleming, Jo Hanenburg, Len Koetje, Gary Meengs, Arv & Pearl Tap, Tom & Donna Westra, and Don Winkle.**

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

A decision has been made to not re-start this class until Covid conditions improve and/or a vaccine becomes available. Questions? Please see Mike Philo or Dave Cook.

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.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Phil Van Dommelen – 10/17

Railside Assisted Living Center
7955 Byron Center Ave SW
Byron Center MI 49315

OUTREACH/VOLUNTEER

BACKPACK BUDDIES

October food needs:

Fruit cups/ Applesauce cups, raisins, nutrigain bars, chunky-style chicken or beef soup, tuna, tuna helper, chicken helper, gift cards to Aldi or Meijer (can be given to the Deacons or Sandy Campo).

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

The Food Pantry is up and running on Monday mornings from 9-12. We would love to add more times. We have a couple more interested in volunteering but could use more! This does not have to be an every week commitment. If you want to help out every other week or even once a month, we could use you. We invite you to meet with the current volunteers on Monday, Oct. 26 at 10am in the Food Pantry. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to **Bonnie Houtstra, Nancy VanDenBerg, Mary Visser** or **Linda Westra.**