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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ARP LAKE WALES, FL

“...a Christ-centered fellowship of believers devoted to glorifying God through true worship, personal evangelism, discipleship, and servanthood.”

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Leadership

STEWARDSHIP

From Pastor Chad

From the very beginning of time, humans, being created in the image of God, have been called as stewards over God's domain. Recall the Lord's words to Adam and Eve, and through them to us, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth," (Genesis 1:28). This is the call of a master to His stewards, to oversee His domain to the glory of His name. The Fall has made that calling impossible for us in and of ourselves, as not only do we in our sin manage the Lord's "estate" poorly, too often bringing thorns and thistles from the ground instead of fruit, but we also see any success we do have as a glory to ourselves rather than to God.

What then are we to do? If in our sin we are miserable servants, deserving of the Master's displeasure and judgment, then where is our hope? Better yet, in whom is our hope and in whom can we find the wisdom, strength, and desire to rightly serve our great and glorious Master? The answer of course is Jesus Christ. As the Son of God incarnate He has become what Adam failed to be. He has become the godly steward over God's domain who served the Lord in perfect obedience, never looking for His own glory apart from that of His Father but only ever serving and stewarding in such a way that God's kingdom would be fruitful and prosperous, multiplying in the hearts and souls of His many sons and daughters from every tribe and nation and tongue.

The epitome of Christ's stewardship is seen on the cross where He willingly and obediently laid down His life in order to see it taken up on the third day, raised in glory. It would have been a gain in and of itself had His own resurrection been all the fruit that Christ's death yielded. But it isn't. His death led not only to His own glorious resurrection but to the resurrection of all who have been given to Him. He has not lost one of those whom the Father has entrusted to Him. Christ is the firstfruits, the firstborn from among the dead. Where Adam failed and led all of humanity into sin and death, Christ has

succeeded and led the elect into life and righteousness (1 Corinthians 15:20-23). Christ's sacrificial stewardship of His very life on our behalf has made it such that we who are in Him can steward our time, talents, treasures, our very lives even, to the glory of God the Father.

Each of us has been given different roles to play and different gifts to steward, depending on *God's varied grace* as we serve one another to His glory (1 Peter 4:10-11). Are you serving His Church to the glory of His name by being a godly steward of your Spiritual gifts (Romans 12:3-8; 1 Corinthians 12-14)? Of your natural talents? Of your time? Of your treasures (financial resources)? Let us, as a congregation, encourage one another to grow in our stewardship of all that God has entrusted to us.

You will soon receive the proposed budget for 2019. We, the members of First Presbyterian Church, will vote on this budget at our annual congregational meeting in December. This budget will display the financial perspective of what it will take to do the ministries that the elders believe we are called to carry out in the coming year. Please be in prayer, asking the Lord to work in all of our hearts that we would give generously and cheerfully to the ministries of His church. Keep in mind that the budget is just one aspect of our stewardship. We need not only be godly stewards of our money but we also need to wisely, faithfully, and joyfully steward our time and talents as well, serving in our church, our community, and in the world to the glory of His name. Please join me in praying for the Lord to give us the grace to be Christlike stewards of all His many blessings. ■

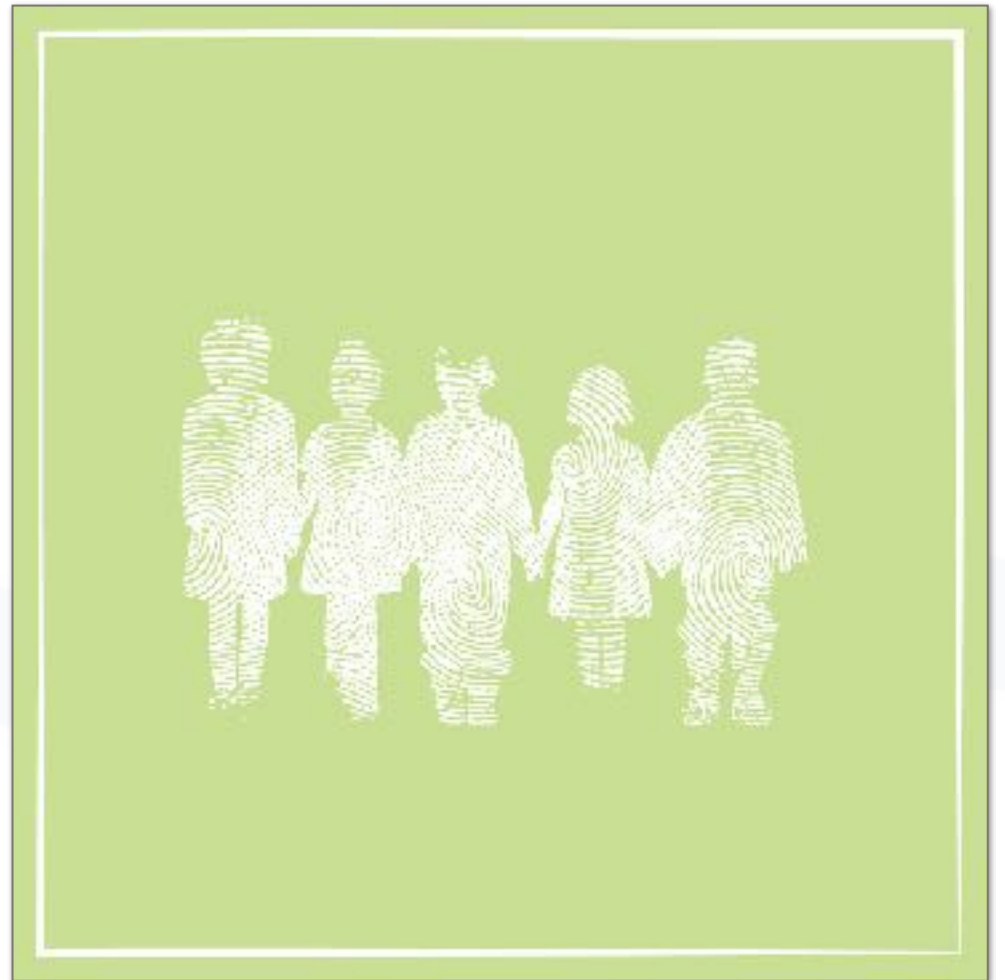


SERMON SERIES

WHO WE ARE FALL 2018 SERMON SERIES

From Pastor Chad

Identity is an important concept for us as humans. How do we define who we are as individuals, as families, as businesses, as societies, etc.? This is an important question for us to ask of ourselves as a congregation as well. Who are we? What makes us the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Wales? One succinct way we might answer these questions would be to point ourselves and others to our vision statement - *The vision of the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Wales, Florida is to be a Christ-centered fellowship of believers devoted to true worship, personal evangelism, discipleship, and servanthood.*



From October 28 - November 25, I will preach a sermon series that seeks to expound, from the Scriptures, some of the key aspects of our identity as a congregation as stated in our vision statement. As we work our way through the Biblical texts each week we will see the already and not yet realities of who we are in Christ. In other words, we will see that some of this is true of us already because of who Christ is and what He has done for us. We will also see that, in other ways, these aspects of our identity together in Christ are still works in progress, which we are pursuing by His grace with the leading of the Holy Spirit. ■

Who We Are - A Sermon Series

Date	Main Scripture	Supporting Scriptures	Sermon Title
October 28	Hebrews 10:19-25	Acts 2:42-47; Ephesians 2:11-22; 4:1-16	A People United in Christ for His Glory
November 4	Revelation 4:1-11; 5:1-14	Hebrews 12:18-29	A People Made for Heavenly Worship
November 11	Matthew 28:16-20	Deuteronomy 6:1-9	A People Following Christ Together
November 18	1 John 3:16-18	Matthew 25:31-46	A People with Christlike Servants' Hearts
November 25	Luke 10:25-37	Acts 13:1-3	A People Loving Others with Christ's Eternal Love

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

September 2018 Session Highlights

The elders of First Presbyterian Church meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday. The following are some highlights from the September 25 meeting.

- The Session and Diaconate have both been reading and discussing the book, *The Hole in Our Holiness*, by Kevin DeYoung, at their monthly meetings in 2018. This month we read and discussed Chapter 8, "Saints and Sexual Immorality" In this chapter, DeYoung discusses the reality of sexual sin and the struggles Christians face as we seek to put our own lust to death and pursue purity and holiness. This is particularly difficult in a world where sensuality, eroticism, and sex are readily available to us all in seemingly anonymous, private, and harmless forms on our various media platforms. Particular attention was given to 1 Corinthians 6:12-20.
- The Session heard a presentation from members of Florida Presbytery's Church Extension Committee encouraging FPC to prayerfully consider intentionally planting a church in the next 3-5 years.
- A recommendation from the Personnel Committee to add a new staff position, currently titled Director of Church Communications and Children's Ministry, was approved pending congregational approval of the budget in December. A committee will be formed to flesh out the qualifications and duties that will be required. Information about this potential new position will be presented to the congregation in the days ahead. Please be in prayer about this.
- Stewardship and Finance reported that as of the end of August tithes and offerings toward the church's general budget are at 62.64% of the annual budget. This is ahead of the average of 56.69% (2013-2017) our church has historically received by the end of August. Praise was given to God in prayer for His financial blessing.
- The Session reviewed the list of potential candidates for the offices of deacon and elder. These candidates will participate in a six hour officer training program as a prerequisite for potential nomination to serve the Church as an officer. Please keep these candidates and the nominations process in your prayers.
- The chairmen of the committees of the Session gave reports of the work and ministry they are overseeing (see the ministry sections of the Diligent for more on these ministries). Prayer was offered after each report, asking for the Lord's guidance and blessing.
- A season of prayer was had for various needs within our congregation, community, and world.

PRAYER FOCUSES

OCTOBER 7

The Church throughout the World

OCTOBER 14

Bridge: Europe/Pikes

OCTOBER 21

Church Planting/ Trinity Presbyterian Church in Norman, Ok

OCTOBER 28

Stewardship

CHURCH OFFICERS

Moderator: Rev. Chad Reynolds

Vice Moderator: Rev. Mackay Smith

Clerk of Session: David Nelson

Chairman of Deacons: Jake Cockrell

Deacon Secretary: David Kennedy Nelson

Chm. of the Congregation: Scott Blackburn

Treasurer: Michelle Hurst (2018-2019)

Asst. Treasurer: Daniel Hunt (2018-2019)

ELDERS

2018

Josh Behr
Jack Brandies
Jim Weaver
Gill Wingate

2019

Andy Hunt
Daniel Hunt
David Nelson
Jimmy Seay

2020

John Dubois
Stewart Hurst
Ed Lamb
Fox Rawlings

2021

Mike Berkau
Paul Benner

DEACONS

2018

Laura Hunt
Robert Meeker
Scott Smith
JB Wynn

2019

Jake Cockrell
Troy Hershberger
Kevin Kohl
Michael Matteson
Wendy Moore

2020

David Bass
Lynne Hulen
Rob McCollum
David Kennedy Nelson

Discipleship

LOVE: NOT VOLUNTEERISM

From Pastor Mackay

This is the final month of exploring our four objectives for Adult Small Groups: Teaching, Fellowship, Outreach, and Service.

“And let us now grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.” - Gal. 6:9

How does, “I believe in Jesus,” translate to, “I’m sitting here keeping the nursery and covered in mushy Goldfish crumbs?” Are the two related? Let’s make a few connections.

A foundational element of faith in God (“I believe...”), is trust in God. Beyond affirming His existence, the essence of Christianity is that we place our greatest hopes for ourselves and our families in line with His plan of salvation for us. We admit that none of our sin-laden ambitions are worth the judgment that comes in rejecting God’s gracious invitation to surrender to the authority of Jesus.

One of the primary ways that trust is expressed is allegiance. Jesus explains that our trust in God is expressed in our allegiance to Him. Seek first the Kingdom of God, Jesus says; before we are loyal to career, to friends, even to family, we are to run with all our might after God in Christ.

And what does that running look like? At the very least, it looks like obedience to God's directives. To complete the chain from belief to truth to allegiance to obedience, we find the command of God: love one another. In his letter to the Galatians, Paul explains what it means to do that. It involves bearing each other’s burdens. Jesus is the chief and greatest burden-bearer; on our behalf. This is how he has loved us. And now, with the freedom he has purchased, we are called to serve, to love, and to give to each other.

See the connection? Our belief implies a life of service to others; the drool kids in the nursery included. The church can seem like a never-ending stream of requests to do

something. Whether it’s keeping a program going, teaching children, bringing food, or any number of tasks; we all know what it means to be asked to volunteer.

Yet, given that our service is rooted in God's love for us and our response of faith, I’m not sure I like that word, “volunteer.” The word implies that the option to work is completely open to the individual. They can jump in (and in the process be lauded for sacrificing their time for a higher calling), or they cannot. This is not the picture that Jesus paints of His people. Our freedom in Christ is also called slavery to righteousness (Romans 6:18), indicating that our allegiance to God, and its subsequent service to the saints is not optional. It is the condition into which the price of Jesus’ blood has bought us.

So, would you think of that next time you are asked to help? You are not a volunteer in the church, you are a servant. First and foremost, you are a servant to God in Jesus. Then, by God’s logic, you are also a servant to all those others God has called to be His people.

It is my prayer that our Small Groups would be a training ground for such radical service to one another. I am so encouraged by all the stories I hear of exactly this sort of love, but until Jesus returns, there will always be effects of sin to be countered, hurting people to be comforted, and worthy ministries to be undertaken. ■

TRIVIA NIGHT

Wednesday, October 24

The Discipleship Committee invites you to an evening of fun and fellowship together. After our normally scheduled supper, we will mix up among the tables in Fellowship Hall, take a break from our journey through the Bible, and play a few rounds of trivia together.

EKKLESIA

Ekklesia continues each Wednesday evening. Come be refreshed in the Word in the middle of the week.

SCHEDULE:

6:00 - Supper for All Ages
6:25 - Youth and Children Dismissed
6:30-7:30 - Children's Program
6:45 - Adult Singing and Corporate Prayer Time
6:55 - 7:25 - Adult Bible Lesson
7:30 - Chancel Choir

ADULT BIBLE STUDY TOPIC:

The Bible from 30,000 Feet

We continue our high-level journey through the entire Bible. This month:

October 3 - Joshua, Judges, Ruth
October 10 - 1-2 Samuel
October 17 - 1-2 Kings; 1-2 Chronicles
October 24 - Ekklesia Trivia Night
October 31 - Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther



FALL SPECIAL EVENTS:

The Discipleship Committee is planning several unique opportunities this fall.

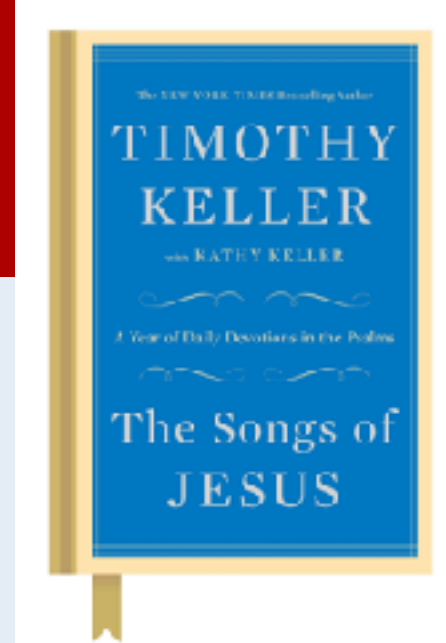
Oct. 24 - Fellowship Night: Trivia!
After supper, we'll mix up tables and enjoy an evening of fellowship through a Trivia competition.

Dec. 12 - Community Service Project
Stay tuned for more details!

Dec. 19 - (Tentative) Congregational Meeting and Supper

This fall, Ekklesia will *not* meet on: Nov 21; Dec. 26; Jan. 2

THE BOOK NOOK



The Songs of Jesus: A Year of Daily Devotions in the Psalms
By Timothy Keller with Kathy Keller

With a Psalm reading, short commentary, and prayer each day, this book offers an enriching year meditating on all 150 Psalms. Use this book to supplement your daily devotional habits, or allow a master Bible-teacher to help you begin a habit of daily study.

The Songs of Jesus is available for a suggested donation of \$12.29
The Book Nook is located in the Church Parlor, behind the Chapel.

SAVE THE DATE



Friday & Saturday February 8-9
"What did you Expect?"
With Dr. Paul Tripp
Marriage Seminar Livestream

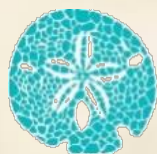
Somehow, somehow, every marriage becomes a struggle. Everyone's marriage morphs into something they didn't intend it to be. At some point you need something sturdier than romance. You need something deeper than shared interests and mutual attraction. You need changed expectations, you need radical commitments, and, most importantly, you need grace.

Florida ARP Women's Ministry Annual Meeting



Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 11 A.M.

Registration begins at 9:30am with Refreshments
Lunch to follow the meeting



Morning Star Presbyterian Church

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Colossians 3:17 - "A Life Worth Living"

Speaker: Dail Hovey

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

If you are interested in attending please call the church office by
Friday, October 12

IGLESIA EN MOVIMIENTO

From Tim & Barbara Sewell

Dear friends,

We are so grateful for your prayers and interest in "Iglesia en Movimiento". In a season of fruitful busyness at First Presbyterian Church of Lake Placid, we were still able to complete all of the requirements of the church plant 'exploratory year' for our denomination. God was very merciful and generous, bringing some amazing people to help us during an overwhelming year of ministry. Some highlights of our exploratory year would be: (1) after the hurricane we were able to provide relief to 200 Hispanic families in September and October, (2) we send one 16 wheeler trailer full of relief resources to Puerto Rico. (3) By the Grace of God, we were also able to develop a core group of 15 individuals. These families have caught the vision of *Iglesia en Movimiento* to such a level that we now have (4) five families who have joined the 'mission role' awaiting membership with IEM. (5) At First Presbyterian Church of Lake Placid, we were also started providing Spanish translation in our 11am am contemporary service. (6) In January we also hosted a large outreach in the neighborhood of Highland Cove Apartments for the "Three Kings" holiday. We had 250 people in attendance. (7) Finally, we began church plant training with our core group by

During the exploratory year, the Genesis Center at Lake Placid ARP hosted 4 quinceaneras (a biblically based 'sweet 16 party') with over 300 people in attendance at each event. These events allowed pastor Tim to officiate the ceremonies and develop relationships with various people in the Latino community.

Currently, we have seven families involved with small groups on Wednesday night. Please keep praying! God is moving here in Lake Placid, Florida. The interest level in 'Iglesia En Movimiento' is high and we have a growing relationship with the Latino community. With Tim being full-time as a church planter this year we are praying for God to move in powerful ways. We cherish your prayers and support. Please see the prayer list for specific ways to pray for the church plant. Most of all please pray for three specific things this quarter: (1) Pray we can start two more small groups in the community. (2) Pray, we can recruit 100 people on our prayer team, and (3) pray we can develop 30 financial partners in the next few months. Thank you again for your support of [Iglesia en Movimiento](#).

Pastor

Tim and Barbara Sewell ■

YEAR 1 PRAYER LIST

- A growing passion for Latinos in Highlands County, Fl.
- For the finances of *Iglesia en Movimiento*
- Protection of the core groups physical health
- Protection of the core groups marriages
- Protection of the core groups families
- A deep spirit of prayer and fasting.
- Unity of goals, vision, strategies for the core group
- Increasing unity and family dynamic in small groups and discipleship groups
- Healthy relationship with the mother church.
- Pray against spiritual attacks from within the group.
- Pray against spiritual strongholds from outside.
- Pray for encouragement and passion the core group members
- Pray for more and more people of peace in the local community
- Pray for a passionate and creative spirit of Biblical worship music.
- Pray for unity in the mist of various ethnicities and socioeconomic backgrounds in the latino community .
- Pray against those that would seek to harm our women, youth, and children.
- Pray for discernment and wisdom to focus on discipleship and outreach.



MISSIONS

UPDATES & PRAYER

ROES IN KENYA

Please pray for Morgan and Patti Roe, along with three of their sons, as they continue to minister in Kenya throughout the Fall. If you would like to receive weekly updates from them send an email to morganhroe@gmail.com.



PIKES IN FRANCE

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for your prayers and support as we acclimate to daily life in language school. Please continue to pray for our children as one enters the French public school system at the end of September and the other waits to be placed. Emma and I are busy with language school and we all look forward to the day we can communicate well in French. Please be in prayer for us as we interact with others at school and in the community, and as we build vocabulary as well as new relationships. We miss you and pray the Lord's blessing on you as you also live out the call that He has placed on your lives. We are grateful for your partnership.

In Christ's love, Colby & Emma

MISSIONS LOBBY

The Lobby next to the Family Life Center kitchen was transformed earlier this year into the FPC Missions Lobby. Check it out during Ekklesia or on any given Sunday. The walls are adorned with pictures of the ministry leaders we support locally, in Florida, and to the ends of the earth. Take the opportunity to pray for these folks as you walk through there.

FALL MISSIONS SUNDAY

Sunday, October 21, will be our Fall Missions Sunday. Rev. Justin Westmoreland, Mission Church Developer for Trinity Presbyterian Church (ARP) of Norman, OK, will be our morning and evening preacher. Make plans to join us for worship and a joint small group that morning (9:30 and 11:00 am) and dinner followed by evening worship that night (5:30 pm). Be on the lookout for further details coming in the days ahead.

Music Ministry

CONCERT SERIES 2018-2019

From Vince Treadway

We are pleased to present our 2018-2019 Concert Series that provides excellent music in a wide variety of styles. All concerts this season are on Sundays at 4:00, and an offering will be received at each concert to support the Concert Series Ministry. The concerts are open to the public, and all are welcome! For a more detailed description of the series, pick up a Concert Series Brochure in the church lobby or office, or visit our website at www.fpclw.org. Here is the schedule for this season:

OCTOBER 28

BRYAN ANDERSON, ORGANIST

Bryan Anderson is a young concert organist, church musician and musical collaborator. He has been broadcast on NPR's "From the Top" and WWFM's "Curtis Calls" and has performed in such venues as the Kennedy Center, Verizon Hall, Princeton University Chapel and the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine to name a few. He holds degrees from the Curtis Institute and the Shepherd School of Music at Rice University.

DECEMBER 9

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: LESSONS AND CAROLS

All the musical forces of First Presbyterian Church will join to present a concert filled with Scripture readings, favorite Christmas carols, choral music from all ages, brass, handbells,

and a reenactment of the events leading up to Christ's birth. Join us for this family favorite!

JANUARY 13

DAVID KIM, VIOLIN; JEFFREY DEVAULT, PIANO

David Kim is the Concertmaster of the Philadelphia Orchestra and performs internationally with the orchestra and as a soloist. He has performed at festivals such as Brevard MasterWords (USA) and Pacific (Japan) and has recently released a CD with the Westminster Choir.

FEBRUARY 10

SOUTHERN RAISED

Southern Raised is a bluegrass band trained in classical music but raised in the bluegrass soaked Ozark Mountains. They have created a trademark sound where classical meets bluegrass and city streets meet country roads. They have won numerous awards and have performed throughout the United States. Their energetic style is "filled with passion for the One we love, Jesus Christ!"

MARCH 3

THE ERSKINE CHORALIERS

The Erskine Choraliers is an auditioned choral ensemble from Erskine College of Due West, South Carolina, and is conducted by Dr. Keith Timms. The Choraliers perform throughout the United States and internationally. ■



MEANINGLESSNESS OF MEANINGLESSNESSES

From Shane Miller

This quarter, the Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers have been going through the book of Ecclesiastes, the most chipper book of the Bible. In this book, the author takes a good, hard look at life and attempts to find out if there is any ultimate meaning for anyone living under the sun. While we have gone through at least two chapters of the book already, I do not have enough room to summarize that much content in one article. That being the case, I would like to introduce you to the first eleven verses, verses which sum up the entire book of Ecclesiastes.

Ecclesiastes begins in verse one by introducing the 'Teacher'. The Hebrew word that is translated as 'Teacher' carries along with it the idea of someone teaching in front of a large assembly. We should think, with so many people gathering to listen to this person, that this guy has something to say. Not only does he attract a crowd with his knowledge, he has incredible credentials as well. This Teacher is the son of David, the King of Jerusalem. These characteristics point us to King Solomon, who, next to Jesus Christ, was known as the wisest man in the history of the world. The Scriptures tell us that people from around the world traveled just to sit at the feet of Solomon to hear from his wisdom. With all of this being said, we should probably listen to what this King has to say.

From the introduction, we know that the author of this book is a wise man, but what is his message? "Meaningless! Meaningless!" says the Teacher in verse two. "Utterly meaningless! Everything is meaningless." Literally, in Hebrew, what the the author states about life is: "Meaninglessness of meaninglessnesses." Oftentimes, when we are praising someone for something, we say they are "the best of the best". In other words, they are greater than the greatest. When Solomon presents to us the worthlessness and pointlessness of life, he says that out of all of the pointless things that can be

known, life is the most pointless, the most worthless- there is nothing more useless than human existence.

In verses two and three, Solomon states that yes, people live their lives, work hard, and try to make a difference, but in the end they fail. One generation comes. They might say: "We're the ones! We're finally going to change things! We're finally going to right all of the wrongs!" That generation dies and leaves the world unchanged for another generation to come up and pick up where they left off. The world is just one big revolving door.

To illustrate how stuck the human race is in the pointless rat-race of life, in verses five through seven Solomon compares life to the sun, the wind, and the rivers. The sun goes up, the sun goes down. The calendar day might have changed, but the sun still does the same thing that it always does. Life is on a repetitive cycle. The same thing goes for the wind. It blows around in pointless circles and then returns to the same "circuit" it has always been stuck in. The rivers pour themselves into the sea, but for what? It ultimately never fills the ocean- all that work for nothing. The ocean and seas, in the end, are never satisfied.

Through all of these word pictures, Solomon is pointing to the pointless, repetitive nature of our lives. From the outside, it might seem like things have changed but they really haven't. We are always stuck in the same old rut. We give our lives to certain things and people, but we are never ultimately satisfied by them. Life is a treadmill in which we do a lot of running but get nowhere in the end. Solomon ends this section in verses ten through eleven by stating the fact that try as we might, we cannot change the fact that life is pointlessly repetitive.

If you've got up to this point, you might be wondering, "Where is Solomon going with this? This doesn't sound like something I've read in the Bible." Even if it's something you've never read in the Scriptures, though, isn't this something you might have felt before? I remember being a middle schooler and looking for meaning and happiness through having a girlfriend or finding acceptance with my peers.

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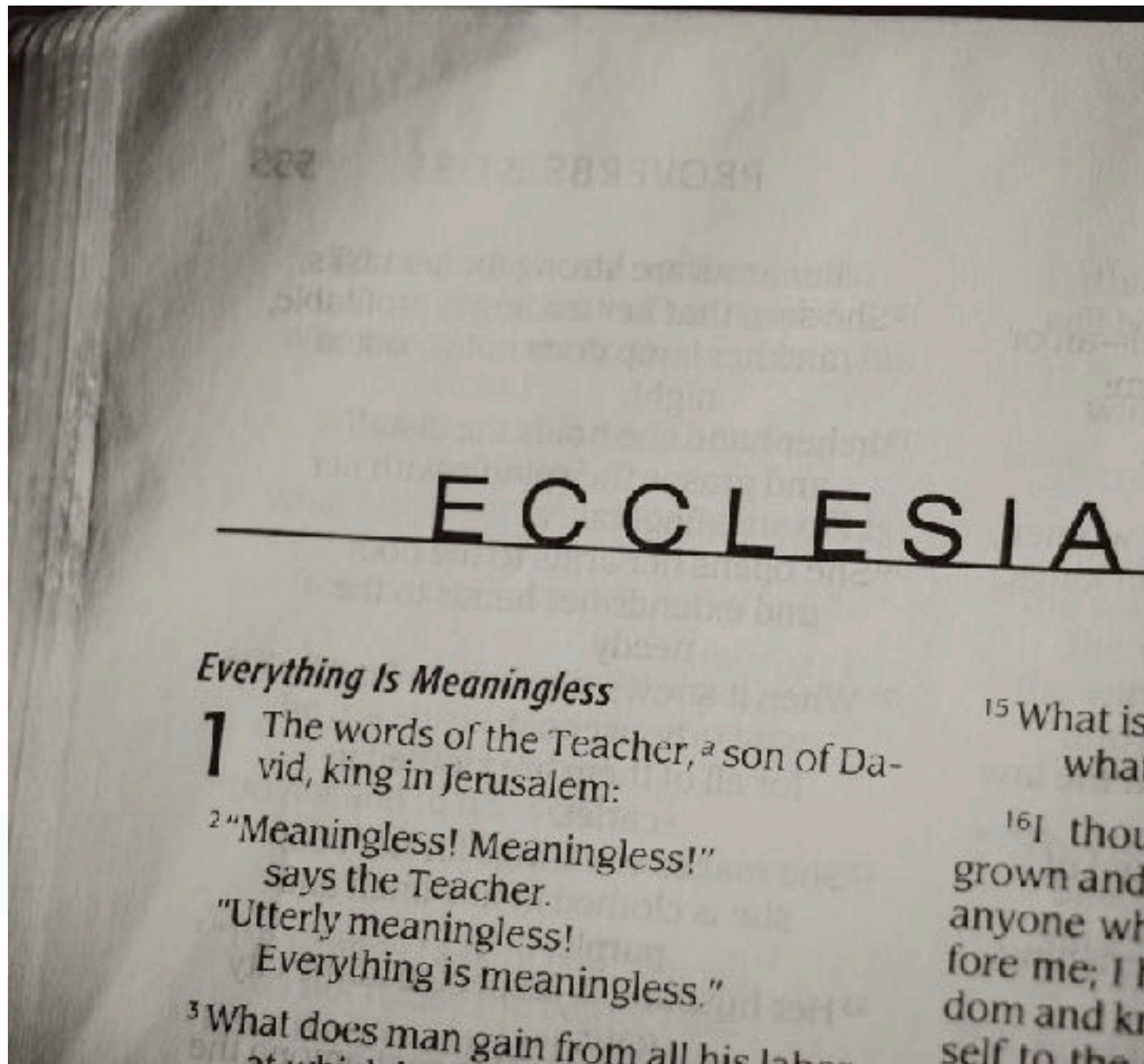
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In the end, I felt like Solomon. None of these things made me happy. I was left frustrated and confused. You don't need to be a middle schooler or high schooler to have this experience though. While we might not like to articulate it in the same way that Ecclesiastes does, if we're honest, we realize that what Solomon is doing is telling us some hard truths.

The reason we can never find satisfaction, the reason we feel like we can never get a break in life, the reason we feel like we can never reach ultimate meaning is because we are banking on this life and the things of this life to do something it was never meant to do, which is give us eternal joy. St.

Augustine, in his autobiography, prayed to Jesus and said, "I was restless until I found rest in you." Until we look to Jesus, His life, death, and resurrection, and how His work reconciles us to the God who can satisfy us forever, we will continue to reflect on life in a way that resonates with the depressing words of Solomon: "Meaninglessness of Meaninglessnesses."

*If you'd like to hear more about what we're studying in Ecclesiastes, check out our Podcast: "First Pres Lake Wales Youth Ministry Podcast." ■



PRAY FOR US

- **Pray that our students would find ultimate, lasting joy in Jesus Christ.**
- **Our students are on the same quest as Solomon in attempting to try to find meaning in life. Please pray that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts of our students as they hear the teaching on Wednesday nights.**

KIDZ SCAVENGER HUNT

Saturday, October 27, 12:00PM – 1:00PM

FIRST PRES "MOST WANTED"

SCAVENGER HUNT AT PIONEER DAYS

For First Pres Kidz & Families!

Who's that guy leaning against the tree, reading a newspaper with two eye-holes cut into it? Wait, is that our Youth Minister?? And that fisherman over there? Is that Pastor Chad?? For the second year, Lake Wales' Pioneer Days may look a little suspicious to First Pres Kidz with sharp eyes! Scattered around the fairgrounds, you may find a few "unusual suspects"... First Pres staff and members that you'll need to find to win a prize! Just be careful - they may be wearing disguises! Let's see how long it takes for you to find the "Most Wanted" of First Pres!

At high noon, find Suzie or Laney near the music tent area to pick up your instructions. Children may work in teams, but must stay with at least one parent at all times! For more information, talk with Suzie Hershberger. This was a TON of fun for everyone who participated last year! Hope to see you there! ■



Church Family

AMAZON SMILE

We made our first purchase thanks to YOU!

A while back, First Presbyterian Church signed up for the AmazonSmile program for non-profits and we have just made our first purchases with the “free” money – thanks to you!!

Using the funds gained through this program, we have just replaced the nursery’s TV and DVD player so once again the children can view short, Bible-based stories. We also purchased a “Roku” device to enable wireless access to RightNowMedia.org, an internet-based Christian video channel* the church has made available free to all members. (See more info about this free channel below.)

The AmazonSmile program is a simple and automatic way for you to support First Presbyterian Church every time you shop, **at no cost to you**. When you shop via the smile.amazon.com site, you’ll

find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as at Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

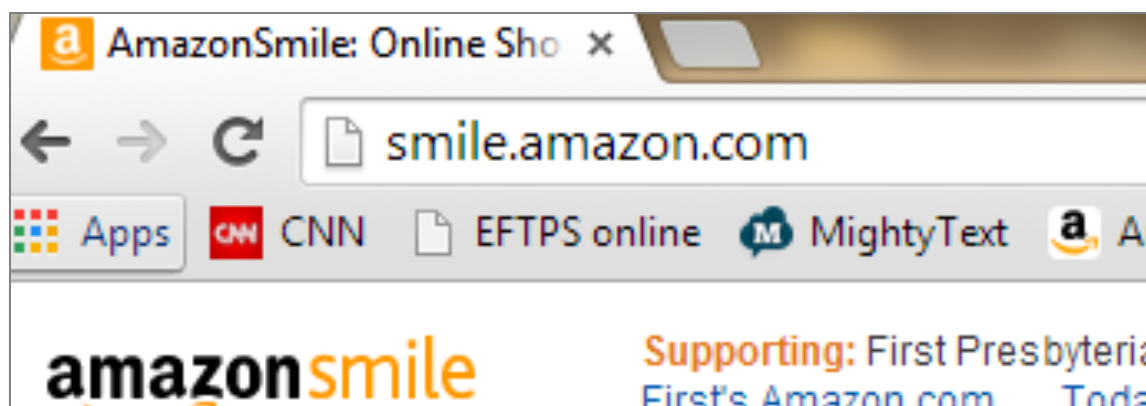
MILESTONE CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

October 1, Morgan Roe
October 2, Kermit Richert
October 2, Sue Dolan
October 3, Susie Bellamy
October 4, Charles Fugate
October 5, Margaret Hunt
October 7, Rob Thullbery
October 7, David Ullman
October 7, Carter Ullman
October 7, Michael Berkau
October 10, Ashley Cockrell
October 12, Rilee Bennett
October 14, Judith Adams
October 16, Maxcy Henry
October 16, Brystal Michalkiewicz
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