

Order of Worship

Announcements

Opening Prayer

Song: #718 We Shall Assemble

Song: #382 Why Did My Savior
Come to Earth?

The Lord’s Supper

Song: #71 As the Deer

Offering

Song: # 577 We Bow Down

Scripture Reading:
Luke 4:27 & 2 Kings 5:1-5

Sermon:
Naaman the Leper

Song: #909 There’s a Fountain Free

Family Time

Song: #578 We Will Glorify

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a light brunch in the fellowship hall immediately after our worship service this morning.

“Are you visiting for the first time today?”

Welcome guest! We’re so glad you’ve come to worship with us this morning. Please help us to get to know you better by filling out the green guest card on the back of the seat in front of you and dropping it in the collection basket. Or, for your convenience, you may scan the QR code and complete the guest card digitally. Thank you for taking the time to attend our service today. We hope to see you again soon!



Scan for Guest Card

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For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	84
Sunday Morning Bible Study	75
Sunday Afternoon Service	N/A
Wed. Morning Bible Study	12
Wed. Evening Bible Study	41

Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship	9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Class	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Service	1:30 p.m.
Wed. Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Dinner	6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

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Offering

We are grateful for every gift given in support of the Lord’s work. During worship, a collection plate will be passed for those who wish to give. Contributions may also be placed in the offering box located in the foyer or made securely online by scanning the QR code.





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We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like Jesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God’s word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you’ve been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

"Behold, I thought..."

Jeremy Paschall

Human beings are rarely short of opinions. It is common to hear, “You know, I was just thinking...” And often those thoughts get people into serious trouble. Sometimes people think too much when they should just be listening. This is most certainly not a new problem.

Naaman ([2 Kings 5.1-14](#)) was a great man, highly valued by his master as a faithful servant and valiant military officer (verse 1), but he was afflicted with leprosy, an unsightly disease that would eventually take his life (verse 1). A little Israelite servant girl, taken captive by Naaman's army, remembered a prophet in Samaria and knew that he could cure Naaman's leprosy (verses 2-3). With great excitement Naaman made preparations to go see this prophet that he might be cured (verses 4-5).

When Elisha, the prophet from Samaria, learned that Naaman was seeking him, he sent instructions that Naaman should come to him (verses 6-8). As Naaman and his entourage approached the prophet's house (verse 9)...

“Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, ‘Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh will be restored to you and you will be clean.’ But Naaman was furious and went away and said, ‘Behold, I thought, “He will surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper.” Are not Abanah and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?’ So he turned and went away in a rage” (*verses 10-12*).

Naaman said, “Behold, I thought...” Before he arrived at Elisha's house, he had already decided how he wanted to be cured. He fully expected that Elisha would come out and make a big show of it. But that is not what God had in mind. And even if washing in a river was required, Naaman thought of much better options than the Jordan. But, again, that's not what God had in mind. Naaman needed to learn some important lessons, and so do we!

A way may seem right but be wrong.

There can be no doubt that Naaman thought his way would work. But as good as the idea might have seemed, it would not have cured him. Why? Because it is not what God (through Elisha) had to say on the matter. “There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death” ([Proverbs 14.12](#)). Men may think of ways to be saved, to worship God, and to serve Him, but if they are not firmly grounded in the Word of God, they are in vain ([2 John 9](#)).

God’s ways and man’s ways are different.

It was not what Naaman expected, but God had already determined the way that his leprosy could be healed. And regardless of what Naaman or anyone else thinks, God's ways of doing things are always better than the ways of men. “‘For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,’ declares the Lord. ‘For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts’” ([Isaiah 55.8-9](#)). We can conduct our spiritual lives any way we like, but any way that is not God's way will ultimately fail.

Man cannot direct his own steps.

When Naaman heeded the admonition of his servant and did just as Elisha had said, his leprosy was healed ([2 Kings 5.13-14](#)). God's way worked flawlessly. “I know, O Lord, that a man's way is not in himself, nor is it in a man who walks to direct his steps” ([Jeremiah 10.23](#)). We need to realize the inferiority of our own ways when compared to His. We must surrender our will to His. God's wisdom “pertaining to life and godliness” has been revealed to us ([2 Peter 1.3](#)). Let us each resolve to quit thinking of our own ways where God has given His perfect ways for us to follow.

Church Family News

Weekly Focus on Prayer Zoom Meeting—As a reminder, our weekly Monday prayer meeting will take place on Zoom on Sundays (today). It will begin promptly at 1:30pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 92168447917 Passcode: 2535662

Greeters—If anyone is interested in being a “greeter” Sunday mornings, please see Rachel Moffitt so she can put you on the schedule.

Rejoicing in a new brother—We rejoice with Kayden who was baptized into Christ on Tuesday evening, September 22! We are thankful for his decision to obey the gospel and begin his new life in Christ. Please join us in welcoming Kayden into the Lord's church and keeping him in your prayers as he grows in faith.

Audio Team—If anyone is interested in assisting with the audio team please see Chris Gary or Tiffany Powers.

Sock Donations—We are collecting socks of all sizes as an outreach for the unhoused in our community. If you are able to donate socks, the collection bin is located in the fellowship hall on the back table along the wall. Please see Tom and Jo Ann Little for more information.

Community Events—There are a considerable amount of Ladies' Days and other events on the bulletin board to include two ladies' days in Laurel, DE and Woodbridge, VA, and a Men's Leadership Seminar in Raleigh, NC. Please take a moment to look over the board for any events you may like to attend.

Gospel Meeting—Please join us Saturday, October 24, for The Way of the Servant-King: Emulating Christ's Love, a special day of preaching and fellowship through the Gospel of Mark. Speakers are Brad Harrub, Ben Phillips, and our very own Chris Abbott and Jacob Brunjes. Coffee and a light breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m., with lunch and fellowship provided.

Prayer List Updates—We are grateful for the opportunity to pray for one another. To help us continue doing that thoughtfully, please let Simona know of any updates to prayer requests you have shared, including answered prayers, changes, or requests that no longer need to remain on the list. Thank you for helping us care for one another through prayer.

Happy Birthday

Judy Fishel 10/1, Jo Ann Knight 10/2, Aniyah Mack 10/3, Theresa Patrick 10/7, Michael Bronsberg 10/9, Joye Downing 10/16, Walker Knight 10/17, Jadya Abbott 10/18, Cindy Harris 10/18, Rachel Moffitt 10/23, Betty Owsley 10/25, Catalina LaVerde 10/25, M.C. Bailey 10/26, Kevin Pitre 10/30

Wedding Anniversaries

Keith & Jazmin Frett 10/27

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

Joyce & Bobby Logan - health
Sharon Moss - health
Eva Jackson - recovering
Connie Williamson & Family
Billy Kempton - health
Cara Patrick - health
Rita Seely - health

Long Term Concerns:

Levi Abbott - health
Regina Clark - health
Betty Benson - health
The Boisseau Family - grieving
M.C. & Juanita Bailey - health
Doug Smith - health
Abbott Family - strength & support
Gordon & Betty Owsley - health
Pat Little - health
Margaret Rose - health
Isaiah Hicks - health
Darrel & Debbie Garrett - health
Jo Ann Knight - return of cancer, additional health issues
Alan Hicks
Those who have lost loved ones

Shut-ins:

Regina Clark & Betty Benson

Friends & Family:

Mark Claypool - health
Gordon Owsley's brother-in-law - cancer
Penny Bucknam's brother, **David Wenner**- health and brother and sister-in-law - cancer
Joye Downing's family - various concerns
Howard Moffitt's sister-in-law - health
Nancy Gilliam's family member, **Jim Galen** - health
Eilene Dunkleburger - experimental treatments
Sabrina Logan's neighbor, **Yvette Ferguson** - health
Lynne McMullen's friends, **Tom & Lisa Stamper** - health
Karen Kinder's friend **Randy Eaton** - health; and niece **Jennifer & Family** - grieving
Connie Williamson's family member, **Barbara Hawkins** - health
Betty Owsley's sister, **Margaret** - health
Diana Tew's husband **Billie** - health
Peggy Sperduto's Daughter-In-Law - health
Jerry Howell's friends - health & grieving
Cindy Harris' Sister-in-law, Heather- health; close friend - grieving
Jazmin Frett's great-aunt - cancer
Sharon Moss's sister, **Debbie** - health
Joe Garcia's co-workers - cancer, grieving, health; mother-in-law, **Pat** - health
Rene Kassing's grandson, **Justin** - cancer
Steve Davis' neighbor, Billy - health issues
Cara Patrick's friend, **Jacqueline** - health; daughter - grieving
Our Members Who are Traveling
Our Missionaries