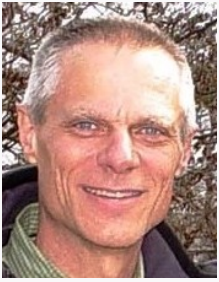


A Word From Pastor Jim



Jesus did lots of things during his life. He healed the sick and restored sight to the blind. He hung out with outcasts, bringing dignity to the previously undignified. He performed miracles. He challenged long-standing religious beliefs. His teachings were disturbing, the most disturbing of all was his claim to be God. He made people so uncomfortable and angry that some wanted him dead...and they succeeded. And of course, three days later, he rose from the dead. We know the story, but the question is “why”? Why did Jesus come?

Join us Sunday morning on Facebook Live as we wrestle with this important question through what is, perhaps, the most well-known Biblical passage in history. Our worship begins at 10:30 but I encourage you to check in early and enjoy chatting with friends! I look forward to connecting with you on Sunday.



Join us in **Worship**

Sunday, June 21, 2020
10:30 a.m.

Message:
Why Did Jesus Come?

John 3:1-17

Weekly Study Guide

Name three things you know to be true about Jesus:

Name three questions you have about Jesus?

Which of the two questions above was the easier for you to answer? Why?

Read John 3:1-15...carefully. What do you find interesting...confusing...troubling?

Now read John 3:16-17. Notice the words “believes in”. What’s the difference between *believing* and *believing in*?

Does verse 17 add any clarity to verse 16? Why or why not?

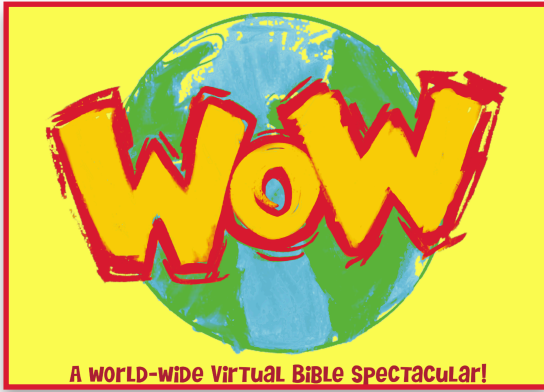
Put yourself in Nicodemus’ place. Do you think he walked away satisfied or confused after speaking with Jesus?

Nicodemus appears again in John 7:50 and John 19:39. What might these passages tell us about Nicodemus and his relationship with Jesus?

Daily Prayer: God, thank you for giving me the honor of calling you “Father”. Give me the courage, the wisdom, the eyes and the heart to see you today as my “Perfect Parent”. Amen.

Vacation Bible School Update

Adhering to state guidelines, Rocky Railway VBS scheduled for July 27-31 has been cancelled due to the Covid-19 virus. However, we are excited to share our plans for a virtual Vacation Bible School experience via www.wowvbs.live.



WOW VBS is a four-episode, four-day Bible Spectacular Event! Each day will feature a different host from around the world, a kidmin guest artist and celebrity cameos. Kids and families will view a fun, engaging, interactive program of worship, Bible stories, fun, magic, games and a presentation of the gospel message.

We are hosting WOW VBS the week of **June 22-25** (Monday-Thursday) for both preschoolers and elementary age children. For preschoolers, there will be a 10-minute program each morning at 9:45. At 10 o'clock a 35-40 minute program will be presented for elementary children.

Each day at the conclusion of the WOW VBS event, our Sedgfield VBS team will offer a closing session at 10:45 via Zoom.

Parents & Guardians...we are asking you to complete a very simple [online registration](#) so that we can send you the links that will allow your child to participate. All the links you will need will be emailed on Sunday, June 21.

We hope your child will be able to join us!



Mary Jo Bridges
Children's Ministry Director

Current Sermon Series



GOOD ANSWERS

Tune in Sunday morning at 10:30 for “Good Answers”!

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers on Sunday, June 21 have been given in honor of the dads in our church family and in recognition of all the men in our lives who helped shape our Christian journey.



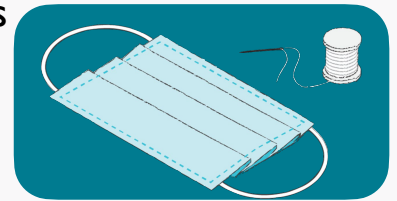
If you would like to donate altar flowers for one of the Sundays in August, please contact the church office or call Clara Hedberg at 704-375-9588 to check available dates or to order flowers. The cost of the flowers is \$40.



COVID-19

Face Mask Protection

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have posted



recommendations on face masks along with instructions on how to make a homemade mask. For more information visit www.cdc.gov and search for “mask”.



Your safety in mind

COVID-19 Response

Worship Update

On March 15 we began gathering on Sunday mornings by way of Facebook Live not knowing exactly how long we might worship virtually. I want to thank you for your patience, for the encouragement you have given our worship team, for your continued faithfulness to be present “in” worship and for your commitment to support our church financially during the COVID-19 shut down.

Unfortunately, after a 14 week shut down, we still do not know how long our campus will continue to be closed. However, I do want to make you aware that we have a team in place that is already at work developing a “reopen plan” to ensure your safety when we do return to our sanctuary. At a future date, the reopen plan will be shared with you.

Until we can meet in person, I ask you to pray daily for our church family and those who have been affected by COVID-19.

Blessings,
Pastor Jim



Prayer Requests



Jaime Garcia
Ruby Gardiner
Jim Johnson
Tommy Reep
Sue Van Vynckt

Recently Hospitalized: *Polly Haney*
(765 Poindexter Dr • Charlotte, NC 28209)

If you have a request or concern
that you would like added to our
prayer list, please send the
request to:

prayerrequest@sedgefieldchurch.org

A Covenant Prayer in the Wesleyan Tradition

*I am no longer my own but yours.
Put me to what you will,
rank me with whom you will.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed for you
or laid aside for you,
exalted for you or brought low for you.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things
to your pleasure and disposal.
And now, glorious and blessed God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
you are mine and I am yours.
So be it.
And the covenant now made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven.
Amen.*



Ways to Give Your Offerings to Sedgefield UMC



Online Through

sedgefieldchurch.org

Make a credit card or electronic contribution.



Bank Draft

Set up automatic contributions through your bank's Online Bill Pay.



Church

Mail your check to:

Sedgefield UMC
2830 Dorchester Pl
Charlotte, NC
28209



Online Through

wnccumc.org

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Virtual Vacation Bible School Daily Schedule

June 22-25

9:45-9:55 - Preschooler Event

10-10:40 - Elementary Event

10:45 - Closing Session with Ms. Mary Jo



CALENDAR

All meetings will be held virtually via Zoom.
To join by phone, call 1-312-626-6799.
To connect by computer, go to www.zoom.us

▶ **Let's Connect! with Pastor Jim** ◀

Wednesday, June 24

1:00 p.m.



Meeting ID: 954 3442 7851

▶ **Church Council Meeting** ◀

Thursday, June 25

6:30 p.m.



Meeting ID: 987 2528 2293

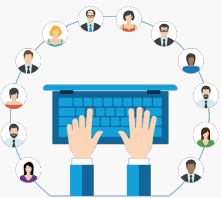
▶ **Board of Trustees Meeting** ◀

Thursday, July 2

6:30 p.m.



Meeting ID: 964 0691 8975





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