

May 03, 2015

# 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.

**As we come to the Communion Table this morning we come with hearts of thanksgiving and worship.**

**This morning we are continuing with our present sermon series from 1 Peter. The Abundant Life is an ample life, one marked with devotion to God, peace, joy, and contentment. "And this was the word that was preached to you." (1 Peter 1: 25)**

**Wed. Bible Study, Worship, & Prayer, May 6, 7:00 PM** Every Wed. we will be reading and discussing one of the Psalms after worship and before prayer. The Psalms have been a source of strength and encouragement to believers for centuries.

**ROCC Youth Gathering—Friday, May 8, @ 7:00 PM, Games, Snacks, & Worship.**

**\*If you attend ROCC and would like to know more about membership, join us on May 31, after Sunday morning worship for Pizza. See Patricia for a Membership Information Booklet. A sign-up list for the meeting will be available on Sunday, May, 17.\***

## 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.

We live in a very secular culture where there tends to be an over-emphasis on the physical body. Please don't take me the wrong way; I believe that it is important to take care of our bodies but the media bombards our minds with so many body-care advertisements that the care of the soul is often eclipsed. This is a very real shift in focus from historical cultures where the inner- man; the soul was the primary focus. It must never be forgotten that **we don't have a soul, we have a body; we are living, never dying souls.** The body perishes at death but the soul exists forever. ***"In the paths of the wicked lie thorns and snares, but he who guards his soul stays far from them."*** (Proverbs 22:5) We guard our souls when we receive Christ as Savior. We guard our souls when we endeavor to make Him Lord of our lives. We guard our souls as we pursue the attributes of the Spirit. We guard our souls as we put away envy, bitterness, malice, and embrace forgiveness. The care of the body concerns this life but the care of the soul pertains to this life and the life to come.

### -----CHAIRS-----

As you know we are prayerfully hoping to replace the very tired carpet and chairs at the ROCC; our gathering place for worship. We have received estimates on the chairs and are in the process of receiving quotes on the carpet as well. The chairs are estimated at \$8,250.00. That breaks down to \$55.00 per chair. I am asking you to consider giving beyond your regular weekly tithe and offering towards this endeavor. We are hoping to gather sufficient funds to make the purchase in the fall of this year. There will be pledge cards available soon so you can indicate as to what you would like to contribute towards this effort. Some may be able to purchase one chair (\$55); others might be able to purchase 25 chairs (\$1,375). If we all give what we believe God is asking us to provide our goal is reachable.

## F.Y.I.

**-Sunday May 31, Membership Class, after the morning service.**

**-Men's Ministry Breakfast, Sat. June 13, 8:00-10:00 AM (\$5.00 each)**

**-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. **Hiring & Camper registration has begun.**