

A Word From Pastor Jim



When Jesus decided to drop in on Martha and her sister Mary, Martha's first impulse was to get started with all the preparations. In doing so, she was being faithful to the cultural norm and religious tradition of hospitality. Her plans, however, did not include Mary plopping down at Jesus' feet, leaving her with all the work. That, however, is exactly what Mary did. It is no wonder that Martha was upset. You would be too!

I look forward to our gathering Sunday morning on Facebook Live. We will get started at 10:30 with pre-worship music beginning at 10:25. Hope to see you then.

~Pastor Jim



This Week in Worship

Message:

The Better Thing

Luke 10:38-42

Sunday, August 16, 2020
10:30 a.m.

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/SedgefieldChurchCLT/>

Weekly Study Guide



Have special friends or family members ever surprised you with a visit? How did it turn out?

Do you enjoy entertaining others in your home? Why or why not?

In his book, The Myth of Multitasking: How Doing It All Gets Nothing Done, Dave Crenshaw writes: *“The more responsibility you have, the more hats you wear, the more likely you are to become inefficient.”* Crenshaw goes on to suggest that multitasking is a *“lie that wastes time and costs money”* at home and at work, because the human brain can only do one thing at a time. Do you agree or disagree...and why?

Read [Luke 10:38-42](#). Do you identify more closely with Martha or Mary, and why?

What have you been forced to stop doing that you did before the pandemic, and how are you using that time?

Identify the 2-3 people in your life that love you the most. How can you love them back this week?

Find one new way to connect with God this week, and do it.

Daily Prayer: *God, help me get rid of unnecessary distractions so I can focus on you and on others this week. Amen.*

The average experience for an African American in US history is one of stagnation or retreat, not of progress.

IS THIS STATEMENT

TRUE OR FALSE



Learn Dr. Philip Klinkner's response to this statement in a nine minute video entitled *Continued Struggles in American Race Relations*. Dr. Klinkner is a noted author, professor and political scientist who has focused his studies on race relations in American politics and history.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ubo2nMvJ7KU&feature=youtu.be&t=128>



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HELPING YOU STAY SAFE AT HOME

BEGINNING July 2020

Mecklenburg County
Department of Social Services
is partnering with Bio-One to
offer **FREE** disinfecting
services to our valued older
adults.

**IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL
US AT
980-314-6800 • OR •
EMAIL US AT
SFA-EVENTS@MECKLENBURGCOUNTYNC.GOV**

While there is no cleaning method that guarantees total elimination of the virus, Bio-One's cleaning protocol suppresses the spread and threat of coronavirus.

WE ARE AT YOUR SERVICE!

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Disinfecting Services

Qualifications:

- Are you a Mecklenburg County Resident?
- Are you 60 years of age or older?
- Are you able to leave your home for 3 hours while services are rendered?

Please **BE SURE** to speak slowly when you leave the following information to schedule your appointment:

- Full name and age
- Address with zip code
- Phone number and/ or email





The Pocket Prayer

Father,
 You are good.
 I need help.
 So do they.
 Thank you.
 In Jesus' name,
 amen.

Max Lucado

Prayer Requests

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| Jaime Garcia |  | Ruby Gardiner |
| Polly Haney | | Gerry Meyer |
| 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

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.

Altar Flowers



The altar flowers on Sunday, August 16 have been given in honor of **Warren & Alice Richards** who will celebrate their 39th wedding anniversary on August 21.

Over the past 39 years both Alice and Warren have volunteered at Sedgefield in many capacities. Currently Alice is a Member-At Large on the Church Council. Warren teaches in the Wesley Sunday School class and takes care of the sign in our front yard.

If you would like to provide flowers for an upcoming Sunday, please contact the [church office](#) or call Clara Hedberg at 704-375-9588. The cost of the flowers is \$40.



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Thank you for your generous donation of school supplies for Sedgefield Middle School. Our church and neighborhood donated 27 bags/boxes of supplies. The supplies were delivered to the school on Monday morning. Thanks to Cindy Gadd and Jim Bridges for helping with the delivery!



Also, thank you for your donation of snack items for the staff at Sedgefield Middle School. We packed 80 bags of yummy snacks for the staff to enjoy during their Professional Development this past week. A special thanks to Carol Little, Julie Courtney and Sara Kidd for helping with this project.

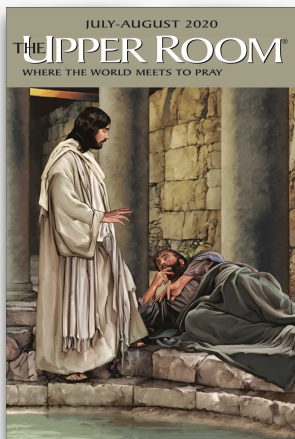
Thanks for supporting our neighborhood school!

Hebrews 13:16 "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."



Mary Jo Bridges
Faith Development Committee

Daily Devotions



The Upper Room magazine provides a daily suggested Bible reading, a short devotional thought, a prayer focus and a thought for the day. If you have not used *The Upper Room*, you are encouraged to check out this wonderful resource. If you would like to receive the daily devotions, please contact the church office at 704-523-0077.

Current Sermon Series



August 2, 2020
*An Uninvited
Dinner Guest*
Luke 7:36-50

August 9, 2020
*Miracle of the
Heart*
Luke 9:10-17

Previous services can be viewed at www.sedgefieldchurch.org/sermons/

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!* ◀

Wednesday, August 19

1:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 954 3442 7851

▶ **Church Council** ◀

Thursday, August 20

6:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 854 2934 7775

▶ **Staff-Parish Relations** ◀

Sunday, August 23

11:45 a.m.

Meeting ID: 898 2336 8373





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