February 13, 2022



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We Approach God

Welcome & Announcements Jr Choir – "What a Friend"

Praise Singing
"Build My Life"
"Oceans"

Congregational Prayer

We Hear God's Word

Children's Message – Jackie Clark

Message – Re-forming Me: Hope for Nobodies

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5

We Respond to God

Prayer "Glorious Day"

Blessing

Memory Verse for Feb 16th

Praise be to the Lord, who has given rest to his people Israel just as he promised. Not one work has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses. – 1 Kings 8:56



Hope for Nobodies

1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5

1. ____ Chooses & Calls (1:26-28)

2. God Chooses & Calls N

The Corinthians (1:27–28)

the dumb (1:20,26-27)

the followers (1:26)

the commoners (1:26)

the weak, lowly, despised, unnoticed (1:27-28)

Paul (2:1-5;15:8-9; 2 Cor. 10:10; Gal. 4:12-15)

Some Somebodies...

...Evidence points to the presence of some Christians in Corinth with means or influence. These include (1) officeholders—Crispus (1:14; cf. Acts 18:8) and Erastus (Rom. 16:23); (2) heads of significant households—Crispus, Stephanas (1:16; 16:15), and Chloe (1:11); (3) those capable of "service" to Paul or others which presupposed a measure of wealth—Gaius (1:14; cf. Rom. 16:23) and Titius Justus (Acts 18:17); and (4) those who traveled for business purposes or as merchants—Aquila and Priscilla (16:19; cf. Rom. 16:3; Acts 18:2, 26), Phoebe (Rom. 16:1–2), Erastus, Stephanas, and possibly Chloe's people (1:11).⁷¹ In the light of this, Witherington's conclusion is judicious: "The social level of the Corinthian Christians apparently varied from quite poor to rather well off... a fair cross section of urban society."

⁷¹ Theissen, *The Social Setting of Pauline Christianity*, 95; cf. Thiselton, 181–82.

⁷² Witherington, *Conflict and Community*, 23.

Ciampa, R. E., & Rosner, B. S. (2010). *The First Letter to the Corinthians* (p. 105). William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company.

3. God Chooses & Calls Nobodies to Receive, Know, & Preach Christ Crucified by all means.

A. R	Christ by faith (2:5)
B. R	to Know Christ (2:2; 1:30)
C. R	/Preach Christ Crucified by all means! (1:1,17; 2:1,3,4)

A RABBIT HOLE: "by all means"

APPLICATION:

Receive Christ by faith, then
Resolve to know &
Reveal Christ crucified.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. In what way do you see yourself as a "nobody"?
- 2. In what way do you see yourself as a "somebody"?
- 3. How might this passage begin to fix the divisions in the Corinthian church?
- 4. What is the power of the Spirit saying to you regarding receiving Christ by faith, resolving to know Christ, and revealing Christ crucified? (Read these passages for more direction... Romans 10:9-10; Ephesians 3:14-19; Phil. 3:7-11; Romans 15:18-21.)
- 5. What specifically will you do this week?

Upcoming Events

Feb 13	8:30am – Prayer Meeting
	9:30am – Pastor Kevin, Jr Choir
	10:45am – Sunday School
Feb 14	6:30pm – Men's Bible Study – "Fight"
Feb 15	8:00am – Prayer Meeting
Feb 16	6:00pm – Intermediate Praise Team
	6:20pm – Sonshine Singers, Jr Choir
	6:30pm – Mixed Choir
	6:45pm – Bible Class
	7:00pm – High School Praise Team
	7:30pm – High School Youth Group, Men's Chorus
Feb 17	12:00pm – Pastor Meeting
Feb 18	5:00pm – Chili Supper & Bible Trivia
Feb 20	8:30am – Prayer Meeting
	9:30am – Pastor Doug, Mixed Choir, 3 Minutes for Missions – Potratz
	10:45am – Sunday School
	6:30pm – Middle School Youth Group

Youth News

Middle School – No meeting tonight! Thanks for a great weekend at the Overnighter. Use tonight to catch up on some sleep!

High School – Wednesday we're talking about some of the disciples and the lives Jesus called them out of. See you at 7:30! Don't forget to bring your items for the chili supper!

Opportunities to Get Involved

Chili Supper/Bible Trivia – The middle and high school youth groups are joining up to do this annual fundraiser this Friday, February 18th from 5-8pm. Chili, bread and cheese, bars and cookies will be served throughout the night, the chili cook off competition will be judged at 6pm, and Bible Trivia will begin at 7pm. Bring a team of up to 8 people for some fun competition! If you have a team, sign them up at the Information Center. All proceeds from this event will go toward both youth group's retreats and upcoming events.

Women's Bible Studies – The Women's Ministry Team will be hosting 3 different bible studies beginning the week of February 28th through the week of April 11th. "Elijah" Mondays at 6:30pm, "In His Image" Tuesdays at 9:30am, and "Resisting the Rush" Sundays at 10:45am. More details in your church mailbox. Signup at the Information Center by February 20th.

Pinewood Derby Family Night – Join us at the Alto Community Center on Monday, April 11th from 5:30-7:30pm for fun, free night. We'll have a meal at 5:30pm and races will start at 6pm. Not racing a car? We'll have other family friendly activities too. Sign-up and grab a car kit with instructions at the Children & Families Resource Center by March 20th. Classes range from 1st grade to adult.

All Church Retreat – Join us for our 1st All Church Retreat at Silver Birch Ranch April 22-24. Check your mailbox or the Information Center for the brochure with all the details! Register online at https://forms.gle/ETUUM2LCFIHTVXQC8 by March 31st or contact Megan to get help with registration. Any questions, reach out to Pastor Doug, Adrea, or Jessa.

Bulletin Board News

Offering may be placed in one of the three white offering boxes located in the lobby. Upcoming benevolent schedule: 2/13 Missionary Salary, 2/20 Regular Benevolence, 2/27 Missionary Salary, 3/6 Missionary Salary.

Congrats to Ron & Helene Daane as they celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary on February 14th.

Food Pantry Collection – During the month of February we are collecting feminine hygiene products for the Waupun Food Pantry. The food pantry will coordinate with the Waupun Area Jr/Sr High School to distribute these products to girls in need. Donations may be placed in the tote in the copy room.

Trophies of Grace Sportsmen's Dinner – You're invited to the Rock Gold Club in Waupun on March 5 at 4pm for the Trophies of Grace Sportsmen's Dinner featuring speaker Jim VanSteenhouse. The evening will include a whitetail display, dinner, door prizes, and Jim will share about his near-death experience that changed his life completely. Ticket cost is \$40 (includes dinner & raffle). Tickets may be purchased at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/trophies-of-grace-sportsmens-dinner-tickets-

226317420497?fbclid=lwAR1p8C0m_NdvhFy9Zjs18tOpnO9PekLlj8nbXIAI7ow28GFZ8W9IFjRK4Yw or by emailing trophiesofgraceinfo@gmail.com

P - praise R - repent A - ask Y - yield

Praise: Holy Spirit, I give thanks for your work in me, convicting me of my rebellion, revealing the power of Christ's crucifixion, and drawing me into a relationship with Jesus. I am just a "nobody," but you saw fit to choose and call me to receive, know, & preach Christ Crucified by all means.

Repent: Father, forgive me for, too often, thinking I am a "somebody," and more import than others by worldly standards. Forgive me for wanting to stand over others rather than bowing at the foot of the cross.

Ask: Help me to preach Christ crucified by every means...

- Revive my faith by inspiring me to study your Word and to pray without ceasing.
- Renew my passion for your mission and help me reach the lost.
- Heal and strengthen those listed below as they face challenges each day.

Yield: I surrender to You and commit to living under the cross, resolving to know Christ crucified and preaching Christ crucified.

Healing: Friends and family with cancer, undergoing treatment, hospitalized, recovering from surgery or illness: Ashley Bruins, Betty Daane, Dusty Deming, Alvin Harmsen, Diane Harmsen, Sharon Harmsen, Annice Hopp, Jim Parrish, Dave Rumley, Jessica Schultz, Jean Stelsel, Carl VanderKooi, Jake Vande Zande, and Silas Willey.

THIS WEEK... Pray for Brad Flier as he recovers from back surgery.

Military Personnel:

the South China Sea

Aaron Zeatlow, stationed in New Mexico; Sebastian Hoenisch, stationed in the San Diego, grandson of Larry & Gloria Mulder; Mitch Miller, stationed in **Shut-ins:** Members in assisted living, nursing homes or those confined to their home: Anchor Communities (Brandon): Dale Kastein Barrett House: Lowell Glewen Beaver Dam Assisted Living: Brian Hemp Beaver Dam Memory Care: Cora Hemp **Christian Home:** Sharon Harmsen, Helen Straks, Junice Vande Zande, Kay Vande Zande **Christian Homestead:** Warren Vande Zande *Evergreen:* Glen Loomans *Hillside Manor:* Harvey Daane *Home:* Margaret Hoekstra, Dayton Ter Beest Maple Meadows: Arlene Henning Marvin's Manor: Eleanor Loomans *Prairie Ridge:* Annice Hopp

Missionaries: Bob Abel – Remember Nhu, Steve & Amanda Bialy – Converge, Chris Briggs – CCCD, Mandy Kimes – His House Christian Fellowship, Andy Lickel – InterVarsity, Jersey & Preston Sheldon – Overland Missions, Randy & Wanda Potratz – SIM, Scott Ritzema – Youth for Christ