

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

If you would like more information about Living Water stop by the Welcome Center in the lobby area.

TEACHER: Pastor Jason Van Wyk

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 4:1-8

Additional readings: Isaiah 53:7-9, John 10:10, Romans 12:17-21

SUMMARY: In movies, an Easter egg is a hidden detail that points to something else. If you look closely enough you can catch these inside references placed there by the writers and directors. We can see similar Easter eggs hidden throughout Scripture that point to the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. In these weeks leading up to Easter, we'll be hunting through the Old Testament for some Easter Eggs in common stories. We're beginning this morning with the story of Cain and Abel in Genesis 4.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- How was Abel's situation like Jesus'? How was it different?
- If you put yourself in Jesus' (or Abel's) position, how might you have responded?
- What experience have you had in trying to respond like Jesus in your own life situations?
- How would our world be different if everyone followed the path of Jesus rather than the path of Cain in the face of our frustrations, angers, and jealous moments?

LIFE APPLICATION:

- Spend some time imagining Jesus' last days, reread the story from Luke 22-23; pay special attention to his responses to people.
- Be aware of times where you are tempted to respond to a situation or a person with angry words or violent actions. Instead hold on to Romans 12:21 praying that God will help you to overcome evil with good.

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

Today (Feb 18) - 12:00 noon - following JAM - Everyone is invited to a Valentines church potluck at Living Water Orange City. Living Water will provide the beverage and table service. If able, bring a hot and a cold dish to share. If you're visiting today or just forgot, don't let that stop you from sticking around. We hope you stay for conversations around the tables; there are always a few amazing cooks who prepare extra!

Beginning next Sunday, (Feb 25) - Fran Cronin will be attending Living Water with a U.S. veteran service dog who is continuing its training (allowing the dog to become familiar with a variety of public settings). The dog will stay with Fran throughout the time at Living Water. The congregation is reminded to refrain from petting or playing with it since this dog is actually "on duty" as it is being trained.

TODAY	THIS WEEK
<p>9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE</p> <p>10:00am WORSHIP LITTLE TREASURES (3 & 4 yr olds) Watch for slides on screen to dismiss</p> <p>11:00am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JAM (TK-5th gr) Watch for slides on screen to dismiss for JAM - Parents pick up children at Motor Inn bldg at noon • WAVE (6th-8th gr) Meets in large upstairs classroom • STAY AND PRAY SW corner of Worship Center <p>12:00 noon - following JAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Potluck Everyone is invited! <p>Sunday evening - Monday morning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overflow Lock-in (OC) 	<p>Mon, Feb 19 6:00pm Unity Meal (SH) This is a free meal; everyone is invited! Thank you to 1st Reformed Church for providing the meal and volunteers this month.</p> <p>Wed, Feb 21 6:45pm OC GEMS - OC Immanuel 7:00pm Overflow (OC)</p>

THE CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

SAVE THE DATE: Fri, Mar 16 – 7:00pm – “Ultimate Date Night” hosted by The Sheldon Area Ministerial Association to be held at the Crossroads Pavilion Event Center in Sheldon. Tickets are \$30/couple (price covers admission and dessert) and are available at Touch of Hope and churches in Sheldon. Check out more info in the blue announcement sheet at the Welcome Center.

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

Children's Church Bags are available at the Welcome Center in the lobby area. They are filled with quiet activities for our younger attendees to use during worship services. Following worship, please return the bags and contents to the Welcome Center.

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 6:45-8:45pm @ Calvary CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

ADULTS/FAMILIES

STAY AND PRAY: Group of people gathering after the worship service in the SW corner of the Worship Center. Everyone's invited. For more info, contact Kim Groeneweg at skgroen@yahoo.com

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE CONTACT ONE OF THESE MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS

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