

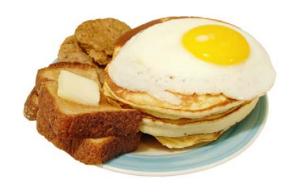


In 1990, a Super Bowl Sunday prayer inspired a group of young people to do something more than celebrate a football game. They created the Souper Bowl of Caring, and have mobilized youth across the country to raise more than \$71 million for people in need.

Please drop \$1 (or more) in a soup pot on Sunday, February 3rd. For more information on the Souper Bowl of Caring visit tacklehunger.org.

Area Men's Breakfast

February 2nd at 8:30am United Disciples Christian Richardson



United Disciples Christian Church 601 E. Main St, Richardson, TX 972/235-3583

Doves Covenant Group

The Doves Covenant Group will be praying for the following during the week of February 6th:

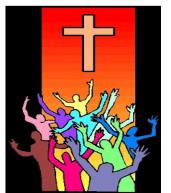
Josh Hamilton
Bob & Joy Hitch
Jeff & Tammy Holcomb
Shay and Jill Houston Family
Courtney Ivie & Family

Bob & Dana Hill Bobby & Barbara Hogue Winston & Mary Jane Hoskins Scott & Angel Huddy Family

Can Collection

JYF has taken over the can collection at the church. This has become a great fundraiser for the kids. Any cans you can bring to the church for recycling would be a great way to help the environment and the JYF kids.

Youth Ministry News



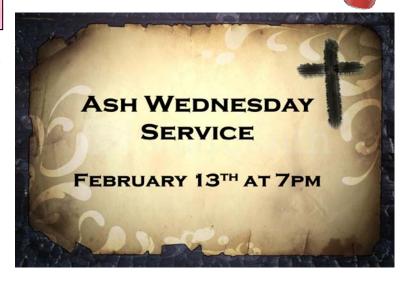
Sunday, February 3rd

NO Youth

GAP Super Bowl Party

CYF & College Bible Study 6pm on Wednesday nights

Chi Rho Midwinter February 8-10



PRAYERS, JOYS, & CONCERNS... FOR THE FOLLOWING:

BEA AXE
LEE MACDONALD
MAY FOREMAN
JASON STRICKLIN

KEITH BIFFLE SHEILA PATTERSON JO LIMES

CONGRATULATIONS TO SONDRA MARTIN
UPON THE BIRTH OF HER GRANDSON
MICHAEL KENNETH MARTIN BORN JANUARY 27, 2013
PROUD PARENTS ARE MIKE & KASEY MARTIN

WE SEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF MAUREEN BISHOP WHO PASSED AWAY JANUARY 25, 2013

Pledged Offering Recap 1/27/12 YTD Budgeted \$9,345 \$37,379 Received \$4,195 \$32,718 Overage/(Shortage) (\$5,150) (\$4,661)



2013 VBS June 16th-20th Ages 4 - 5th grade



THIS WEEK'S SERMON

Sunday, February 3, 2013

Sermon: "A Misunderstanding"

Scripture: Luke 4:21-30

Synopsis: Did you hear the sermon Jesus gave to his home synagogue? Specifics are little sketchy but Luke says that what started out well ended extraordinarily bad. What began with praise of Jesus ended with murderous shouts to kill him. I often say that the opposite of love isn't hate. It's apathy. And if that's true they didn't hate Jesus and they certainly weren't apathetic. Apparently Jesus said something, read Scripture in a certain way, made an inference, made an application that hit deeply on a spiritual nerve. It'd be easy, of course, to say that it was all just a terrible misunderstanding—that Jesus hadn't meant to say what they thought he said. And yet, that's precisely the point about what Luke says that he said: he said it on purpose, with great intention, because in the little sleepy, provincial, quaint confines of Nazareth, Jesus wanted to make clear that he came not just for them, but for all people. There was a misunderstanding. But the burden to understand then, and now, is upon us.

Scripture Link: http://bible.oremus.org/?ql=224608210



Spring Bible Study February 17th & 24th, March 3rd & 10th 6pm Prayers of the Psalmist

The class will meet for four Sunday evenings, 6-7 p.m., in the chapel, beginning Sunday, February 17. The topic, "Prayers of the Psalmist," draws from the work of theologian Walter Brueggemann, who, years ago, suggested that, the various Psalms, all 150 of them, could roughly be divided into three categories: three occasions in life, three seasons, that are common to every spiritual journey.

February 17— Psalms of Orientation

These are the Psalms that give praise to God in times of relative peace—times when life is as it should be, when life is in order.

February 24—Psalms of Disorientation

These are the Psalms that give expression to those times of life when, as one writer has put, our assumptions about the relative fairness and rightness of life have been challenged. Times of trouble, or suffering, or doubt. Here, we pray for God to disclose Godself.

March 3—Psalms of New Orientation

These are the Psalms that give voice to new understanding, a regaining of lost hope, or a strengthening of hope following an occasion of loss. We are changed through seasons of loss. Yet in Psalms of New Orientation, we begin to incorporate life's losses into a new found sense of life and hope.

March 10—Theodicy and Spirituality: Praying the Psalms through Life

Here I suggest that the Psalms are more than beautiful, poetic, sometimes anguished, often gracious words. They are words not simply to be read and contemplated. They are, in fact, words that can and should be prayed as we move through the various seasons of the spiritual journey. They are a language by which we may pray all of life. The Psalms speak to the theodicy question with hope: though loss is an inevitable part of life, we move from the valley to darkness to new places of hope.—Lent 2013, Dan

