

WELCOME! We're glad you're here and have decided to join us today!

If you would like to know more about Living Water, please stop by the Welcome Center in the lobby area.

TEACHER: Pastor Garry Nyenhuis

SERMON TOPIC: This week in part 3 of our FOUNDATIONS series, we will discuss the Apostle Creed's phrase: "...[Jesus] was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell..." For an overview of this line, we will be focusing on Philippians 2:6-8.

SERMON SUMMARY: We often focus on the fact that Jesus rose again, and we even talk a lot about the fact that He came to this earth. But it's easy to skim over exactly how much pain, suffering, and anguish He had to go through. As we spend some time there this week, wrestle with these questions:

- ⇒ Why would it be crucial to think about Jesus' suffering, and to know that it happened?
- ⇒ Would our faith and our Christianity be any different if Christ had simply come and lived and left? How?

TRY THIS:

- ⇒ Try a silent time, dwelling on the crucifixion, death, burial and descent of Christ.
- ⇒ Try a fasting time, dwelling on these things. Ask for resources on how to fast from one of your pastors. These times have a way of speaking to us physically and reminding us of the extent of Christ's love.
- ⇒ Think of the most difficult time in your life. If possible, share it with someone. Then make the tie between Christ's suffering and that difficult time and notice what the Spirit reveals to you.

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

PRAISE: Matt Stark's most recent CT scan showed that his fractured C7 vertebrae is fully healed and the C1 fracture has healed enough that he doesn't need to wear the cervical collar anymore. There is a possibility that he may be able to return to work part-time by the end of next week. The Starks are grateful for the prayers and support throughout the months of recovery and prayers are appreciated for continued healing and the return of Matt's strength and stamina as he makes this transition.

PRAY: Please pray for LeRoy Beldon who may be facing possible amputation of his foot due to health issues. His wife, Loretta, attends the Sheldon Campus.

THIS WEEK

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| <u>Sun, Sept 17</u> | 9:30am | Coffee Shoppe |
| | 10:00am | Worship |
| | LITTLE TREASURES (3 & 4 yr olds) - Watch for slides on screen to dismiss | |
| | 11:00am | JAM (TK-5th gr) and WAVE (6th-8th gr) |
| | Watch for slides on screen to dismiss for JAM - Parents pick up children at Motor Inn bldg at noon | |
| <u>Mon, Sept 18</u> | 6:00pm | Unity meal (SH) - This is a free meal; everyone is invited |
| <u>Wed, Sept 20</u> | 7:00pm | Men's Bible Study (SH) |
| | 7:00-9:00pm | OVERFLOW (OC) |

Sun, Sept 24 - No regular 10:00am worship service at either campus. Combined Campus worship service will be held in the Hospers Park at 1:00pm following Serve Sunday projects and noon meal.

THE CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

Wed, Sept 20 - 5:00-8:00pm -Tip night for Allison (Bylsma) Decker - OC Pizza Ranch (see blue announcement sheet at Welcome Center for more details)

Sun, Oct 1 - GRACE/Fair share informational meeting following the worship service. We are asking all supporters of the GRACE/Fair Share ministry at the OC Campus to attend.

Sundays, Oct 15-22-29 - Living Water 101 classes coming soon! Want to know more about Living Water? Hoping to strengthen your understanding of Christianity? Individuals, couples and community groups are invited. Whether you've been attending for many years or one time, come join us! Request more info or sign up through the Connect Card and place it in the offering basket.

GET INVOLVED

INFANTS

NURSERY: Nursery is available throughout the service for newborns thru 2 years. The nursery is located near the Welcome Center in the front lobby area.

CHILDREN

LITTLE TREASURES: Sunday school for 3 & 4 year olds; meets during the worship service. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal.

JAM: TK-5th grade. Jesus And Me meets following the Sunday morning service meets in Motor Inn bldg next door

Students and teachers watch for announcement slide for dismissal; parents pick up children in their classrooms at Motor Inn at 12:00noon

YOUTH

WAVE: 6th-8th grade. Meets following the Sunday morning service in upstairs classroom (OC)

OVERFLOW: 9th-12th grade. Meets from 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday (OC)

GEMS: Girls 3rd-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:30pm @ Immanuel CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

CADETS: Boys 4th-8th grade. Meets from 6:50-8:50pm @ Calvary CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

ADULTS/FAMILIES

COMMUNITY GROUPS: Small groups of people who enjoy staying connected to each other by discussing life, studying scripture, playing, eating, serving, and investing in one another. Contact Pastor Garry at pastor.garry@livingwateroc.com

7-4-3 GROUPS: Groups of about 7 people gathering for a meal 4 times over a 3 month period. Contact Brittany Foreman - dan_brittanyforeman@yahoo.com

SERVE SUNDAY - 10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: SUNDAY, SEPT 24

Next Sunday, September 24, we will Celebrate 10 Years of God's Gracious Provision to Living Water Community Church! The Celebration will include Taking It To The Streets on Serve Sunday, as we put our "Love God, Love Others" Mission Statement into practice that morning. We will then come together at Hospers park (south end of town by the pool) to share a catered meal and a Worship Celebration, including Communion. The free Meal begins approximately at noon, with Worship to begin about 1:00pm. We welcome Tom Wolthuis and Don Den Hartog, along with Jason Van Wyk, Garry Nyenhuis, and Jesse Walhof to our "pulpit" for our Celebration Service. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on, and dress according to the weather.

If you find you are able to be included in the Serve Sunday work opportunities, we have a place for you! Contact Jim Haack (jim.haack@interstates.com or 712-635-2154) or Brad Noteboom (bradln@hotmail.com or 712-548-6487) to get signed up ASAP.