SERMON NOTES

7/14/19

Expect the Unexpected: Give

Phil Brookman

"My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working" (John 5:17).

2 Corinthians 9:12-15

You can't	_ the activity of God, but you can
to it.	

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION AT HOME OR IN QGROUP

- 1. What is one of the best gifts you've ever received?
- 2. What are the ingredients that make up a generous person?
- 3. Paul says that generosity often does more than the giver or receiver imagined. What are some byproducts of generosity that you've experienced?
- 4. Which mission effort piqued your interest the most and why?
- 5. What is your biggest takeaway from this missions series?

FAMILY UPDATES

The monthly Prayer List is available at Information Central and on the Greeters' Stations.

Baptisms:

We rejoice with...

Kai Higgs, son of **Fred & Barbara Higgs**, who was baptized Wednesday, July 3.

Will Mattocks, son of **Larry & Susan Mattocks**, who was baptized on Sunday, July 7.

Hospitalized:

Mike Allen is in Baptist, ICU #901.

Gwen Antwine is in Bradford Village Skilled Nursing.

Marynel Chabino has moved to Epworth Villa for rehab.

Loren Gieger is in Baptist, #770, following surgery last week.

T.J. Lauxman is in Baptist ICU following a stroke last week. No visitors, please.

Jackie McBroom is in The Timbers Skilled Nursing.

Bettye Mullins is in Baptist, #852.

Sympathy:

We extend our sympathy to **Larry & Lynda Scott** on the death of their sister-in-law, Sue Scott, Tuesday, July 2, and also the death of Lynda's sister, Shelly Crawford, Wednesday, July 3.

Birth:

Congratulations to **Conner & Leigh Ann Williams** on the birth of their son, **Pierce Lavelle**, Monday, July 8.

Other News:

The Annual MRCC Golf Scramble will be Saturday, August 17, 8 a.m., at The Golf Club of Edmond (4001 Fairfax Drive). Signups will begin next Sunday across from Information Central. For more information, contact **Dustin Andrews** or **Brent Williams**.

Thank You:

"Dear friends at the Memorial Road Church, we just want to thank you. Thank you for showing your generosity by purchasing thirty box fans to distribute to low-income families in Luther. Your continual generosity in donating clothes, food, and money have helped provide for many people. Your volunteers have broughts us much encouragement as you have shared in this ministry in so many ways. Truly, because of you, many see Christ's love in action."

~Chris Hill, Minister of the Luther Church of Christ



TODAY

July 14, 2019



Welcome to Missions Sunday 2019!

We live in a world filled with constant crises, overwhelming obstacles, and personal tragedy. We also serve a God bigger than all of those things. Who often works to spread his story not merely in spite of those challenges, but because of them. To follow and support God's movements in the world means learning to *Expect the Unexpected*. To See, to Act, to Give when we are presented the opportunity. Today we will sing praises, open Scripture, enjoy a meal together, hear stories of God's power, and give financially to do good deeds and share good news all over the world. We're glad you're here!

Here's our schedule for today:

9:00 a.m. - Bible classes for all ages (in their usual locations)
10:00 a.m. - Combined worship

*Missions Sunday Special Contribution

First, to our guests: please know that you should feel no obligation to give financially during worship; we're just thrilled that you're here with us and hope you'll be back at your earliest opportunity.

To our members: as part of our worship time, we will take up a special offering for mission efforts around the world with a goal of giving \$738,500. This will be a separate offering from our regular contribution, so we will pass the trays twice—first for our regular offering, then later for our special Missions Sunday offering. You can also give online to the Missions Sunday contribution by going on the MRCC App or to mrcc.org/give and selecting "Missions."

To see the full list of mission works in the contribution list, pick up a poster on the stage or in the lobby, or use the MRCC App. You can also read more "Expect the Unexpected" stories at *mrcc.org/MissionsSunday* and get prayer cards at the display in the lobby.

Finally, have your Missions Sunday glasses ready in worship today or use the Red Reveal link on the Missions Sunday area of the MRCC App.

11:30 a.m. (immediately following worship) – FREE lunch in the Summit 5:00 p.m. – Evening worship

How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news! ~Romans 10:15



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VBS Recap

My girls ran into VBS tonight, and they found a row of friends before my husband and I even had a chance to sit down. There wasn't room for us, but I watched another mom go grab more friends while the girls (and some little brothers) scooted over and made some room for more friends. At intermission, my girls ran off again. We searched the building until my husband found our youngest, and a friend texted she had my oldest. We made our way back to the auditorium for the second half of the show (which was funny and engaging for all ages), but what I loved the most was the feeling of knowing beyond doubt that, even in this big church, we are seen and we are loved. Everyone is welcomed and looked after; and, as a parent, I'm not alone. Those relationships and safe spots for my children are invaluable. Nights like this remind me why "My soul finds rest in God alone" (Psalm 62:1). ~Katy Roybal



chillin' with the fam vbs 2019 Friday, August 9 | 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Lawson Commons on the OC Campus

Seeing the Unexpected at Capitol Hill

One could argue when you serve others the unexpected always happens. At the Lighthouse Medical Ministries, where arms and hands are doing the work of Jesus, one can always find unexpected things happening from GOD. These recent events come to my mind.

Katelynn Hoover, our summer intern, reminds us how unexpected and wonderful it is to bring all these services and professionals together in one place to serve those with little or without. She even notices when we need to step in and help each other out, it is done, and the flow for caring for others remains flowing. Nancy, a volunteer, talks about how the clinic working with her mother's oncologist has shown them how active GOD is. They have learned GOD is present today. This past weekend the football coach from the new Capitol Hill Junior High came over to see if the clinic could do physicals for his athletes. **David** said "Certainly!" and they began to have a discussion of how the clinic and the church could work together to bring good to all the athletes across the street.

When we serve more than 500 unique patients, it is easy for things to become crowded and space become limited. One of the places in need of more room is the pharmacy, so we can house more drugs to serve the patients. **Dennis Nevius** told the Cornerstone Bible class about our need, and money was given. Then one Friday, a group of men from the Cornerstone class gathered to enclose a porch that would give us more space, taking a dream and making it a reality. The unexpected expansion will give us more room to serve more people and meet their needs. I hope you will stop long enough on your journey to see and know that GOD is present and doing the unexpected. He is active today. ~Beverly North

MINISTRY UPDATES

If you'd like to learn more about all of MRCC's ministries and the various ways you can serve in them, please pick up a copy of "Ministry Opportunities" at Ministry Central in the main lobby.



Alzheimer's Education and Caregiver Support

Margin One in ten people over age 65 live with Alzheimer's dementia. Of course, this affects our church family and our community. The Care & Counseling ministry is launching a series of educational presentations and a support group for caregivers/family of a loved one living with Alzheimer's. Tuesday, July 30, from 6:30-8 p.m., we will offer a presentation called "Understanding Alzheimer's," which is open for anyone to attend. We will meet in A105-106. Register at mrcc.org/care. Our new monthly caregiver support group will begin in mid-August. Details will be available July 30. Contact **Jenny.Jones@mrcc.org** with any questions.



The Capitol Hill School Supply Drive is back! Last year we opened up our school shop to the community, and we met many new families. We are requesting donations of general school supplies, backpacks, and uniforms (red, white, navy tops; khaki and navy bottoms). Please bring donations to MRCC. More information will be coming through your Bible class leaders of other ways you can help out with our Back-to-School Drive! Please contact **Kaili Hutchinson** at 580-504-3868 or *kailib.hutch*@ gmail.com with any questions. Thank you for your support!



Breaking News Bible Hour will meet for the month of July during 10:45 a.m. worship in the preschool multipurpose room, following communion. This Bible hour will be for children who are 3 years old - Kindergarten. Note: Breaking News will NOT meet today, because of the special nature of Missions Sunday.



- Women's Service Week starts tomorrow! Donated items should be brought to the boxes in the fover by tonight or ASAP. Sign up for any unfilled volunteer shifts at mrcc.org/women or contact Robin Waugh at robindeawaugh@hotmail.com or 405-627-7432.
- **Quilting Connection** meets Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (come-and-go) in S1 in the Summit. Details at mrcc.org/women.
- **Bunco Night** is Thursday, July 25, in Fellowship Central. Come at 6:30 with a snack to share or 6:50 just to play Bunco. Sign up at mrcc.org/ women or in the foyer. Cost is \$2 at the door.



- Girls' Bible Study: Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in *The Brew* at OC.
- Sr. High Float Trip: July 16; cost is \$40. TODAY is the last day to

Serve OKC: Release forms are due TODAY.



This icon indicates an event is guest-friendly. Invite someone today.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July

Missions Sunday (class at 9 a.m., worship at 10 a.m., lunch to follow)

Brother's Keeper Group Meetings

World Bible School Day at Johnnie's

Women's Service Week

Quilting Connection Group, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. (come-and-go), S1

Women's Bunco Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m., F.C.

Outreach Day at Johnnie's

Understanding Alzheimer's, 6:30-8 p.m.,

August

Heartbeat for Hope Day at Johnnie's

Threads of Compassion, 2-5 p.m., A112

VBS: Chillin' with the Fam. 6:30-8:30 p.m.. Lawson Commons at OC

Brother's Keeper Group Meetings

World Bible School Day at Johnnie's

Bridal Shower for Keely Merritt, 2-3:30 p.m.,

Men's Prayer Breakfast, 6:45 a.m., S1 NEST for Widows, 7 p.m., A105/106

Quilting Connection Group, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.



A TIME FOR OUR GUESTS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND TAKE THE NEXT STEPS AT MRCC

EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT 9:35 IN THE PARLOR (ROOM A114)

Elders Available:

Barry Perkins and Max Pope

will be available in the Conference Room for consultation following 5 p.m. worship.

Teal Creek Worship

July 14 | 2 p.m.

CIA - Jeff Walker

July 21 | 2 p.m.

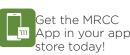
Families & Friends - Ryan Roseke

Tealridge Assisted Living Worship 4 p.m. | bill.luttrell@oc.edu

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MEETING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

Worship 8:15 & 10:45 a.m. Bible Class 9:35 a.m. First Cup 9:35 a.m. a time for guests to learn about MRCC

Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. Capitol Hill 4:00 p.m. QGroups various times visit mrcc.org/QGroups to learn more

WEDNESDAY

Early Bird Bible Class 5:15 p.m. Bible Class | all ages 7:00 p.m.

Baptisms in 2019......81 Sunday, July 7

Bible Class A.M. Worship..... P.M. Worship... .322 QGroups. .125 MRCC Capitol Hill Volunteers.....37 P.M. Total.....

Wednesday, July 10

Bible Class1045

Weekly Budget...... \$106,764 Avg Weekly Offering \$103,350 YTD Budget Deficit\$92,179

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