

## **A Word From Pastor Jim**



Everybody knows what an <u>American</u> is...what a <u>Canadian</u> is...what a <u>comedian</u> is. But what is a <u>Christian</u>? There are lots of answers out there. Some have to do with "belief". Others say it's about "relationship" Still others claim it has something to do with "salvation". Defining a "Christian" is hard, because the word is rarely used and never defined in the Bible. And yet, Jesus—despite never having used the term

—could not have been clearer in defining what a Christian is...or rather, what a Christian should be.

We will look for a *Good Answer* to the question, "What is a Christian" on Sunday morning when our church family will gather to worship. We will meet at 10:25 on Facebook Live and I hope you will join us.



# Join us in Worship

Sunday, June 28, 2020 10:30 a.m.

Message:

What is a Christian?

John 1:1-14 and 4:6-26

# **Weekly Study Guide**

How do you define "Christian"? Does the word have positive or negative images for you, and why?
Who is the best "Christian" you knowand why? Who is the worst "Christian" you know, and why?
John says that Jesus is "full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). What is "grace"? What is "truth"?
Read John 4:6-26. Where does Jesus offer grace? Where does Jesus speak truth?
To whom can you extend grace today?
What truth might Jesus say to you today about your life?

**Daily Prayer:** God, help me have more grace when it comes to others...and more truth when it comes to myself. Amen.

### Virtual VBS at Sedgefield

Wow! We had a wonderful week at our virtual VBS. Twenty kids from our church and neighborhood connected with kids from 30 countries to learn about God's Love. Our WOW theme verse for the week was "I can do all things because Christ gives me the strength." Philippians 4:13.



Monday's lesson was God Gives Us COURAGE. Our story was Jesus Walks on Water. Tuesday's lesson was God Gives Us HOPE. Our story was Jesus Calls Lazarus Out of the Grave. Wednesday's lesson was God Gives Us HELP. Our story was The Good Samaritan. Thursday's Lesson was God Gives Us Love. Our story was The Prodigal Son.

The kids enjoyed learning through storytellers, ventriloquists, puppeteers, singers, dancers and magicians. I would like to thank FaithKidz Ministries for creating this WOW VBS. It was AWESOME!

Enjoy the pictures from our WOW VBS!



Mary Jo Bridges Children's Ministry Director







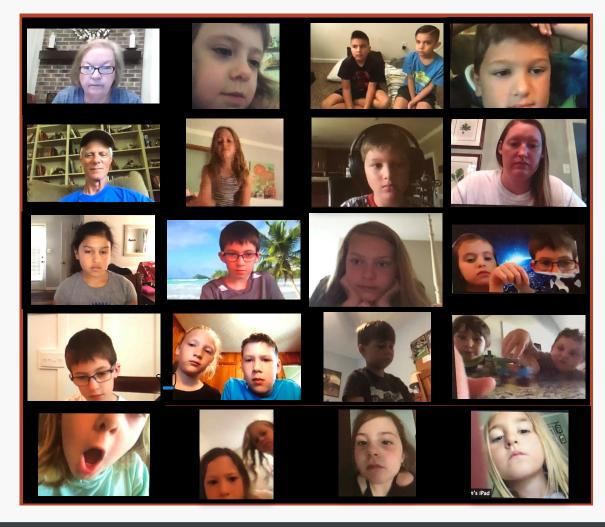
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### **Current Sermon Series**



Tune in Sunday morning at 10:30 for "Good Answers"!
Sermons can also be viewed at www.sedgefieldchurch.org

June 14, 2020 Who is God? (Matthew 6:7-9, Mark 14:36)

> June 21, 2020 Why Did Jesus Come? (John 3:1-17)

# Dismantling Racism: A Service of Lament

Earlier this week, United Methodist church leaders conducted a service of lament, inviting United



Methodists across the connection to join in a time of repentance, communion and commitment as the church examines racial injustice as part of The United Methodist Church's Dismantling Racism:

Pressing On To Freedom initiative.

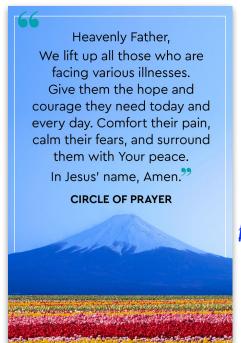
Visit www.umc.org to view the service.

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### **Prayer Requests**



Jaime Garcia
Ruby Gardiner
Polly Haney
Jim Johnson
Tommy Reep
Sue Van Vynckt



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

prayerrequest@sedgefieldchurch.org

### **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers on Sunday, June 28 have been given in celebration of the 63rd wedding anniversary of Carl and Clara Hedberg.



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.

# Ways to Give Your Offerings to Sedgefield UMC



# Online Through

sedgefieldchurch.org

Make a credit card or electronic contribution.



#### Church

Mail your check to:

Sedgefield UMC 2830 Dorchester Pl Charlotte, NC 28209



### **Bank Draft**

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



### Online Through

wnccumc.org

Make a credit card or electronic contribution.

#### From the Board of Trustees



On Tuesday of this week, work began to replace the roof on the Education Building. In addition to a new roof, all gutters on the Sanctuary Building and Education Building will be cleaned and tested. Weather permitting, the work will be completed in approximately five days.

A project completed this week was repairs to our outdoor sign. Thanks to our Board of Trustees for their dedication to maintaining our buildings and grounds.







All meetings will be held virtually via Zoom.

To join by phone, call 1-312-626-6799.

To connect by computer, go to <a href="https://www.zoom.us">www.zoom.us</a>



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

Wednesday, July 1 1:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 954 3442 7851

### ► Kid's Zoom ◀

Wednesday, July 1 7:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 991 0371 7498

# ▶ Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, July 2 6:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 964 0691 8975





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