

Thanks for joining us today!

Whether you're worshipping with us in person or online today, please take a moment to fill out our digital Welcome Book at mrcc.org/WelcomeBook



Please join us for First Cup

Immediately following worship, in the Conference Room
First Cup is a chance for newcomers to learn more about MRCC
Visit mrcc.org/firstcup for more information

MINISTRY UPDATES

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group Update

One thing I love about MRCC is that whenever there is a need identified amongst its members, efforts are made to meet that need! Over a year ago the Care and Counseling Ministry became aware of a great need for a support group for those caring for loved ones with Alzheimer's disease. Facilitators were found, a group was started, and much needed support was provided.

In March 2020, when the whole world changed due to COVID-19, our group quickly adapted to monthly Zoom meetings. Since March, the group has had to deal with extended physical separation from loved ones in nursing facilities, decline in the health of loved ones, death of a mate, etc. It has truly been a challenging time. As the members tend to their own loved ones, they also hope and pray for a cure to end Alzheimer's. That is why we walk on October 17. Money raised will go toward advancing research as well as funding services that are offered by the Alzheimer's Association. These services are free to all who reach out for information or help. This year our team is specifically honoring Doyce Walker, late husband of Linda Walker. Doyce passed in March of this year.

If you would like to donate to our team or join in on the walk, please visit alz.org. Scroll down to "This Year's Walk is Everywhere." Enter "MRCC Memory Keepers" into the search bar to locate our team. You may donate to the team or to an individual on the team. So far, our team has raised \$995 toward our goal of \$2000. We have 12 walkers registered this year and would love to have you join us! We will be walking on the Eagle Trail surrounding the OC campus this Saturday, October 17. We will meet at 9:30am at the east end of the MRCC parking lot. If you would like more information about the caregivers support group or the Walk to End Alzheimer's, please email me at dawn.hemphill@gmail.com.

~Dawn Hemphill

alzheimer's association



FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

On October 13 and 14, MRCC Children's Ministry is hosting a Family Fun Night Putt-Putt event. Please sign up for a date and tee time for your family (follow the link in the Children's Newsletter). Bring your own putter (we have some for those without a putter). There will also be kickball croquet and cornhole. Food trucks will be onsite if you'd like to purchase dinner: Fried Taco Truck will be there on October 13, and Klemm's Food Truck will be there on October 14. We are looking forward to this fun event!



DRIVE THROUGH TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Friday, Oct. 30 | 5-7:30pm

Unfortunately, we won't have the indoor, carnival-style activities this year, but we will have Trunk-or-Treat!

COVID safety is a priority, so please be flexible with these plans to keep everyone healthy.

Walk-Through Option:

Last names A-L attend from 5 - 5:40pm
Last names M-Z attend from 5:50 - 6:30pm

Drive-Through Option:

6:45 - 7:30pm, for anyone not comfortable with the walk-through option.

All treats will be commercially pre-packaged and distributed by the trunk owner. Children will not be allowed to put their hands into those treat buckets. Protective masks are not required (per COVID task committee).



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

JR. HIGH HALLOWEEN HUDDLES
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28
6:30-8PM
COSTUME CONTEST, GAMES, PRIZES, AND MORE!
STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS

JUNIOR HIGH DAY RETREAT
NOVEMBER 14TH | 8AM-8PM
SURVIVE THE DAY
LOCATION: MRCC
COST: \$50
FOR ALL STUDENTS IN 6TH-8TH GRADES
REGISTER ONLINE BY NOVEMBER 8TH
JOIN US FOR A FULL DAY OF FUN AS WE SPLIT UP INTO FAMILIES TO COMPETE FOR THE ULTIMATE PRIZE!

SENIOR HIGH HALLOWEEN RIDE NIGHT
OCTOBER 28
5:30 - 8:00
\$10
Bring your bike, scooter, roller blades or hoverboard and join us for a fun twist on trunk-or-treating that will end with dinner, s'mores and time together!
Drop off/park at Chisholm Elementary and pick up at the Mayes' Home
REGISTER ONLINE BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

SENIOR HIGH fall retreat
NOVEMBER 13-14
Join us at Lake Arcadia for our fall retreat campout! Everyone must bring their own tent, although siblings can share. \$50 fee includes a sweatshirt, three meals, activities and more!
REGISTER ONLINE BY NOVEMBER 8TH



MAGI BOXES

Magi Box instruction sheets are available at Information Central, on the stage, at the auditorium entrances, as well as online at mrcc.org/MagiBox.

Magi Boxes are due back by November 8.

SLEEPING BAG DONATIONS FOR SECOND CHANCES

Second Chances Thrift Store, a ministry run by our own **Delisa Herbert**, is looking for new or used (good condition) sleeping bag donations. The bags will not be sold, just given away to the homeless. The deadline for donations is November 1st. The bags can be dropped off at Second Chances (2605 N. Macarthur, OKC) or in the MRCC Prison Ministry office.



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SERMON INFO

Today Phil continues the *City on a Hill* series by taking a deep dive into Romans 14-15. In these chapters, Paul deals with two groups of people within the Roman church which have significant disagreement about vital issues in their day. Paul's counsel on how they were to deal with their tension is rather unusual. Rather than siding with one party, Paul urges them to focus on the issues which bring them together instead of those which drive them apart. Phil will talk about how we might practice these principles in our currently divided society.

CITY ON A HILL

Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- Would you rather be friends with someone who shares your faith but not your politics, or someone who shares your politics but not your faith?
- What were some of your takeaways as to the background of the church at Rome?
- Phil talked about four divisive issues in the New Testament world: Election v. Inclusion, Anti-Empire v. Pro-Empire, Rich v. Poor, and Torah Obedience v. Torah Liberation. Briefly remind each other what these mean, and then share which you think caused the most division and why?
- How do you think deported Jews would have felt when they came back to church in Rome after being absent five years?
- In Romans 14, Paul acknowledged that both Rufus and Hermes (weak and the strong) carried out their beliefs "to the Lord." How might someone you disagree with view their own actions and beliefs as "to the Lord"?
- What are ways you see people today deepening the wedge or widening the bridge when it comes to issues of disagreement?
- What is the application today of "Accept one another out of reference for Christ." (15:7). How does Paul's admonition here differ from blind acceptance of sinful behavior?
- Read Romans 14:1-4. What are the specific instructions Paul gives to those in disagreement? Which ones are hard to follow?
- Read Romans 14:22. When do you think Christians should keep quiet? When should they speak out?

FAMILY UPDATES

10.11.20

Hospitalized

Jay Jones is in Texoma Medical Center in Denison, Texas, with COVID.

Jay Jones's mother, Dorothy Jones, is still recovering from COVID and has been moved to a rehab facility in Texas.

Judy Warnick is in Bradford Village for rehab from hip surgery.

Prayer Requests

Austin Estes underwent chemo last week.

Jon Hannah is undergoing some heart tests and procedures.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family of **Betty Durrin** (former member), who passed away Thursday, Oct. 8. Arrangements are pending.

New Baby

Congratulations to **Chase & Brianna Hendley** on the birth of their daughter, **Norah Jane**, Monday, Oct. 5.

Showers

Display Bridal Shower for **Andrea Beekman** is this Saturday, Oct. 17, 6-8 p.m., in the home of **Debbie Thomas** (address available on the Online Community). Please bring your gift unwrapped with gift tag attached. She is registered at Dillard's, Williams Sonoma, and Target. If you would like your gift picked up, please call Debbie at 615-3783. Please plan to wear a mask to the shower.

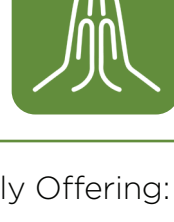
Drive-By Wedding Shower for **Leah (Sikes) Fryslie**, daughter of **Dan & Jeannie Sikes**, will be next Sunday, Oct. 18, 2-3:30 p.m., under the portico outside of Fellowship Central. **Leah & Micah** were married in August. They are registered at Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, and Amazon.

Co-Ed Bridal Shower for Hannah Durham, fiancée of **Nathaniel Garner** (son of **Jason & Heidi Garner**), will be Saturday, Oct. 24, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at **Jeff & Misty Floyd's** (address available on the Online Community). They are registered at Target & Amazon. This will be an outdoor shower, so feel free to stay awhile, or just drop off your gift.

Ways to give



mrcc.org
text amount to:
884.311.2333



Prayer Requests

We would love to pray for you. Submit your prayer requests at mrcc.org/prayer, or on the MRCC App.

Weekly Budget: \$108,697 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$97,371 | YTD Budget Deficit: \$453,035

