

Crosspointe



CONNECTION

Glorifying God by multiplying
faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

Bringing People in
Building People up
Sending People out

June 2017

Crosspointe Baptist Church
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Diminishing the Good News,

Hi Friends,

I recently read about a movement called “Progressive Christianity.” The five indicators of this “new” approach to Christianity are:

1. A lowered view of the Bible – “it is a human book”
2. Feelings valued over facts – “I feel a loving God would not allow people to go to Hell.”
3. Essential doctrines are reinterpreted – “the resurrection is a metaphor for us rising in victory.”
4. Historic terms are redefined – “inspiration and inerrancy are redefined to be more palatable.”
5. The gospel is replaced with social justice – “the problem we need to address is oppression not sin and the solution is social action not repentance.”

The truth is there is nothing new with this movement. There have always been attempts to reinterpret and redefine the major teachings of The Bible that don’t “sit well” with some people. This liberal approach turns God’s Word into a nice collection of religious writings, instead of the authoritative truth delivered by God Himself.

As the culture shifts, people want to have the scriptures shift too. People want to dismiss the miraculous (virgin birth, resurrection) etc. and want to diminish the moral teachings of topics such as abortion, homosexuality, and sexual purity in general. The ending result is that we have made God in our own image. Instead of being our Lord, He becomes our servant. Instead of absolute truth we have a messy moral relativism where right and wrong is defined by popular opinion and not the Word of God.

I personally fear this “progressive approach” has infiltrated most churches and the danger of the proverbial “slippery slope” is real. When people are uncomfortable with the authority of scripture, think teaching and preaching the truth of God’s Word is not that important, and that the church should focus less on sin and more on social issues, I realize they have exchanged God’s truths for their own opinions and in essence have become gods in their own minds. The church ends up being influenced by those who have embraced “cultural Christianity” and rejected the good news which is the gospel.

At CrossPointe we believe in the essential doctrines of the faith. We refuse to compromise God’s never-changing truths for an ever-changing culture. The faithful preaching, teaching, and counseling from the scriptures are the bread and butter of our church. I am grateful for that and would have it no other way!

In His Grip,
Pastor Jim

LEADER:	DAY & LOCATION:	TIME:	EMAIL/COMMENTS:
Robert Story	Sunday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	9:15 AM	rjstory1@comcast.net <i>Adults</i>
James Smith	Sunday, Room 305	10:50 AM	jpresmith@msn.com <i>Senior Adults</i>
Austin Harpster	Sunday, Room 302 <i>Weekly</i>	10:50 AM	ja_harpster@hotmail.com <i>ages 20-59</i>
Steve Hensley	Sunday, Hensleys’ <i>Weekly</i>	6:00 PM	steve@hensleyinc.com “Apologetics”
Ernie Kaps	Sunday, Wimmers’ <i>Bi-Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	ernie-vickki@comcast.net “Sermon notes study”
Donna Spencer	Tuesday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	10:30 AM	Senior Adult Class
Danny & Laurie Kuykendall	Tuesdays, Kuykendalls’ <i>1st & 3rd Weeks</i>	6:00 PM	youthguy@nwbaptist.org
Grant Welch	Tuesday, Welches’ <i>1st & 3rd Weeks</i>	7:00 PM	grantwelch312@gmail.com College & Young Professionals
Jay DeHart	Wednesday, Camps’ <i>2nd & 4th Weeks</i>	6:30 PM	sequah@yahoo.com
Paul Flint	Wednesday, Room 302 <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	paul910@gmail.com, Mens “The Book of James,”
Sonya Fitzpatrick	Wednesday, Room 305 <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	sonya@nwbaptist.org, Ladies “Finding I AM”
Doug Metcalfe-White	Wednesday, Music Room <i>Weekly</i>	7:00 PM	metcalfewhite@gmail.com “Strange Teachings”
Mark Bradley	Thursday, Bradleys’ <i>2nd & 4th Weeks</i>	7:00 PM	markb@nwbaptist.org “The study of Philippians”
Kim Tabor	Friday, Tabors’	1:30 PM	kim_miketabor@msn.com Mom’s (Children are welcome)
Matt Kauffman	Saturday, Berglins’ <i>Weekly</i>	6:00 PM	mckauffman@msn.com Families with kids/Ridgefield

The Storehouse Report April 2017

the Senior Adult Ministry

General April Receipts: \$42,747.75

General Year to Date Receipts: \$138,884.94

Monthly Budget Requirement: \$34,318.25

Yearly Budget Requirement \$411,819.00

April Missions Receipts & Allocations \$7,329.26

Year-To-Date Net Income/(Loss): 292.86

April 30, 2017 General Fund Balance \$37,715.87

'Money is so intimately related to the possessor, that we cannot give money without giving ourselves.'" - Unknown

**And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward . . .
—Luke 12:42**

By Robin Smith, Treasurer

The Bible is full of "one another" statements. We are told in John 13:34 to love one another. In other scripture we are told to greet one another, as well as receive, do not hate, serve, strengthen, do not envy, forgive, comfort, exhort, edify one another, as well as many others. We believers in the Lord Jesus Christ are not isolated human beings, but part of a close-knit fellowship. In fact, we "belong to one another" as members of the body of Christ, yet each person has his separate and distinct function. I get the privilege of seeing the senior adults exhibit these "one another's" as well as being a close-knit group every week. What have the seniors taught me that I can share so we can all do these "one another's" as well?

First, start practically. Help someone with yardwork, or moving something heavy, or fixing something they have that is broken. People have many needs, but sometimes say that they are "fine". Don't force it but let them know you want to help.

Second, look for opportunities to go further, maybe lifting a burden or sharing a heartache. Letting them know you will listen, encourage, and stand with them. They must know they are appreciated just for who they are, and always keep a confidence.

Third, make sure that you are in close relationship with Jesus every day. It is only through Him that we can exhibit any of these things at all. Without Him we would be selfish and only looking out for "the one", not "one another".

James Smith
Senior Adult Pastor
360-567-7956

God is always at work. It's been an amazing past few months, while we have witnessed the enemy's attack in a few ways, He is ever faithful. It makes us all the more excited because we know He is doing great things here in Central England. The building that has been "gifted" to us for a few years, to teammates now has a new roof, and the left-over funds are now being allocated to other refurbishment of the building. We are currently in progress on signing the lease as it needs to be done in a particular way, so colleagues of ours are helping us walk through this process, pray that an easy solution and edifying way is found to move forward in this partnership. We are hopeful that we won't need to set up a new charity here in the UK.

Continue to pray for Miriam and her family, she is the one who sent me the message link to the Jesus film. Pray that her whole household comes to salvation.

Continue to pray for unity among all the Church here.

Blessings to you all,

Christie

Serving the NAME in Central England

Vacation Bible School Helpers Needed:

July 10th - 14th, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Please prayerfully consider where you might serve in our own Crosspointe Galactic Galaxy. We still need teachers and helpers to help our children discover the wonders of the God who is over the moon in love with each of them! Sign up to help on your Connection Card or contact Robin Smith (jpresmith@msn.com), Leona Lack (sfsgm@netzero.com), or Nicolle Gatson (nicollini11@hotmail.com)

Starting Pointe Class

Saturday, June 17th, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Are you new to Crosspointe? If so, this is the perfect class for you. You will learn more about the mission, values, vision, and strategy for the church. You will meet some new people, be able to ask questions, and have the opportunity to join the church if you would like. You can sign up on the back of your Connection Card or email Pastor Jim at genesis5409@msn.com if you are interested in attending.

Youth Group Centrifuge Summer Camp

From July 15th through 20th, our 7-12 grade students are going to Alders Gate Camp in Turner, OR for our summer camp! Students must have finished 6th grade in the 2016-2017 school year to attend. Cost is \$320 per camper but includes EVERYTHING for the entire week! A \$50 (non-refundable) deposit is due by June 30th to hold your students spot. This will be Grants "last hoorah" with the Student Ministry as Youth Pastor so make sure your students get the chance to welcome Zack and send Grant out at the most fun youth event of the year: Summer Camp!!

Morning Prayer Gathering

Wednesday, June 7th, 6:00 - 6:30 a.m.

We meet the first Wednesday of the month. Come and join us as we pray for our church, community, nation, and world. Everyone is welcome.

Attention: Kidspointe Help Needed!

Hello, Crosspointe! We are currently in need of substitute teachers to fill our Kidspointe Worship and Children's Sunday School classes for July and August. Our amazing established teachers are getting a needed break, and we need some more awesome people to help during that time. If you would like to help teach our kiddos and grow in your own faith in the process, please contact Nicolle at nicollini11@hotmail.com or 509-993-5754. Thank you!

Church Plant Mission: June 10-11

As we work toward launching services for Crosspointe West this coming September, the next step is to announce our church and gather information from the Rose Village neighborhood (where services will be held). To help our church succeed in launching this service, we need your help to spread the word by hanging "Reverse Door-Hangers" at Washington Elementary School on June 10th at 4:00 PM and collecting them after church on Sunday, June 11th at 2 PM. Each day, it should take, no longer than one hour if there are 20 people helping! Please email Grant at grantwelch312@gmail.com if you are committed to seeing this next site of CrossPointe succeed!

Canning Jars needed

Vacation Bible School is in need of 63 pint (16oz) narrow mouth canning jars with lids. If you have some you can donate or you know where we can purchase them cheaply, please contact Robin Smith at 360-567-7956 or jpresmith@msn.com.

We have some huge opportunities coming up in our partnership with Silver Star Elementary. On Thursday, June 15th, we will prepare and serve our fourth annual staff and teacher appreciation breakfast at the school. We have heard that this is now an event the staff and teachers look forward to every year! If you would like to help, email me at ashley.seuell@gmail.com for times and details.

Over the summer, we also are going to prepare for two major things related to Silver Star. First, we are organizing a back-to-school fair at the school! We will need all hands on deck to run carnival games, pass out goodies, and get to know families. This fair will double as a time for families with needs to get information about resources, so this will be an important event in our neighborhood.

Finally, a Christian-led program called Teach One to Lead One is starting at the school in the fall. This program teaches and mentors kids on values like compassion, integrity, and perseverance. We will have more information for you soon, but please be praying for this program. Other local schools that have invited it into their classrooms have seen significant drops in discipline and behavior issues. Pray for the kids at the school who will be in the program and for the adults who will work one hour a week as mentors. And pray about whether you might become a mentor! We would love to have several CrossPointe folks personally in the school working with the students next school year.

By Ashley Seuell

June 2017

Sunday:

9:15 AM, Worship and Adult Life Groups

10:50 AM, Worship and Adult Life Groups

Tuesday:

10:30 AM, Senior Adult Life Group

Wednesday:

5:30 - 7:00 PM, Youth Group (grades 9-12)

7:00 - 8:30 PM, Youth Group (grades 6-8)

7:00 - 8:00 PM, KidsPointe 252 (grades K-5)

7:00 - 8:00 PM, Adult Life Groups

Thursday:

6:00 - 8:00 PM, Worship Team Rehearsal

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, June 4th:

12:30 PM, Deacon's Meeting

Tuesday, June 6th:

6:30 PM, ESL (English as a Second Language) end of year potluck

Wednesday, June 7th:

6:00 AM, Morning Prayer Gathering

Saturday, June 10th

8:00 AM, Men's Breakfast

4:00 PM, Crosspointe West Reverse-Door Hangers hanging distribution event

Sunday, June 11th

2:00 PM, Crosspointe West Reverse-Door Hangers collection event

4:30 PM, Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 14th

6:00 PM, Mission's Team Meeting

7:00 PM, Elder's Meeting

Thursday, June 15th

7:00 AM Silver Star Teacher & Staff Appreciation Breakfast

6:30 PM Bible Journaling Group

Saturday, June 17th

10:00 AM, Starting Pointe Class

Friday, June 23rd

7:00 PM, Baby shower for Erika Welch

Wednesday, June 28th

7:00 PM, Elder's Meeting

Happy Birthday!!

06/01

Shelly Viken

Maria Potter

06/02

Michael Williamson

06/03

Chuck Miller

06/04

Jay DeHart

06/05

Natalie Francis

Rob Elliott

Chloe Fretz

06/06

Eric Teel

Don Walker

06/12

Wes Hughes

Sonya Fitzpatrick

06/13

Cindy Alvarez

Jose Alvarez II

Robin Smith

06/14

Kristina Teel

Twyla Outhier

06/15

Grant Welch

06/16

Winnie Chambers

06/18

Zack Wallway

06/21

Finley Reimann

Brian Harpel

06/24

Greg Harvey

Michael Dalgardno

06/26

Gracie Canfield

Jerry Chambers

Happy Anniversary!

Greg & Denise Harvey June 9th

Joe & Catherine Camp June 18th

Laurie & Bryan Harpel June 20th

Bill & Sue Jenkins June 24th

Shad & Nicolle Gatson June 24th

If your special day was not included please take a moment to fill out your Connection Card and include your date(s) so we can update our records with your information. Thank you!