

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

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TEACHER: Pastor Jason Van Wyk

SCRIPTURE: 1 John 3:1-7

SUMMARY: Who am I? What defines me? Am I the good parts of me? The bad? Or is there something beyond my actions, beyond my past, beyond even my present? We spend a lot of time throughout our lives trying to figure out or even create our identities. 1 John 3:1-7 wrestles with these same questions and can help us begin to form some answers.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- What is one time you remember experiencing the awkwardness of the in-between growing-up years?
- How do you usually define who you are?
- Do you tend to focus on the good or the bad?
- What would change if your identity was wrapped up in who God says you are?

LIFE APPLICATION:

- Identify one area for further growth in your life. Pray that God will help you grow into the image of Christ in that particular aspect of life.
- Rather than defining others by the past or the present, try to look on others the way God sees them. Do this intentionally with 5 people each day. Take note of how this changes your interactions with them.
- Allow God's definition of you to become how you see yourself. When you catch yourself doing things to create your own identity, stop and remind yourself that you are already God's child.

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

PRAY: Prayers are requested for Tiffany Ehrich (Farence) and family as they are experiencing multiple transitions at this time. Tiffany's daughter, Aaliyah, will be discharged next week from her treatment at Jackson Recovery and will be scheduled for many outpatient services to help her cope with anxiety, depression and addiction. Also there is heightened stress and anxiety with the upcoming anniversary of Tiffany's infant daughter, Selah's, death and the family's move to Le Mars. Please pray for peace and serenity. (OC)

PRAY: Please be praying for the Mellema family as they begin their journey home with their newly adopted children. Prayers for a good adjustment and smooth transition for both their biological and adoptive children. Prayers for patience, energy, and communication despite the language barrier for Kristin and Matt. And prayers that they could get home safely and without disruption. (OC)

PRAY: Please continue prayers for April Sunday who has been struggling with heart issues again recently. She is currently at Mayo Clinic waiting to be scheduled for surgery. (OC)

THANKS to everyone who has offered their support after the passing of Scott & Adrie's dad, Bill Groeneweg. Our families were encouraged by the many cards, food, prayers, and words of support and we were reminded again what a blessing it is to have a church family. God has been so good through this as He has given us peace with His plan in this, and showered us with the love from so many of you! Scott & Kim, Brady, Dylan, Faythe, and Tait Groeneweg
Adrie & Marla and Trenton Groeneweg
Spencer & Lauren Groeneweg (OC Campus)

TODAY	THIS WEEK
9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE	Mon, Apr 16 6:00pm Unity Meal (SH) - This is a free meal; everyone is invited! Thanks to 1st Christian Reformed Church for providing the meal and volunteers this month
10:00am WORSHIP LITTLE TREASURES (3-5 yr olds) Watch for slides on screen to dismiss	Tues, Apr 17 8:30pm Post-high Bible Study (OC)
11:00am	Wed, Apr 18 8:00pm Overflow - Youth Praise and Worship (SH)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Huddle Meeting - meets in Worship Center - everyone is invited! • 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 	Fri, Apr 20 7:00-9:00pm Family Movie Night (at the OC Campus) Come as a family! Popcorn and Pop will be provided. Please bring blankets or bean bag chairs to sit on. Questions? Contact Sarah Kuiper at dskuiper@yahoo.com
6:00pm ABUSE CAREGIVER TRAINING (OC) For those who attended training at either campus	7:00pm Financial Peace Class (SH) Questions? Contact Jason Vander Berg at 712-363-4643
	Sat, Apr 21 10:00am Chemical Dependency Support-12 step (OC)

THE CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

Fri, Apr 27 - 7:00pm - Men's Movie Night (held at the SH Campus)
"The Heart of Man." Anyone 18 years or older is invited; popcorn and pop will be provided. There will be a message and discussion time after the movie. If you have any questions contact Dale Schmidt 712-324-1117.

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 3-5 year olds; meets during the worship service. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal.

JAM: TK-5th grade. **J**esus **A**nd **M**e 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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