

# **A Word From Pastor Jim**



The word "church" is bound to stir lots of different emotions. Some love the church; others, not so much. Some believe in the church and the good that it does around the world; others see the church as an institution that can maker people feel unwelcome, guilty or small. Some say the church is great just the way it is; others say the church needs to be redefined in order to reach more people. Maybe there's a third option. Maybe it's time to remember what the church was originally meant to be.

What is that third option? We'll answer that question Sunday morning when we gather to worship. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we continue to meet virtually, a concept completely unimaginable to the church of the 1st century! We invite you to join us. We start at 10:30 but you are encouraged to drop in around 10:25 in time to greet other worshippers.

~Pastor Jim



# Join us in Worship

Sunday, July 12, 2020 10:30 a.m.

# Message:

What is Church?

Matthew 16:13-18 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

# **Weekly Study Guide**



When you think of "the church", what comes to mind? Why?	
In your experience, have you found church to be 1) obsessed with rules and behaviors, 2 radically loving, or 3) a little of each? Cite examples	)
<ul> <li>Read Matthew 16:13-18.</li> <li>Note Jesus' questions in verses 13 and 15. What was his purpose behind each of these questions?</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>In verse 18, Jesus declares the church to be unstoppable. Do you agree? Why or verse 18.</li> </ul>	 vhy 
Read <u>1 Corinthians 6:19-20</u> .  • What does Paul mean when he says that your body is a temple? (verse 19)	
What is one thing you can do this week to honor God with your body? (verse 20)	

**Daily Prayer:** God, help me be the church today. Amen.

#### **Current Sermon Series**



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

Sermons can also be viewed at <a href="https://www.sedgefieldchurch.org/sermons/">www.sedgefieldchurch.org/sermons/</a>

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

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

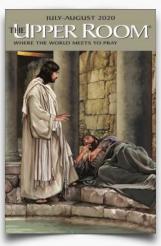
June 28, 2020 **What is a Christian?** (John 1:1-14, 4:6-26)

July 5, 2020 **Does God Have a Plan for My Life?**(2 Corinthians 11:22-26,
Romans 8:24-29)

# Access to The Upper Room

During these days of pandemic, <u>The Upper Room</u> magazine is allowing churches with a subscription (which Sedgefield UMC has) to reproduce their daily devotions for July and August.

If you unfamiliar with the magazine, The Upper Room, provides a daily suggested Bible reading, a short devotional thought, a prayer focus and a thought for the day.



If you have not used <u>The Upper Room</u>, you are encouraged to use this wonderful resource. If you would like to receive the daily devotions, please contact the church office at 704-523-0077.

### **Altar Flowers**

The altar flowers on Sunday, July 12 have been given in recognition of the 40th wedding anniversary of Luis & Pilar Tochiki.



If you are interested in providing flowers for a Sunday in August, please contact the church office at 704-523-0077 or call Clara Hedberg at 704-375-9588. The cost of the flowers is \$40.



### **Prayer Requests**

Jaime Garcia Ruby Gardiner Polly Haney 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

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sedgefieldchurch.org

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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

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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>

# **▶** Faith Development Committee ◀

Monday, July 13 10:30 a.m.

Meeting ID: 954 3442 7851

# ► Let's Connect! with Pastor Jim ◀

Wednesday, July 15 1:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 954 3442 7851

# **►** Missions Committee ◀

Tuesday, July 14 6:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 891 0726 9560

### **►** Church Council ◀

Thursday, July 16 6:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 838 4961 3412







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