



Thanksgiving Meal

November 19th
Following Worship

Please bring a side dish and a dessert to share. Sign up sheets are located in the sanctuary.

Our goal is to have plenty of food to be able to bring plates to our shut-ins.

DNOW Beach Weekend

November 9-12

The youth are going on their annual Discipleship Now beach trip in November. Please pray for this event and for the youth attending!



Household Hazardous Waste Collection

November 18 9AM-2PM

Shiloh Valley Elementary School (5210 Rogers Road, Monroe) Union County residents are invited to dispose of hazardous household materials at this free event. Bring unwanted paints (up to 5 gallons), pesticides, herbicides, household cleaners, oil, gasoline, and propane or helium tanks (limit 3 tanks per household; grill size only). All materials must be in their original labeled containers. They'll also have a document shredding service available on-site; limit of five boxes per person.

Bring expired or unneeded medications (over-the-counter, prescription, or unknown) to dispose of them safely through Operation Medicine Drop, a service of the Union County Sheriff's Office.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

FREE for County Residents

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2023 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

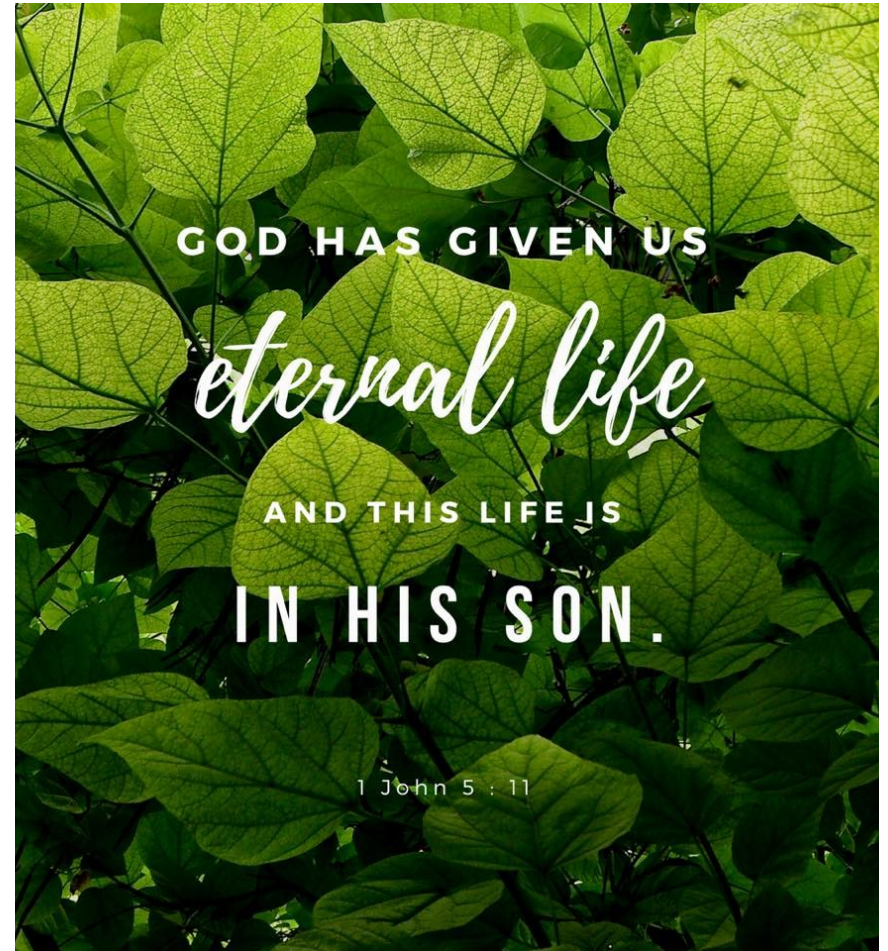
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Sunday, November 5 2023

Is Jesus the Only Way to God?

1 John 5:1-13

The Point: Because Jesus is the Son of God, He is the only one who can bring us to God.

The Bible Meets Life: We can all be narrow-minded about something. It's funny to hear somebody insist that staying on Highway 231 will get you there faster when you're convinced that taking several side roads actually saves time. A person can be so focused—so narrow-minded—that they can't see the advantage of another route.

Christians are often accused of being narrow-minded. The accusation is that Christians are not tolerant of other people's beliefs. Christians are fairly straightforward about their belief that Jesus Christ is the only way to God, but there is no such thing as not being narrow-minded. Every faith in existence is narrow-minded in that it excludes beliefs that are not in sync with its own teachings.

· Atheists are narrow-minded toward those who believe in God.

· Animists are narrow-minded toward those who only believe in one God.

Everyone is narrow-minded. The question is not whether or not we are narrow-minded, but whether or not our narrow belief represents the truth. The apostle John points us to the right narrow-mindedness.

Live It Out: Trust. Trust God for the miracle of a changed life. If you want to know how to become a follower of Christ, talk with your group leader. **Identify.** Identify exclusive beliefs by doing a study of the beliefs of Naturalism, Animism, Pantheism, and Non-Christian Theism. As you study, make a chart that identifies specifically at what points their beliefs are exclusive. **Defend.** If you know someone who complains about the exclusive nature of Christianity, discover what faith system they believe. Engage the person in a discussion about the exclusivity of his or her beliefs, then compare that with the exclusive claims of Christianity.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

Confident in the Face of Hard Questions

Sunday, November 12 Won't All People Ultimately Go to Heaven?
(Matthew 7:13-23)

Sunday, November 19 Is Hell Real?
(2 Thessalonians 1:3-12)



Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

Wednesday

6:30 PM Online Worship

6:30 PM Youth

7:45 PM Choir Rehearsal *Nov. 15*

Thursday

Jail Ministry

Choir Rehearsal

The next choir rehearsal will be Wednesday, November 15th at 7:45 PM.



Service Attendance

Sunday, October 29

Indoor: 46

Online: 140



Wednesday, November 1

Online: 57

Youth: 14

Monthly Budget & Offerings



Budget Needs:

\$17,787.33

October Offering

To Date:

\$14,224.00

Prayer Requests

Candy Anderson

Nancy Chapman

Gary Clontz

Marlene Crider

Peggy Dean

Sadie Griffin's Family

Hedgepeth Family

Christine Hinson

Lillian Lewis

Rich Majewski's Family

Evan Manly

Richie Raines

Global Missions

Local Ministries

National Missions (NAMB)

Area Schools/Admin

The Sick & Elderly

Backpacks of Hope Students

Operation Christmas

Child Shoeboxes

National Collection Week:

November 13-20

Empty OCC boxes are available on the altar steps.

Bring your filled shoeboxes back by Sunday, November 19th.

