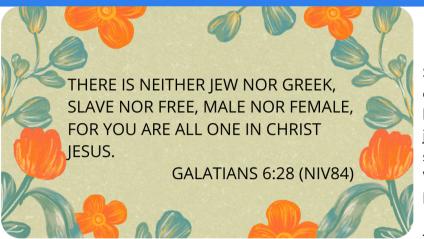
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PRAYER REQUESTS

- Family of Allen Reed
- RA and Brenda Cornett
- Nancy Penick
- Tamara Stamey
- Andy (In-law to George and Eula Johnson)
- Our Outreach Efforts
- Sherry Thompson
- Bobby and Amy Greer
- James Sherwood
- Heidi Rudloff (daughter of Dr. Lawrence Young)
- James Shore
- Joe Kitchens
- Baby Sailor
- Friends who faithfully watch on Facebook Live
- New Sunday School Teachers, Sunday School Classes, and New Bible Study Opportunities
- Ukraine
- Friends and family members who are lost
- Kate Greene
- Fred Vannoy
- Jackie Adams
- Joann Johnson
- Alice Greer
- Ted Bru
- Dean and Alma Earp
- Zigli Family
- Phyllis Marlowe (Mitch's Aunt)
- Ernest and Jean Vannoy
- Marie Jones

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MITCH

Sunday was a good day! It was sweet to see you tell others "I love you in the love of the Lord." What a beautiful example of the church being the church! I saw joy and excitement on your faces as you practiced a simple exercise of fellowship at the close of our service. What encouragement! Thank you for being such a loving and caring church!

This week, as we continue the theme of casting a vision and glorifying God, we will look at the idea of discipleship. As one author put it, "Discipleship is the task of training believers to become mature followers of Christ, growing in their knowledge of, love for, and obedience to the Lord." Can you call yourself a disciple and one that practices discipleship? As a church, we have many opportunities to help you grow as a disciple of Christ. There are more discipleship opportunities slated for the Fall. I hope you will take advantage of every opportunity to grow in your faith, learn how to put it into practice, and get closer to Jesus! I look forward to studying God's word and fellowshipping more with you!

I love you! Pastor Mitch



ANNOUNCEMENTS

And Church Family Updates

Sound System Update! After waiting for some shipping issues, we have been informed that the new sound system should be installed this week! Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

Air Conditioning Update! We should have the new AC system installed in the next week or so! Thank you for your continued patience!

Hymn Sing Requests: If you have a hymn request not in our Hymnal, please let Sara know by this Sunday, August 7 so that it can be prepared for our Hymn Sing August 14.

Baptism August 28: If you are interested in being baptised, please contact Pastor Mitch or Reverend Brittany.

Faithfest is August 27 in Wilkesboro. If you are interested in going, please sign-up on the board in annex, Group tickets (12 or more) are \$30 each, children 12 and under are free. Please pay Cynthia by August 17.

Sunday School (In Person/Zoom/Facebook Live) @ 9:45 Worship (In Person/Streamed online on Facebook Live) @ 10:45.

Have a prayer request? Call the Church at 828-264-1414 and leave a message on the voice mail anytime!

Remember to send your tithe to Boone Advent Christian Church P.O. Box 2515 Boone, NC 28607

Please send cards of encouragement to Nancy Penick Nancy Penick Deerfield Ridge Assisted Living 287 Bamboo Road Boone, NC 28607

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Pastor Brittany Jackson

Hi kids!

Sometimes we use words at church, expecting that everyone knows what we mean, without actually explaining them! Disciple (or discipleship) is one of these words that assume we know what it is, without really thinking much about it.

When I was younger, I read a lot of fantasy and medieval books. There were a lot of leather workers, blacksmiths and other craftspeople that I loved to read about. Usually, the main character was a younger apprentice of the skilled master craftsman. It took a whole lot of practice, learning and hard work to learn the skills of the master and to be able to make the amazing products that a true "master" could make.

A disciple is a whole lot like the apprentices I remember. A "disciple" is like an apprentice who studies under a master so that he or she can do the same thing their master does. So being a disciple or apprentice means that the person must practice DOING what the master (Jesus) has shown us to do. So, if we say we follow Jesus, and aren't actually doing what he told and showed us to do, we aren't really following God, or being a disciple.

I pray for each of ya'll to truly follow Jesus, not just say "I'm

a Christian!"

Love you lots! Brittany



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

August 9: Emma Wishon

August 10: Sheri Church

August 12: R.A. & Brenda Cornett

We Love You!

SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTLINE

Our Sunday School Outline for **August 7, 2022, A New Home is from Revelation 21:1-9** Our Lesson Focus: **Be encouraged! God will make all things new.**

This world is a messed up place and it will be until Jesus returns. Revelation 21:4 gives a wonderful promise to believers in the new heaven and new earth with no more death, mourning, crying or pain. We just need to hold on a bit longer because it is coming. Better things are in our future. Our Scripture in this lesson gives great hope for the future.

- *What are some things that discourage us in this life?
- *When you're discouraged, how does faith in God's gift of eternal life change your perspective?
- *How does God's promise to one day make all things new encourage you to keep moving forward?

Our first scripture reading: A Blessed Home is from Revelation 21:1-3

- *What new things did the apostle John see?
- *Then what did John see descending from God in heaven?
- *Who will reside there?

Our second scripture reading: A Blessed Hope is from Revelation 21:4-6

- *What will God wipe away in His holy city?
- *How can we trust this will be so?
- *What will the Lord give us freely from His fountain?

Our third scripture reading: A Blessed Heritage is from Revelation 21:7-9

- *Who will inherit all things?
- *Who will not dwell in God's holy city?
- *What did the angel summon John to come and see?

Our last story – **A New Perspective** – reminds us of the COVID pandemic that consumed the world. People were discouraged and life as "normal" ceased. Throughout the world, people's perspective on life changed. Life became about survival. Christians turned to God's Word and His promise of eternal life. People once more realized this life is not the end but just the beginning.

- *What do you do when chaos fills your daily life?
- *How do God's promises of a new heaven and earth encourage you in the midst of chaos?
- *Do you take time to meditate on His promises when discouraged?

Trusting God is demonstrated through our actions, and not just from our head knowledge. We can say that we trust God's promises, but our actions of living speak louder than our words. We can daily trust Him to fulfill His promises even when we can't always see Him at work in our lives. We would like to have Jesus return now, but God's timing is not our timing. God doesn't tell us the exact time when Jesus will return and make all things new, but we can trust that God will do what He promises.

WEEKLY DEVOTION

A Summer of the Psalms

Since June 1, I have been using a writing plan that my friend Laura put together called "A Summer of Psalms" in addition to our church plans. Since June, this plan directed those participating to write Psalm 100, Psalm 51, Psalm 138, Psalm 30, Psalm 63, and Psalm 69. The plan will continue through August and four additional Psalms will be written by the end of the month. This three month plan has paralleled nicely with our church plans and has given me direction in how to pray, to praise and to present requests to God.

As you likely know, David (shepherd, musician, murderer, adulterer, warrior and king of Israel) wrote many of the Psalms. He has been called a man after God's own heart. In these psalms David laments, repents, and relents to Almighty God. David recognizes from where he came, what he had done and by Whose strength he was able to complete any task. He shouted praise to God. He acknowledged the Lord's love and faithfulness, he cried for mercy, protection, forgiveness, redemption and he requested the Lord's favor.

All in all, writing these verses and meditating on them have shown me that we can be real with God. We can tell Him our troubles, trials, temptations. We can cry to Him when we feel all hope is lost. We can request His deliverance from that awful situation. Most of all though, I have learned that no matter what the situation, we should praise the Lord. David praised and exalted and magnified the Lord during some of the most difficult days and circumstances - yes, before and after he became king of the land. David does serve as a great example for us. The Psalms are wonderful to use as a guide to praise, adore, confess our sins, repent of our wrongs, make supplication for others as well as yourself and to thank God for all He has done. Give it a try and you will be amazed at how it impacts your prayer life.

Psalm 63 - A psalm of David. When he was in the Desert of Judah.

You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.
Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.
I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.
I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

On my bed I remember you;
I think of you through the watches of the night.
Because you are my help,
I sing in the shadow of your wings.
I cling to you;
your right hand upholds me.

Those who want to kill me will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth. They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals.

But the king will rejoice in God; all who swear by God will glory in him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.

Much love to you today dear friends, Sara