

Mission Statement: We Seek to Love God by Loving Others.



WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE

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Pastor's Page

As I write this, Puerto Rico is being hit by Hurricane Maria, the second hurricane they have felt this month. Earthquakes have again hit Mexico. Concerns about nuclear weapons in North Korea and Iran cause us worries. And there are people predicting the end of the world on September 23 (if you get the chance to read this they were wrong). I could go on adding other crises from around the world, but I think this is sufficient for the point.

On this scale, you and I are overwhelmed by the desperate need to help those who suffer and fear and lost so much. We pray for them and that we never should experience such an event. We can give a gift to Week of Compassion and other agencies trying to help people in desperate situations, but we don't believe that it will help everyone. Despair grows.

Our Tuesday evening Bible study is reading Mark. Last night we read the second feeding of the multitude which is followed by Jesus and the Disciples getting into a boat to cross the sea. During the journey, the disciples worry that they only have 1 loaf of bread, despite witnessing a second feeding of multitudes. They saw Jesus take a few loaves and some fish and abundantly feed over 9000 people, but when it comes to feeding themselves, they worried about scarcity of bread.

As Christians, we are to listen to the wisdom of Jesus and discover the blessings of God. God created a world of abundance. We are taught that there can never be enough for all. When disasters occur, we fall back on the lessons of the world and not on the lessons of our faith. We become susceptible to those who point to events as signs of the end times and our lack of resources to offer help.

Jesus was teaching his disciples to trust in the act of generosity to make a difference. Generosity is contagious, people witness the sacrifice made to help and respond by sharing their resources rather than hiding them away. We witnessed the generosity of people in the victims of Hurricane Harvey as people of all walks of life put themselves at risk to save lives and rescue people trapped in flood waters. They didn't think it was strange or unusual, it is what they believed they were supposed to do for their brothers and sisters. They used their resources to rescue, feed, and protect others and didn't worry about running out of something for themselves. They "fed" thousands. So can we!

"Fear not!" We are the hands, faces, actions, and compassion of our God visible in the world. If we want to see miracles, we have to be willing to participate in the making of miracles that are needed. None of us are exempt. Age is not a limitation, wealth or the lack of it is not a limitation, depth of faith is not a limitation. Fear is our only limitation in order to be part of the miracles needed in our world today. God Is With Us! We *have* to try.

If you never get to read this because the world did end, we are still God's children. If it doesn't end, we are still God's children with the mission to love our neighbors as ourselves, to seek justice, do kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

Shalom, Darrell



Disciple Women Fellowship

The Grace Group women gathered on Thursday, the 21st of September. We had a special guest from Heart of GA Hospice, their volunteer coordinator, Robin Morris, came to tell us more about Camp Wings and how this camp works. She also brought thank you cards and Treats for all the prayers and prayer shawls that have gone to the in-patient unit for their Hospice patients. She shared how much the shawls have meant to the patients and families. In January we'll be starting our 6th year with this ministry and it is amazing how God has blessed it and allowed it to grow and flourish.

Our devotion time was spent reflecting on Romans 13:8-10. Do not harm was our lesson. How can we show concern for others without offending?

That helped us kick off our new season and our ministries for the up-coming year. Angela Crawford told us all about Operation Christmas Child. We will be filling shoe boxes this year with great toys, games, essentials, and lots of LOVE. We hope you will join us as our goal is 25 boxes. Look in your bulletin and newsletters for more information on this project.

We discussed our upcoming yard sale with Christmas Bazaar and bake sale. It will be November 11th from 9-1 in the fellowship hall. We will be taking your donations starting November 1. The last day for donations is November 8. If you would like to make something for the Bazaar or bake sale, those items can be brought up on the 10th or before 9am on the 11th. We look forward to a great sale.

Please join us next month as we gather on October the 19th @6:30 with a cover dish dinner before our meeting at 7. We invite all the ladies to come fellowship with us and bring a friend.

Wishing you many Blessings.

DWF President

Elders: David and Ann Von Almen

Deacons:

Sunday Service Outline

10/1/17 World Communion Sunday

Call to Worship--#232 (unison)
Praise--#261 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" x2

Communion--#384 Here at thy Table Lord"

Scripture--Philippians 2:1-13
Sermon--Doing Good Things
Invitation--#431 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

10/8/17

Call to Worship--#731
Praise--#264 "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is" x2

Communion--#406 "In Memory of the Savior's Love"

Scripture--Philippians 3:4-14
Sermon--Striving to be Christ-like
Invitation--#590 "Kum ba Yah"

10/15/17

Call to Worship--#262 (unison)
Praise--#265 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

Communion--#405 "In Memory of the Savior's Love"

Scripture--Philippians 4:1-9
Sermon--My People vs God's People

Invitation--#688 "When, in Awe of God's Creation"

10/22/17

Call to Worship--#751
Praise--#272 "The Church's One Foundation"

Communion--#408 "Come, Share the Lord"

Scripture--Matt. 22:15-22

Sermon--Measuring My Worth

Invitation--#351 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

10/29/17

Call to Worship--#746

Praise--#286 "This is the Day" x2
Communion--#411 "For the Bread, Which You Have Broken"

Scripture--Matt. 22:34-40

Sermon--Who We Are to Be

Invitation--#452 "Here I am Lord"

KITCHEN SUPPLIES

Liquid Hand Soap, Paper Towels, 39gal Garbage Bags, 13gal Trash Bags, Small Dessert Plates, Kleenex, 16oz Plastic Glasses, Dish Soap, Spray kitchen cleaner, Napkins, Divided Oblong Foam Plates

SAFE HOUSE NEEDS

Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Glass Cleaner, Toilet Cleaner, Cleaning Supplies, Furniture Spray, Divided Foam Plates, Fabric Softener, 8oz Foam Coffee Cups, Napkins

October 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p><i>1</i></p> <p>Carl Shaw Memorial 4pm, Carry-in Dinner after</p> | <p><i>2</i></p> | <p><i>3</i></p> <p>Breakfast— Cracker Barrel 8am</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p> | <p><i>4</i></p> | <p><i>5</i></p> | <p><i>6</i></p> <p>Dirt Farmers 2:30 to 5:30</p> | <p><i>7</i></p> |
| <p><i>8</i></p> | <p><i>9</i></p> <p>Trans Team Mtg 7pm</p> | <p><i>10</i></p> <p>Breakfast— Cracker Barrel 8am</p> <p>Model Club 7pm Bible Study 7pm</p> | <p><i>11</i></p> | <p><i>12</i></p> | <p><i>13</i></p> <p>Dirt Farmers 2:30 to 5:30</p> | <p><i>14</i></p> |
| <p><i>15</i></p> <p>Fellowship Dinner 6pm</p> | <p><i>16</i></p> | <p><i>17</i></p> <p>Breakfast— Cracker Barrel 8 am</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p> | <p><i>18</i></p> | <p><i>19</i></p> <p>Radio Club Mtg 7pm</p> <p>DWF Mtg</p> | <p><i>20</i></p> <p>Dirt Farmers 2:30 to 5:30</p> | <p><i>21</i></p> |
| <p><i>22</i></p> | <p><i>23</i></p> | <p><i>24</i></p> <p>Breakfast— Cracker Barrel 8 am</p> <p>Model Club 7pm Bible Study 7pm</p> | <p><i>25</i></p> | <p><i>26</i></p> <p>Northside Volley Ball 6pm</p> <p>Bariatric Group Meeting 7pm</p> | <p><i>27</i></p> <p>Dirt Farmers 2:30 to 5:30</p> | <p><i>28</i></p> |
| <p><i>29</i></p> | <p><i>30</i></p> | <p><i>31</i></p> <p>Breakfast— Cracker Barrel 8 am</p> <p>Bible Study 7pm</p> <p>Trunk or Treat! 6pm</p> | | | | |

Announcements: On Saturday, October 7, from 11:00-1:00 there will be a Cluster Gathering for Disciples in Warner Robins and Macon to meet at the Regional Office and participate in a discussion about the work and mission of the Regional Church. I hope we can have a good sized group willing to go to Macon and share in the framing of the Regional Mission for 2018.

We will be having a Trunk or Treat with games and prizes on October 31 from 6-8. There will some great games for kids of all ages and free hot dogs and chips to snack on. We need more volunteers to decorate a trunk, help with the games and come enjoy the night!!! Plan to come spend the evening having fun!!!!🎃🍁

October Birthdays:

1 Christopher Von Almen
9 Steven Kidd
11 Dakota Mimbs
17 Greg Ladzinski
18 Jannet Thompson
25 Norbert Duncan
28 Ann Von Almen
29 Angie Hebenstreit
30 Madison Robertson
31 Curtis Scaggs

October Anniversaries:

2 Mike and Gidget Hurlbert
10 Scott and Juliet Nolde
16 Mike and Robin Robertson
23 John and Jeannetta Stokes

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