



“Being the presence of **Christ** in the world by **celebrating** the worship of God, **connecting** people to people and **caring** for others.”

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Failure

In the devotional we read this morning with the kids it said, ‘Today in 1860 Abraham Lincoln, certainly one of America’s greatest presidents, was elected.’ Wow. Of course we remember Lincoln for his greatness. Surprisingly, the devotion proceeded to highlight some of Lincoln’s failures. We forget about those. (365 Trivia Twist Devotions by Schmitt and Veerman)

Did you know that: In Lincoln’s first run for state representative in 1832 he finished 8th out of 13. Shortly thereafter his first sweetheart died and he suffered a nervous breakdown. He then won a seat in the Illinois legislature in 1834 but was overlooked in the nomination for US Congress in 1843. After two terms he lost his re-election bid in the State House. In 1854 he was defeated for US Senate. In 1856 he was denied the nomination for Vice President and he was defeated again for the US Senate in 1858.

You’d think after all this failure he would’ve just resigned himself to a country law practice, right? Wasn’t Lincoln a bright guy? Well, as they say, the rest is history.

As we consider our lives, our successes and our failures, our strengths and our weaknesses, what are we to do with our failures? Let us look toward Scripture.

The psalmist advises much ... *Our steps are made firm by the Lord, when he delights in our way; though we stumble, we shall not fall headlong, for the Lord holds us by the hand.* ~ Psalm 37:23-4

Also, *For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.* ~ Ps 103:11 ff.

And remember the encouraging words Paul shared with an early church: *So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!* ~ II Cor 5:17

May we each lean toward the Lord for help and strength during our times of struggle.

Blessings, Ande



Food Pantry: Wednesday, November 19, 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall
-Pack for Food Pantry at 8:00 am
-Prayer/Worship Time at 5:30 pm
Volunteers, We need you by 5:15 pm.

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

November 16-22, 2014
David Williams - 549-0145
Frankie Ball - 549-8213

November 23-29, 2014
Lee Bryant - 215-0696
Eddie Byrd - 549-9521

USHERS OF THE WEEK

November 16, 2014
Gene and Chris Siler
Chad and Garnet Chrisman

November 23, 2014
Bryan and Linda Shelby
Jolly Sharp
Lisa Jackson

SUPER CHURCH WORKERS

November 16, 2014
Jamie Bowman
Eddie and Keisha Perkins

November 23, 2014
Jon Carroll
David and Kim Williams



“The Church Has Left the Building”
Sunday, November 16
after morning worship

Meet in the CLC Kitchen for a light lunch and then we will travel together to weatherize a home of an elderly woman on a fixed income in the Wolf Creek area.

Community-wide Thanksgiving Service
Sunday, November 23
at 7:00 pm
in FBC Sanctuary

Celebrate Thanksgiving with the entire community in a Ministerial Association sponsored worship service, on Sunday, Nov. 23, in our sanctuary. Albert Jones, Main Street Baptist, will be speaking. Bring canned goods for Food Pantry distribution.

The Great Escape: A Kid-Free Evening

UC Women’s Soccer Team is sponsoring **The Great Escape: A Kid-Free Evening**, a Parent’s Night Out, in our Christian Life Center on Friday, Nov. 21, from 5:30-9:30 pm. Children, ages 4 up, must be pre-registered by calling Brittany Gadd at (724) 977-3542. or Hannah Starner at (502) 321-5450.

All proceeds will go to the UC Haiti Mission Trip. Costs are \$10 per child for up to two children in family and \$20 total for three children in family.

NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 16, 2014

9:00 am Men’s Bible Class
Breakfast (CLC)
10:00 am Bible Study
10:00 am Kids Connect
11:00 am Morning Worship
11:00 am Super Church
12:30 pm “The Church Has Left the Building”
(Meet in CLC Kitchen)
5:00 pm Handbells
6:00 pm Rooted: A Youth Worship Event (Sanctuary/CLC)

Monday, November 17, 2014

1:00 pm Hymn Sing at Williamsburg Health & Rehab Ctr
5:00 pm Firstersize (CLC)
6:00 pm Rooted: A Youth Worship Event (Sanctuary/CLC)

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

10:00 am Peace by Piece
3:30 pm Staff Meeting
6:00 pm 3rd & 4th Grade Basketball (CLC)

Wednesday, November 19, 2014

8:00 am Pack for Food Pantry
5:00 pm Firstersize (CLC)
5:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Women’s Dept.)
6:00 pm Food Pantry (FH)
6:00 pm Youth Worship
6:30 pm Center Shot
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 21, 2014

5:30 pm UC Women’s Soccer Team Parents’ Night Out (CLC)

Sunday, November 23, 2014

10:00 am Bible Study
10:00 am Kids Connect
11:00 am Morning Worship
11:00 am Super Church
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Community wide Thanksgiving Service (Sanctuary)

RECORDS-Nov. 2, 2014

Bible Study: 123
Budget: \$ 9,252
Designated: \$ 1,022
Budget Gifts 2014: \$ 256,539



Basketball & Cheerleading are coming and we need volunteers! Are you willing to coach, referee, work concessions, or present a devotional? Contact Mike Green!

Upward Evaluations will be Saturday, December 6 and Saturday, December 13 for children ages Kindergarten through 8th grade.