Sermon Notes

Sacred 4-Letter Words: SELF

Obsession with self in these matters is a dead end; attention to God leads us out into the open, into a spacious, free life. Focusing on the self is the opposite of focusing on God. Anyone completely absorbed in self ignores God, ends up thinking more about self than God. That person ignores who God is and what he is doing. And God isn't pleased at being ignored. Romans 8:5-8 MSG

And [Jesus] said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." Luke 9:23 ESV

1) DENIAL of Self: "Let him deny himself..."

"To deny oneself is to turn away from the idolatry of self-centeredness." C.E.B. Cranfield

2) DEATH of Self: "Take up his cross daily"

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20 ESV

I die every day!

1 Corinthians 15:31 CEV

"When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die." Dietrich Bonhoeffer in The Cost of Discipleship

3) DEVOTION of Self: "Follow me"

[The disciples] left everything and followed Jesus, becoming His disciples, believing and trusting in Him and following His example. Luke 5:11 AMP

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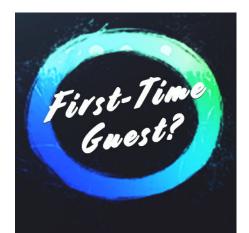
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Please help us stock the closet!

Gift cards (please indicate amount) Suggestions: Walmart, Target, Amazon, Local Restaurants

· Lice Kits

- · Backpacks
- Diaper Bags
- Packs of underwear preschool to young adult sizes
- Packs of boxer briefs children, youth, and young adult sizes
- Packs of boxers young adult sizes
- · Socks infant to young adult sizes
- Pull-ups, Diapers and Wipes

There will be collection bins in the church lobby, Jan. 24-31, at 3203 Minnesota Avenue, Panama City, FL

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Children's themed/colorful

Infant and toddler sleepers

All items need to be NEW, in the

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electric toothbrushes

· Swaddling blankets

· Receiving blankets

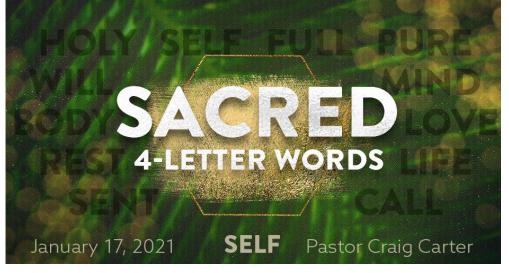
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Welcome to Lynn Haven United Methodist! We're glad you're here!

Read Exodus with us: Our latest Bible Reading Plan has begun but it is not too late to join! Start anytime by reading and studying the Book of Exodus with us over the next few months. Lynn Haven UMC Bible Reading plans include a checklist with readings each week to be done at your own pace plus optional further study resources delivered by email. You can also join our Bible Reading Group on Facebook to discuss the readings with others. Visit **mylhumc.net/grow** for details.

Wednesday Night Pastors' Bible Study - Understanding the Ten Commandments: The Ten Commandments are found near the middle of the Book of Exodus (the focus of our current Bible Reading Plan). During our Wednesday night Pastors' Bible study we are taking a detailed look at them in order to better understand their purpose and the God who gave them. You are invited to join us in person on Wednesdays at 6:15 pm in our Community Room or watch online. Each week is a stand-alone teaching so don't worry if you cannot join every week. For links to watch and additional information, visit <u>mylhumc.net/grow</u>.

Join the Lynn Haven UMC Tech Team: If you work well "behind-the-scenes" and enjoy learning new technology, we have an opportunity for you on Sunday mornings in our Sound Booth! Servants in this ministry help with lights, sound, cameras, lyrics and more. If you are interested in learning more about joining the team, please email Worship Minister Brad Burke at Brad@mylhumc.net.

<u>Church Office Closed Jan. 18</u>: Our office will be closed Monday, Jan. 18 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We will re-open Tuesday, Jan. 19 with regular office hours: 8 am to 3 pm.