

UNKNOWN PROPHETS

Joel: Rend Your Hearts

Joel 2: 12-14

Pastor Tom

August 13, 2017

What does it mean to rend your heart?

Self-inflicted _____ and _____ of your heart as a _____ to God's _____.

1. _____ to the Lord

- ◆ _____ to God first
- ◆ _____ of any sin
- ◆ _____ any idols
- ◆ _____ what is not yours to carry

2. _____

- ◆ Who _____ is
- ◆ Who _____ are
- ◆ The _____
- ◆ The _____

3. _____

- ◆ Join God in _____ and _____
- ◆ _____ in God, your _____.

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GOING DEEPER WITH **JESUS** FOR THE SAKE OF **OTHERS**

WELCOME!

Whatever has brought you to our church this morning, we welcome you and pray you will feel the peace and grace of God through our worship and through our church family.

Today you'll experience 25 minutes of worship through song, scripture reading, and prayer. We'll have a quick 5 minute update on upcoming events, and we'll take an offering (but as a guest, please feel no pressure to give).

A pastor will then share a 30-35 minute message from God's Word. Once a month we also celebrate the Lord's Supper.

GET CONNECTED

If you are looking to get plugged in here at LifeSpring, if you'd like to learn more about our church, or even if you're just passing through, we'd love to connect with you. Please take a moment to fill out a Connection Card, found in the pew backs in the sanctuary. Our Pastor of Connections, Elyse Thornburg (elyset@lifespringchurch.org), will be happy to get in touch with you and answer any questions you have about LifeSpring!

Join us for our next Connecting Event!

We'll be having a NewComers Pizza on Sunday, September 17 for anyone new to LifeSpring, or anyone who still feels new even if you've been here awhile. Find more information and the sign up sheet at the Welcome Center in the lobby!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Early Childhood

Loving care is provided in the SE corner of our Connecting Center for children 0-5 years old. Feel free to drop your children off before service or anytime during service.

Children's Ministry

Parents, please check your kids in at the Family Check In Station in the Connecting Center before attending service with your children. Kids K-5th grade start out in service and are dismissed before the message to attend crew252.

Student Ministries

No Confirmation or TACO for the summer - classes resume on September 10th

Check the summer calendar for what's happening each week @ www.lifespringchurch.org/students
Fusion (gr. 6-8) & Pulse (gr. 9-12) kickoff on August 30th

CARNIVAL ON THE CORNER

What is it?

It's a *big party* and a fun way to work alongside our neighbors at Sarah Milner Elementary and Boys and Girls Club as we encourage our neighborhood. Pick up a flyer in the Connecting Center for details and save the date: Sunday, September 10, 3:30-6 pm.

What we need:

All Skill Level Volunteers! There's an area to fit everyone - walking, cooking, playing, guiding, behind-the-scenes, front-and-center, supplies, and/or \$\$\$. Sign-ups are in the Connecting Center- check it out!

MISSION FOCUS

Carl and Karen Groot send greetings from Thailand. Carl often works with contractors whose employees are Burmese guest workers, meaning extra challenges and limited freedom for them. As unique friendships form, pray that God's love will be revealed in a special way. They also praise God that one of their three neighborhood refugee families has been chosen for possible relocation. Though the process is lengthy, they are thankful for glimmers of hope and trust God for the outcome.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our church calendar can be found online at www.lifespringchurch.org

8/13 - The Journey Informational Meeting

The Journey (formerly known as TNL) is an intensive discipleship process from mid-September through April, limited to about 12 people each year. There will be an Informational Meeting today at 11 in the Commons. If you are interested in being a part of this year's class, want more info, or are unable to attend the Informational Meeting, contact Tim Musslewhite (tim@FlightPathCoaching.com).

8/20 - Good 'ol Church Picnic

Join us for our last Crazy Daze of Summer event next Sunday. We'll be having a church picnic in the park. Bring your own food or buy lunch from the Elli's Deli food truck, a non-profit that provides employment opportunities for people with all abilities and specifically people with disabilities. Rumor has it that their cheesesteak is delicious! Check them out here: ellideli.org

9/10 - Back to 2 Services

We go back to 2 Sunday services (8:45 & 10:30) on September 10. The 8:45 service is softer with more traditional instrumentation, and the 10:30 service is louder with more modern instrumentation. Sunday School and Adult Growth classes will also kick off on the 10th. More info to come!

LIFE TOGETHER

Carnival on the Corner Walkers

Today is the last day to pick up your packets. Distribution is this week, August 15-20. Thank you for helping us!

Young Adult/ Young Families Group

If you are interested in helping to plan outings/ connection opportunities for young adults and young families (20's & 30's), please contact Sarah Kalb at (224) 688-4879 or sarahgkalb@gmail.com

Helping Hand

Our Helping Hand Fund is a tangible way that we provide care to members of our congregation and others connected to our church family with financial assistance in times of crisis and need. This fund is used in a variety of ways including helping with rent, utilities, and counseling costs. Currently, the fund is low. Would you pray and consider giving a special donation this month? You can donate online or by check, just be sure to note that it's for the Helping Hand Fund. Thank you for your generosity!

Communion Ministry

We are making a directory of names and phone numbers for the communion serving committee. Email Joni (jhnamesnik@gmail.com) if you have previously served or are interested in serving in the future!

Weekly prayer guides are available at the Welcome Center. We also have a prayer group that receives email updates at least once a week. Email the church office if you would like to be added to the group.

Join us on Sundays for Preservice Prayer, 8:45-9:15, in the Commons.