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Thursday, November 28, 2024 (Happy Thanksgiving!)

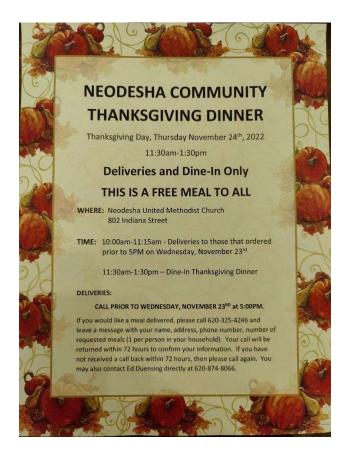
Pastor Joseph's Take Away From Last Week's Message (Sunday, Nov 24, 2024)

Luke 17: 11 - 19 9 were cleansed & content 1 was cleansed & complete

Are you good with just being content or are you wanting to be complete?

Word from Ashley:

Do NOT remove your lampstand!







Notice: There will not be Sunday evening services at Christ Church until after the 1st of the year. Please enjoy this time with your family but DO spend personal time in God's word and in prayer!

Acts of Service Next Week (Sun Dec 1)

Cleaning (wk of 11/24-30): The Ewerts

Communion: Michael Lamendola

Nursery: Sydra Robertson

Greeters: Alyssa Aylor/Shawn Lavine

CC Kids: **FAMILY WORSHIP SUNDAY**





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Christ Churcher Shoutouts!

Our Children's Director, Katie Ewert, has been working on her Master's Degree in Early Childhood Development at Emporia State University. She is just about to graduate in December. She was just notified that she will be this year's recipient of the Early Childhood Unified Outstanding Graduate Student Award. When you see Katie, be sure and congratulate her on her achievement.

Caitlyn Morrison, Sara Lamendola's daughter, was accepted into the Surgical Technology program at Neosho County Community College! Yeah Caitlyn!



Congratulations:

Kane & Macie Miller Married 11/23 **Birthdays:**

Denise Nisley



UPDATE

Kim Wells & Jen Millar are in the final stages of getting our church directory pulled together. If you have not gotten your information to them, the list will be available for the next couple of weeks. If you want to check it for what you put down, you can do that as well.



1st Sunday of Advent



December 1, 2024

Fogleman Family





Kris VanNice - Financial blessing regarding health care



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Mary & John Dir - Family loss Shannon Pond - Aunt Alli Bennett – health, family Ruth Wright Linda Allen – health Karen Carter - health Ghendi & Ray – health Cousin Family – health Barbara Pelner - health Rick Matlock - health Kelly Powell - health James Bieler Kris VanNice - health Tim Adee Mary LeMaster **Brad Anson** Julia Valentine

Upcoming Dates: Christine Franklin – Dec 16 Harold Robertson – Jan 17

Christmas Caroling For Everyone Dec 22nd Youth Christmas

Party



TODAY'S WORD

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Gene Ewert, Assoc. Pastor Christ Church

As my wife and I drive we have constantly been drawn to the picturesque portraits over and over of cattle grazing in the Flint Hills, pastures and rolling meadows across our country. Every time we are always reminded that "our Father owns the cattle on a thousand hills". However, the other day as we were journeying back home from a short trip away, for some reason I was inspired to have her read that scripture in context — the whole chapter; Psalm 50. Let me tell you we ended up "having church" right there in our truck as she recited that chapter. I encourage you

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right now to go grab your Bible and read the entire chapter!

Anyway, it starts out:

The Mighty One, God the Lord, Has spoken and called the earth From the rising of the sun to its going down. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God will shine

It goes on to say basically that the Lord God, who is the Almighty judge, is not going to call his people out for their sacrifices, He doesn't "need" them but in verses 10 & 11, "For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the mountains, And the wild beasts of the field are Mine."

What the Lord wants is our relationship. The chapter goes on to say in verses 14 & 15: "Offer to God thanksgiving, And pay your vows to the Most High. Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."

To "pay your vows" means to fulfill our side of our relationship with God in response to God's faithfulness to fulfill His side. Isn't that awesome? If we are sincere and consistent in our thanksgiving. If we are fulfilling our side of our relationship toward the Lord. If we call upon the Lord in the day of trouble. He then promises us that He will deliver us! And in all of that, WE WILL GLORIFY HIM! Glorify means to: honor, treasure, value Him above all else! That just gives me

Oh, as we were reading that we were so blessed!! So, I encourage you in this, the next time you see a herd of cattle, a squirrel in a tree, a bird on an electric wire let it remind you they belong to the Lord, but He wants relationship with YOU! The things He asks of us from these verses are really so minor and the result is so great in glorifying Him which will bless Him so much.

One more thing, I encourage you to read the second half of Psalm 50 as well starting in verse 16. I truly believe you will see God's broken heart by those who don't have any relationship with Him or want to use His word to move their own agenda - but He sees right through it. I encourage you to use it as a call to prayer for them to come back in relationship with Him.

Nonetheless, this chapter ends with this last verse as an inspiration:

Verse 23: "Whoever offers praise glorifies Me; And to him who orders his conduct aright I will show the salvation of God."



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as early in the week as possible!