

Today's Worship
January 10, 2021

Pre-Service music
Opening Welcome
 "10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"
Greeting & Announcements
Prayer of Confession & Absolution
Apostles' Creed
Offertory
Children's Message – Sandy Witte
Scripture Readings
 Isaiah 55:8-9; Matthew 16:18-19
 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
Message – Pastor Ed Krueger
 "Contrasting the Values of God and Politics"
Prayers & The Lord's Prayer
Benediction
 "Christ the Eternal Lord"

Prayer List

Helene Kipp – recovery (eye surgery)
Carmen Chow – cancer treatments
Claudine Steinhauer – recovery (broken hip)
Marylin Bowery – recovery (lung transplant)
 Melanie Lawrence – recovery
 (daughter of Mike & Marylin Bowery)
 Homebound: BJ Cline, Linnie Clark,
Liz Johnston, Irene Stinson, Barbara White

*Special prayers this week for
Bob Blair and family,
wife Bobbie, of 62 years
passed away on Monday,
January 4th*



Sunday Bible Class

Join us on Zoom at 10:30 am to listen in on our Bible study for today, with Pastor Ed. We continue our study on the Book of Hebrews.



Evening devotional Bible studies

Monday-Thursday at 6:30 pm on Zoom.
Check website for link.

Now What?

Contrasting the Values of God and Politics

The goal of this message is for us to be able to say, "we have conducted ourselves in the world...with holiness and sincerity from God. And we've been guided by God's grace, not by the human wisdom of this world." 2 Corinthians 1:12

The Contrast between God and Politics

1. For the world, politics is the driving force in everything

But Jesus declares: "My Church matters more than anything else"

"God has put everything under the authority of Christ, and he gave Christ this authority for the benefit of His Church!" Ephesians 1:22

"I will build my church, and the gates of hell will not overcome it!" Matt. 16:18b

2. Politicians tell you: "We'll solve all your problems & save the world."

But Jesus declares: "Only I can save you. Only I can solve your worst problems."

"Do not put your trust in princes, who are mortal men. They cannot save you."

"Anyone who turns away from trusting me to put their trust in a human being will be cursed." Jeremiah 17:5

3. Politics are all about votes that come from money, division, and fear.

But Jesus declares: In my Church, unity gets priority over politics.

"Make every effort to preserve the unity (in the church) which the Spirit gives us. We are all one Body, we have the same Spirit, and we have all been called to the same glorious future." Ephesians 4:3-4

"Warn a divisive person once, and then warn him a second time. After that, have nothing to do with him." Titus 3:10

4. Politics: Results matter more than character in a leader.

But Jesus declares: The character of a leader matters most.

"A wise person's heart will lead in the right way. But the heart of a fool will always lead in the wrong way." Ecclesiastes 10:2