

... our mission ...

To know, love, and serve God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

... our values ...

To know God...*Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior. Psalm 25:5*

To love God...*to love the Lord your God, to walk in his ways, to obey his commands, to hold fast to him... Joshua 22:5*

To serve God...*You will be my witnesses...to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8*

...and make disciples of all nations... Matthew 28:19

With all our heart, soul, mind and strength... *Let us not love with just words or speech but with actions and in truth. 1 John 3:18*

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welcome from Pastor Stan

Worshipping God can be many things. It is a gift, a blessing and it can be life changing; it can be planned or spontaneous. Worship can spring from our greatest joys or times of desperation. Apostle Paul and Silas were attacked by a crowd, beaten, severely flogged and imprisoned with their feet fastened in stocks. Yet even with all that, *"About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God . . ."* Paul and Silas' worship of God did not depend on their circumstances and neither does ours today. Regardless of what is happening in our lives, worship reminds us of God's great promise, *"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."*

Pastor's study: 1 John 4:7-12

In our secular culture, love is usually considered to be just a feeling. However, in this passage John tells us that love is actually a choice and an action. Thankfully, John also reveals to us the source of love so that we can find it ourselves.

- 1.) *"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God (v. 7)."* In these verses John finds a connection between loving others and knowing God. What is that connection? What is the relationship between loving others and knowing God?
- 2.) In just three words, *"God is love"* John give us both a definition of love and a description of God. How do you define love and describe God? How do you explain *"God is love"* to others?
- 3.) God expressed his love for us through sacrifice when He *"... sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins (v. 10)."* In addition to sacrificing his Son, what other ways does God express his love for you?
- 4.) In v. 12 John tells us *"... if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."* What does it mean that God is made "complete" in us?

today:

Nic and Kendra Gibson are serving in the nursery, for children newborn through age 3.

There is no children's church today, so children to remain in the sanctuary.

Please plan to stay after service for lunch and meet our pastoral candidate and his family.

Book study, 4:00 in the library.

this week:

Monday: Alpha Brown County, 5:50-8:00pm.

Tuesday: Parkview Quilters, 10-2.

Wednesday: Red Cross Community Blood Drive in the Family Life Center, 2-7pm.

Wednesday: 6:00-6:30pm: Supper. Spaghetti, garlic bread, and salad.

6:30-7:40: Children's program, teen group, and adult prayer/discussion group.

Thursday: Ladies Prayer group, 10:00am.

Shoebox collection week hours in our Family Life Center:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 5:30-7:30pm

Thursday: 1:00-3:00pm

Friday and Saturday: 10:00am-noon

Sunday: noon-2:00

Monday: 9:00-11:00am

prayer needs:

Alpha team and guests • our church board • Melissa Clark • Carol Farlee • DeMova Brumley • Our schools • Ruby Pruitt • Mark Sisson • Josiah Green • Naomi Pruitt • Teresa Harden • Our church's ministry