

# WELCOME



If you are a first time visitor please fill out one of our **Information Cards** available at the Information Center or in the Sanctuary. We want to thank you for joining us today as we celebrate God's grace and goodness together. Please be sure to introduce yourself to us and thanks again for coming.

## TODAY:

**This morning we will continue with answering the question "What Attracts the evident presence of the Holy Spirit into our midst?"** If we can grieve the Holy Spirit we can also attract Him. So far we have established that attracting the Holy Spirit's glory requires a **genuine hunger** for His presence and we also must never forget that being called **the "Bride of Christ"** signifies intimacy, devotion, loyalty, and love. Furthermore a **"Heart of Gratitude"** may be the most attractive quality to the Holy Spirit. Today we examine a **"Fellowship of Love"**

**Alpha for Youth, video series, today, Sunday, March 15, at 10:50 AM, in the foyer room. (See Pastor Marco)**

**Wed. Worship, Bible Study, & Prayer – March 18, at 7:00 PM. We are examining the truths in the book of James.** According to James the most fundamental expression of faith is joy. Our Christian joy expands as we endeavor to walk in righteousness, integrity, and spiritual wisdom. This Wed. we are studying James 5: 7-12 (Patience).

**ROCC Youth Gathering—Friday, March 20, @ 7:00 PM, Games, Snacks, Worship, Teaching "Who Is The Holy Spirit?"**



## JUST FOR KIDS

Our children join us for worship in the main Sanctuary until they are called to the altar area for prayer. They will then attend Sunday School and will be supervised by our capable workers. Their special Bible lesson will conclude at the same time as the adult service.

**On the first Sunday of each month (Communion Sunday) our children will stay with their parents in the main sanctuary for the entire service. Nursery will function as usual and be available every Sunday.**

Nursery is supervised and available when the children are dismissed from the sanctuary.

## MANNA



I am addressing the importance of relational love in the Body of Christ this morning, as part of our present sermon series **"Attracting the Holy Spirit"**. The significance of genuine love being evident among believers is a dominant theme in New Testament Scripture. The Holy Spirit works at keeping the eminence of love at the forefront of church-life. The historical account of the European, Moravian Church is an example of the Spirit's work in this regard. The Moravian's were the earliest Protestant Church, tracing back to the reforming work of John Hus, who was martyred for his faith in the early fifteenth century. As the newly formed group separated from the overpowering views of the Roman Religion they had to work out a new practice of faith and spiritual life, in 1722. Inevitably this led to some disagreements and a few factions emerged. Many were praying to God for unity and love to prevail. On August 13, 1727, in Herrnhut, it is reported that the Holy Spirit answered prayer and a powerful transformation took place in the community of believers. History recorded that they **"learned to love each other"** despite their differences. Along with an overwhelming sense of love, the renewal of the Holy Spirit was also evidenced with prophecies, visions, healings, and glossolalia. This early Protestant Church with Pentecost experience went on to become one of the great Christian missionary movements. God used them to reach Europe, North America (Pennsylvania), Africa (Tanzania), West Indies (St. Thomas), South America, the Far East, and the Artic. **God blesses love and unity among the Body.**

## F.Y.I.



- Good Friday Worship Service: April 3, 10:00 AM (Communion)**
- Outside WORK-BEE, Sat. April 25, 8:00 AM, (weather permitting)**
- Pot Blessing Lunch, Sunday, April 26, after the morning worship service**
- Mother's Day, Ladies' Tea, Sat. May 2, 2:00 PM @ ROCC**
- Men's Ministry Breakfast & Speaker, June/Date TBA soon**
- Summer Explosion Day Camp (2015) will begin again this year, starting June 29-Aug. 21.** If you are a **student** and interested in working at the camp this summer, please see Patricia. **Camper registration will begin in the early spring.**
- We are prayerfully hoping to replace the carpet and chairs in the church, if you can begin to give extra finances to help, it would be greatly appreciated!**