

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE & WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for October 19-24, 2021



### “What Can God Do With You?”

*“Jesus looked at them and said, with humans this is impossible, but with God all things are possible’.” Matthew 19:26*

A man named Dwight L. Moody was poorly educated, an un-ordained shoe salesman who felt God's call to preach the Gospel. As he gathered with other friends early one morning, as was their practice, for prayer, confession and consecration, Dwight heard words from one of his friends, Henry Varley who said, “The world has yet to see what God can do with and for and through and in a man who is fully and wholly consecrated to Him”. This greatly moved Moody.

Later, at a meeting, Dwight heard Mr. Charles Spurgeon speaking. He recalled his friend, Varley's, words from earlier. Varley, Moody realized, meant God can use any human for His purposes. Right then and there, Moody decided, by the Holy Spirit in him, he would become one of God's men! ***Nothing is impossible with God!***

Although an ordinary man, Dwight L. Moody did some extraordinary things for God! He became a great evangelist, founded a Bible College, Moody Bible Institute in Chicago and trained and equipped many younger men and women to share God's Gospel around the world.

Are you an ordinary man or woman? God wants to do extraordinary things with you! As you begin to trust Him today let Him accomplish great things with you! ***“Nothing is impossible with God!”***

***Excited for the possibilities in God He will show us! Pastor Phil***



### WEEKLY EVENTS:

Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Worship at 10 A.M.

\*\*Special thanks expressed to the Rev. Dr. Matthew McCormick for leading Worship and officiating the Holy Communion today.

While Pastor Phil & Jill are away in Tennessee any pastoral care emergencies may be handled by Pastors Kris or Ginger Littman-Koon at All Saints Lutheran Church. You may reach the church by calling 843-884-5470. Pastor Phil will return for Reformation Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:



Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup> **TRUNK OR TREAT** hosted by DeepWater and St. Mark's Lutheran on the church south lawn. Decorate your car/truck and come share treats, faith and fun with the children from 5-7 P.M.



Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>

Church Outside Workday starting at 9:30 A.M.



Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> we will celebrate **REFORMATION SUNDAY** with Worship at 10. Please wear something **“RED”** that day.

November 1-11<sup>th</sup> Witting Tree. We will need church members to sign up to help Pastor hang the 22 dog tags per day. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex beginning Sunday October 24<sup>th</sup>. There will be 22 dog tags per day hung on one of our live Oak trees on the south lawn of the church. The tree will be known as a “Witting Tree” (which means awareness). The purpose of the campaign is to inform as many people as possible that 22 Veterans per day commit suicide!



Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> we will have the **3rd Annual BLESSING OF VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS** on the south lawn of the church from 11 A.M. to 12 noon! You're invited to come out and share in laying hands on the equipment and blessing all those that help keep our community and nation safe. They have given so much for us; let's respond with our gratitude in person!

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY** will be on Sunday, November 7, 2021. Please have names of your saints to be remembered during our Prayers turned in to Marsha in the church office by Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.



### **BIBLE STUDY FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021**

*IN OUR SOCIETY TODAY PEOPLE HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME KEEPING COMMITMENTS! In our monthly series dealing with “punching holes in the darkness”, we have considered political, religious and cultural changes. We have looked at what it means to have personal and faith convictions and what role they play in influencing our world in positive and faith bound ways. This week we explore what it means to be a “committed” Christian.*

Read Daniel 1:10.

1. What resistance did Daniel encounter and what reason was there for it?
2. Who has resisted your choice(s) for that same reason? Describe those circumstances and ponder them for a short time.
3. What were the risks that Daniel took to overcome this resistance? How did that help him keep his commitment to God?
4. What phrase reveals God was working behind the scenes on Daniel's behalf? Do you think Daniel kept his commitment because he knew God was at work or because of the choice he had made?
5. Read Proverbs 20:1. How does it relate to God's activity on behalf of Daniel? How does this serve to encourage you to keep your commitments and faith always intact?

Stay Connected with God,  
Committed to God and  
Consistent for God

***Commitment is easier to keep if nothing “better comes along” or if no one questions your motives or if there are no consequences. But what if making the choices to follow God's Word and your faith convictions are wrought with consequences for you personally?***

***What if people challenge you or begin to ostracize you because you have those convictions? What if you choose to “stay the course” even though you are uncertain of the outcome? Could God be working through the circumstances to honor your commitment? What blessings might your confidence in God produce? In these times personal faith convictions and commitment to staying God's course are vital if we hope to “punch holes in the darkness of life”. You can and will make a difference in the lives of those around you. Stay with your convictions and remain committed to God!***