Welcome visitors! We are glad you could worship with us today. Please fill out a <u>Welcome Card</u> in the pew and put it in the offering plate to help us connect with you!

Sunday School – Today - The Sunday School Kids will be presenting an overview of the year during Coffee Fellowship. Combined Classes will follow with a lesson and craft.

50th Wedding Anniversary – Our former Pastor Larry Hoop and his wife Debbie will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 8. They are celebrating with an Open House on June 3. Cards can be sent to: Pastor Larry and Debbie Hoop 422 Tater Ridge Road West Union, OH 45693

Newsletter – Check your email for the May - June Newsletter.

Prayer Request – Please pray for Marcia Andersen, Mike Dieken's sister, as she undergoes treatment for stage 4 cancer.

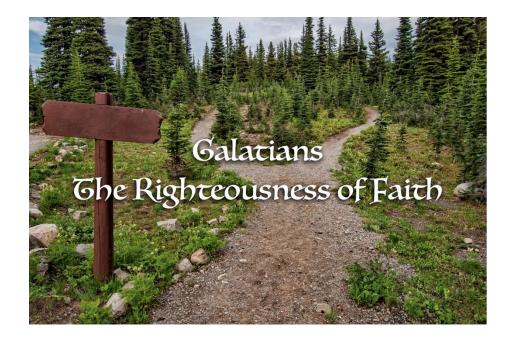
Prayer Request – Please pray for Becky Randall, she has been hospitalized with "Long Covid" and Rhinovirus.

Attention Ladies! Wondering how to stay plugged in this summer at Colfax? Look no further! You are invited to the Bible Study of "1 & 2 Thessalonians," by Kathleen Nielson. We will meet in the church parlor on the 1 & 3 Mondays of the month beginning June 5, at 1:30 pm. Come join us (and feel free to bring a friend) for this study, to build and deepen relationships with other members of your spiritual family—your sisters in the church! Books will be distributed before the study begins, so be sure to sign up (sign up sheet located in the church Narthex). Questions? Contact Linda Kruger (319) 296-5620

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Sunday May 21, 2023

Reflection Before Service

"For our sake [God] made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

2 Corinthians 5:21

Notice that it does not say that Abraham believed *in* God (though he certainly did!). Believing in God is not saving faith (James 2:19 says that even "the demons believe"). Rather, he had to believe and trust what God actually said in His promise to save.

Tim Keller

Prelude Announcements

*Call to Worship

Psalm 9:7-10

But the LORD sits enthroned forever; he has established his throne for justice, and he judges the world with righteousness; he judges the peoples with uprightness. The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

*Hymn of Praise

GHF 1 - O Worship the King (v. 1, 2, 4)

Call to Confession

1Timothy. 1:12-15

I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I receive mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 Timothy 1:16-17

But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Children's Message

Song of Celebration

How Deep the Father's Love

Worship Through Giving

General Fund

*Doxology

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism #27

O. 27. Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

*Greeting

Leader: "The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you"

Congregation: "And also with you"

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Supplication

Reading of God's Word

Galatians 3:5-14

Sermon

"The Trouble of a Good Reputation"

Pastor Luke

*Song of Response

GHF 249 – Just as I Am (v. 1, 2, 5)

Benediction and Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

This Week at Colfax

Sunday, May 21

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

Sunday School Kids Presentation

11:00a – Sunday School All Ages

2:00p – Guys Group

Tuesday, May 23

9:30a – Women's Bible Study

6:30p – Women's Bible Study

Thursday, May 25

7:00p – Elders & Deacons Meeting

Sunday, May 28

9:00a – "Coffee Chat"

9:30a – Morning Worship

10:30a – Coffee Fellowship

6:30p – Prayer Group

Call the church, 319-824-5231, or email secretary@colfaxcenterchurch.org of upcoming meetings to ensure building access and up-to-date calendars.

Please communicate all announcements to the church office weekly by 3:00 p.m. Wednesdays.

Serving Sunday, May 28

Coffee Chat: Launstein Family

Coffee Fellowship: Mike & Karen Dieken Greeters: Chuck & Ruth; Leon & Sheryl Nursery Worship: Launstein Family Nursey during Sunday School: No Elevator Attendant: Shawn Albers PowerPoint: Taylor Launstein

Camera: Steve Jones **Sound:** Larry Freed

CENTER PRAISES & PRAYER CONCERNS

As you go to the Lord in prayer, please read the following scripture: Romans 12:12 "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Our nation and its leaders.

The ministries of our church:

- Pastor Luke, Aimee, and their family
- > Elders & Deacons as they lead the church.
- Current Elders: Leon Johnson, Dean Salo, Curt Tjepkes, Tom Simms, Larry Stahl, Donn Anderson, Paul Smit
- Current Deacons: Brian Boomgarden, Jesse Willis, Coty Albers, Shawn Albers, Blake Eberline, Bryce Eberline, Jim Beninga, & Curt Bakker
- Our Children's ministries
- > The hearts of our congregation
- ➤ Our Missionaries, especially those in sensitive countries.

<u>Iowa Presbytery:</u> - Hospers Pres. (Hospers, IA) – Rev. Brian Janssen

Medical Prayer Request

Larry Dreesman – Receiving treatments for cancer.

Connie Doughan – Recovering from Bone Marrow Transplant.

Tracy (Kolder) Scheib – Receiving treatments for cancer.

Cinda Pankratz – Recovering from a blood infection.

Jim Steinmeyer – Recovering from surgery for an infection.

Heather Wise – Recovering from carotid artery surgery.

Marcia Andersen – Receiving treatments for cancer.

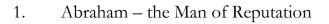
Becky Randall – Prayers for a quick recovery from "Long Covid" and Rhinovirus.

Pray also for - Our armed forces (Cassidy Bronchick, Mary Pruisner, and Jacob Eilers). Also, those who are anxious, discouraged, facing difficult family situations, struggling with sin, or do not know Christ.

Those who are shut-in or in nursing homes:

Mary Bakker; Bernard & Ethel Buskohl; Phyllis DeNeui; Verone Nederhoff; Minetta Tjepkes; Dorothy Westerman; Margie Kuhlman; Viola Vasey

Sermon Outline "The Trouble of a Good Reputation"



2. The Trouble of a Good Reputation

3. The Only Reputation That Matters