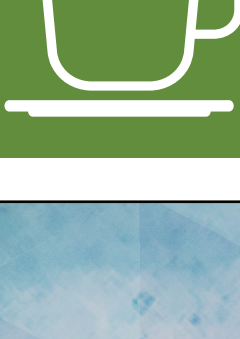


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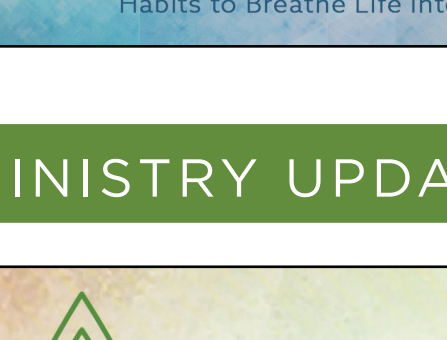
Whether you're worshipping with us in person or online today, please take a moment to fill out our digital Welcome Book at mrcc.org/WelcomeBook



Please join us for First Cup

First Cup is a chance for newcomers to learn more about MRCC. First Cup takes place immediately following worship, in the Conference Room.

Visit mrcc.org/firstcup for more information.



Habits to Breathe Life Into a Hibernating Spirit

Visit mrcc.org/habits or the MRCC App to view an archive of the weekly Refresh challenges and access helpful resources and instructions to introduce one or more of these new habits into your routine.

MINISTRY UPDATES



The following adult classes are meeting onsite today:

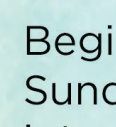
Launch: Fellowship Central at 10:45

CIA: A113 at 8:15

Thrive: A115-116 at 10:45

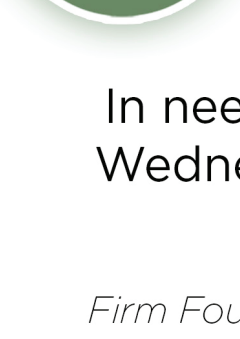
New Beginnings: A117-118 at 8:15

Step by Step: A119 at 8:15



Children ages 3 through Journey Land with parents in the **FRIENDS & FAMILIES** and **GENERATIONS** classes may **KIDS** attend in-person Bible class today.

Beginning February 7, Children's Ministry will offer a weekly Sunday morning Bible class following worship. If your family is interested in coming weekly, you must reserve a 6-week spot for your child or children. Registration is simple—just click on this image and follow the live link.



Firm Foundations

In need of tutors willing to work with 1-2 children on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. **OR** 12:30-2:30 p.m. No teaching experience is necessary.

Firm Foundations has two certified teachers onsite providing in-person classroom instruction for half the day.

Please visit mrcc.org/firmfoundations to volunteer, or contact **Diana Perkins** with questions (bperk70@aol.com).

Family Blessing
2021

During worship Sunday, February 14, we will have a Family Blessing for children born or adopted into the Memorial Road family during 2020. If you had a baby or adopted in 2020, you should have received an email from **Delise Williams** requesting information for this special day. If you did not receive that email, please contact Delise.Williams@mrcc.org as soon as possible.

Loved to the Moon and Back

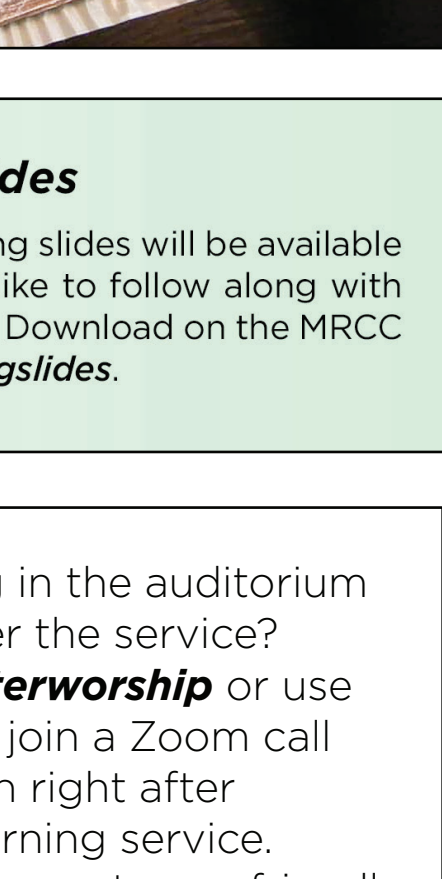


LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

The Little Free Library is sponsored by MRCC Kids and it is located in the southeast corner of the MRCC parking lot and on the edge of the OC trail. We have filled the library with children's books about Bible stories. There are also brochures about MRCC Kids. We are hoping these books will bless families in our church, but more importantly serve as an outreach to families from our community and connect them with our church. If you would like to donate children's books about Bible stories, they may left in a box located at Door #4 (by the main office). We will add a label to the books and include them in our Little Free Library.

DIY FARMHOUSE SIGNS CLASS

Join **Afton Bennett** on Zoom on Monday, February 1, 7:30-8:15 p.m. for a virtual class to create your own hand-lettered "farmhouse" style sign. The class is limited to 30 people and costs \$15 for supplies, with payment due at registration. Register at mrcc.org/women by January 26. Coordinated by the Women's Fellowship Committee.



women's ministry



mrcc.org/songslides

Each week, a PDF of song slides will be available for anyone who would like to follow along with worship on their device. Download on the MRCC App or at mrcc.org/songslides.

After-Worship Virtual Visit

Do you miss visiting in the auditorium or hallways after the service? Go to mrcc.org/afterworship or use the MRCC App to join a Zoom call that will begin right after that Sunday morning service. No program, just a chance to see friendly faces and talk for a few minutes!

Stay connected & informed

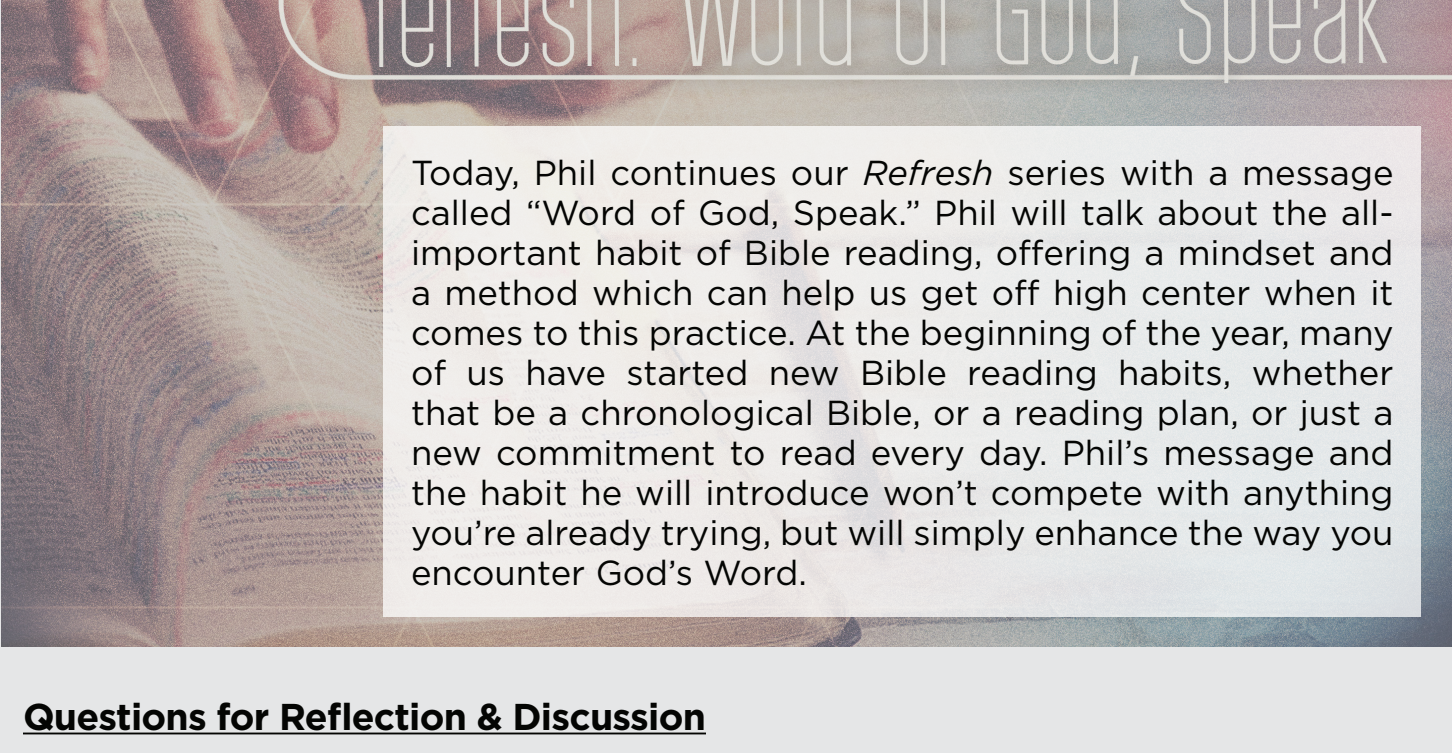


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SERMON INFO



Refresh: Word of God, Speak

Today, Phil continues our *Refresh* series with a message called "Word of God, Speak." Phil will talk about the all-important habit of Bible reading, offering a mindset and a method which can help us get off high center when it comes to this practice. At the beginning of the year, many of us have started new Bible reading habits, whether that be a chronological Bible, or a reading plan, or just a new commitment to read every day. Phil's message and the habit he will introduce won't compete with anything you're already trying, but will simply enhance the way you encounter God's Word.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- What was your favorite of the movies you saw in 2020?
- What are some of the effects of distraction that you see in our society? What about in yourself?
- Psalm 119:97 says "Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long." Who is someone you know that most embodies this verse? How do you think this person got to that point in their spiritual life?
- How has the availability of scripture shaped the world in a positive way? What about a negative way?
- If you were to treat scripture more reverently, what might that look like on a practical level?
- Phil talked about two strategies to prepare your mind for reading the Bible: Emptying the mind and praying the Samuel prayer. What effect do you think these would have on your Bible reading?
- What passage of scripture has been meaningful to you lately?
- Read 1 Thessalonians 2:13. What would you guess Paul noticed in the Thessalonians which prompted his description "you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God."

FAMILY UPDATES

01.17.21

Hospitalized

- Margaret Heitmann** is in Bellevue Health & Rehab.
- Mary Knowles** is in Capitol Hill Skilled Nursing with Covid.
- Billie Price** is in Epworth Villa for rehab.
- Larry Price** is in Deaconess with Covid.
- Kegan Entwistle, son-in-law of **Penny O'Neal**, is in Mercy ICU with complications from cancer.
- Keith Waters** is in Mercy with Covid.

Our Sympathy is extended to...

The **Andy Lashley** family on the death of **Summer's** mother, Debbie Sehon, Sunday, Jan. 10. Due to Covid, they had a memorial service just for family.

Roy & Debbie Cowan on the death of her mother, **Charlotte Palmer**, Wednesday, Jan. 13. She was also a sister of **Sue Green**, an aunt of **Kim Spencer & Greg Green**, and a great-aunt of **Terra Myers & Kiley Hendley**.

The family of **Gary Fields**, who passed away unexpectedly Thursday, Jan. 14.

New Babies

Congratulations to...

- Chase & Makenna Estes** on the birth of their son, **Charley Paul**, Saturday, Dec. 11. Grandparents are **Mike & Debbi Morton**.
- Alex & Kendra Orr** on the birth of their daughter, **Felicity Mae**, Friday, Jan. 8.
- Dave & Rachel Seat** on the birth of their son, **Smith Miller**, Monday, Jan. 11. Grandparents are **David & Mary Seat**.

Showers

Baby Boy Shower for **Candyce Hobbes** is this afternoon from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Central Foyer. You may either drive by or come in to visit (masks are required in the building). She is registered at Amazon and Target.

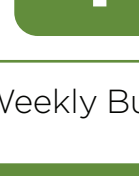
Bridal Shower for **Amanda Rice**, daughter of **Doug & Kim Rice** and fiancée of Ben Jewett, will be next Sunday, Jan. 24, 2-3:30 p.m., in the Fellowship Central Foyer. She is registered at Amazon and Bed Bath & Beyond.

Thank You

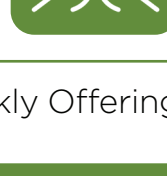
Dear Church Family: Thank you for all the prayers, messages, and cards sent for my mom's passing. Your encouragement has been a real blessing to me and our family. **-Carl Trent**

Many heartfelt thanks for the flood of notes, calls, texts, food, and encouragement following the loss of my mother. Your support in a difficult time means the world. **-Summer Lashley**

Ways to give



mrcc.org
[mrcc app](http://mrcc.org/app)
text amount to:
884.311.2333



Prayer Requests

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

Weekly Budget: \$102,065 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$98,008 | YTD Budget Deficit: \$8104