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WORSHIP WITH US SUNDAY 10AM

DAGE

I often have a selection of Christian music groups on Pandora radio playing as I drive. There was one line of a song by Sovereign Grace that jumped out at me as being beautifully reflective of our relationship with God. From their song "Jesus Thank You," the line states, "Once your enemy, now seated at your table, Jesus thank you." The song itself is very Christocentric (the focus is on the work of Jesus Christ) laying out the foundation of salvation being from Christ's work for us.

This line stuck out to me because there is a subtle image that is borrowed from Psalm 23 but changed to make what is already an incredible declaration in Psalm 23 even more powerful. If you remember, there is a line in Psalm 23 that says, "you prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies." In this line of the Psalm we see David being invited to sit and enjoy a meal even though his enemies surround him. There is a radical trust in the Lord which we are invited to partake in, to sit, relax, enjoy the favor of God despite the world crumbling around us.

As I heard this song, I heard this line in light of that invitation to rest in the Lord when chaos and fear abound. The author of this song changed the metaphor slightly on me however. Instead of the enemies surrounding me, I was the enemy. This is a point that is referenced all over scripture but James 4:4 perhaps puts it most bluntly, "You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God."

In my mind, I envision the psalmist's setting, a battlefield with enemies all around, a feast prepared in the middle, and then the invitation goes out to the circling enemies of which I am one; come, sit, rest, enjoy. We are invited to His table, by His blood and His body given for us. The table which we celebrate every Sunday, the Lord's Table, truly is something that when we look at the sacrifice given for us, what can we say except, "Jesus Thank You!"

Pastor David

Pastor David's Office Hours: Monday 9 - 12 & 1 - 4 pm | Tues. & Wed. 1-5pm | Thurs. 9 am - 12 pm Pastor David's Phone: 906-290-3510

MISSIONARY SPOTLIGHT

Second Drafts

Redrafting, rewriting, growing, and reshaping are all a part of the year-to-year life of a creative, a camp professional, and a Christian.

In many ways, the past year has been a second draft. Each day, each event, each program, and each month, we have had a chance to improve on our original copy. It is a gift to grow and dive deeper into the tools, gifts, and people God puts in our lives to carry out his plan.

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

This verse has been carried through the last six months of our camp programs. For our 2023 camp theme, we've called God's handiwork, prepared in advance, "My Story." We've talked about how, like a painting, poem, or novel, God has crafted us into unique individuals who he made with gifts and a purpose; he made us with a purpose to share our gifts and stories with others so that they would know the love of God better. He made us with a desire to be in community, sharing our stories and helping each other.

We have been gifted with the privilege and responsibility to meditate on this theme as we've created programs around it. We've gotten to lean into the radical idea that God made us a work of art that has the ability to do good works. As we've leaned into this message, as I've thought of my life as "My Story," I've been able to reflect on the idea of "second drafts." I've paid closer attention to how God is cutting off the bad and pruning the good works in me and the whole team at Camp Daniel.

In 2023, we held our second summer on the new campus, hosted guest groups, put on movie nights, threw holiday parties, created new Weekend Getaways, and grew our Special Olympics programs. As I reflect, I think about how each program and relationship has been a chance at a "second draft" - a chance to develop our characters in "My Story." It's been another year filled with learning and growing, hard and good, character development and plot twists- all the things that make a story interesting.

It's easy to look back on 2023 with thankfulness for the blessings big and small– like our sweet, growing Special Olympics team, the relief in doing some programs for a second time, and the growing community surrounding this ministry. I am even thankful for the idea of a second draft. A chance to do better, love better, and grow closer to lesus.

As we move onward toward the revisions the next 365 days have in store, we want to thank you for your part in Our Story. Thank you for the support and the love you pour into this ministry. What a grand story God is writing.

• Ruth Hucek (Program Director)

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Eph 2:10

You can financially support Ruth by visiting Campdaniel.org



Prayers for the world

Hang it on your fridge or put it in your bible, let's be in prayer for the world near and far

LOCAL

- Pray that people would come to church!
- Pray for the Jail Ministry
- Pray for Special Olympics
- Thank God for the beauty that surrounds us

EUROPE

- Pray for Scott and Collene in London, serving Muslims
- Pray for strength to keep going in ministry
- Pray for revival
- Pray for those who
 accept the gospel to take
 it back to their homeland

Pray for displaced families

COUNTRIES IN CONFLICT

- Pray for peaceful resolution
- Pray for a united global church, even in the midst of countries in conflict.

BRAZIL

- Pray for Ron Middleton
- Pray for our brothers and sisters going to the ends of the earth to share the gospel from Brazil!
- Pray for unity in the church

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

- Pray for direction for missionaries we support here
- Pray against materialism
- Pray that people in places of influence like government and culture accept Christ

SOUTHEAST ASIA

- Pray for Muslims across the land to accept Christ
- Pray for buildings for churches to meet
- Pray protection over missionaries and converts



MY PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

FEBRUARY 2024

COUNTING

Feb 4th	Dave G & Brenda W
Feb 11th	Howie E & Derrick M
Feb 18th	David G & Nora S
Feb 25th	David G & Randy C

Communion

No 1. Sets up, serves and assists with cleaning No 2. Assists with set up, serves and cleans up

Feb 4th

1. David G
2. Brenda W
Feb 11th

1. Howie E
2. Derrick M
Feb 18th

1. David G
2. Nora S
Feb 25th

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2. Randy C

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Feb 4th	Lynn & Andy Lesson 5
Feb 11th	MaryBeth & Joyce Lesson 6
Feb 18th	Erin & Eva Lesson 7
Feb 28th	Deb & Kathy Lesson 8

GREETERS

Feb 4th	Marie R & Dawn G
Feb 11th	Pausts & Ralph
Feb 18th	Marie R
Fah 25th	Larry P

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Bonnie Eastman	8 th
Richard Stillman	9 th
Iola Kelly	15 th
Robert Kaas	21 st
David White	21 st
Doris Lopez	23 rd
Jim Pleuss	25 th
Steve and Judy Porfilio	13 th

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, or got it wrong, please call the church office so that we (hopefully) don't make the same mistake in the future!

SAFETY TEAM

Feb 4th	Randy C
Feb 11th	Andy K
Feb 18th	Howie E
Feb 25th	Andy K

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Feb 4th	Mark
Feb 11th	Kitt
Feb 18th	Nora
Feb 25th	Randy

Sunday Monday
Sunday School Worship 10am Potluck Young Adult Group 6pm
Sunday School Worship 10am Potluck
Sunday School Worship 10am Porfluck Young Adult Group 6pm
Sunday School Worship 10am Potluck