

BELIEVING BIG

Faith to Scatter

Matthew 13:1-9; 18-23
Pastor Scott

March 18, 2018



LifeSpring
Covenant Church

If you are the dirt, what needs to happen in you to make you more fruitful?

1. Become _____ by accepting _____
2. Grow _____ in God's Word
3. Pick _____ through giving God the _____
4. Become a Junior _____

When we walk with others in their dirt,

1. Offer ALL _____ in their _____
2. Invite TWO to study God's _____ with you
3. _____ ONE
4. Have Faith to "wastefully" _____ the _____

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!

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Early Childhood (0-5 years)

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 (Grades K-5)

Parents, please check your kids in at the Family Check In Station in the Connecting Center before attending service with your children. Kids in grades K-5 start out in service and are dismissed before the message to attend crew252 at 8:45 and/or Sunday School at 10:30.

Student Ministries (grades 6-12)

1st service: Confirmation (gr. 6-8) in 208 and TACO (gr. 9-12) in 207
Fusion (gr. 6-8) meets Wednesday 6-7:45 and Pulse (gr. 9-12) meets Wednesday 7-8:45.

Check out the Student Ministries page (lifespringchurch.org/students) and follow us on Facebook.

ADULT GROWTH CLASS

Christianity & Competing Worldviews: Naturalism and Postmodernism

March 11-25, Fireside room
8:45, facilitated by Mark Boespflug

Intellectual and historical factors have converged in the last one hundred years to produce two worldviews that are, broadly speaking, opposed to Christianity. These are Naturalism and Postmodernism. Join us in examining the history of thought that led to both views, as well as some of the major ideas associated with them and how they compare to those of Christianity.

MISSION FOCUS

Gary and Mary Lou Sander are missionaries currently serving in Colombia. Gary will be preaching at both services on Sunday, March 25th. You are invited to join us for lunch following the second service on that Sunday, giving us some special time to hear more from Gary about their ministry. Please RSVP to Nancy Lubinski if you plan to come by leaving a message at 667-4513 or sending an email to nlubi@q.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

View our church calendar online at www.lifespringchurch.org

TODAY- "You've Been Egged"

Do you need a creative way to invite your neighbors, friends, and family to our Easter Celebration Weekend? Then join us in the Connecting Center after church to make your "You've Been Egged" invite.

March 30- Good Friday Service

Join us Friday, March 30th at 7PM for a 1 hour service. We take this time to reflect as a community on Christ's suffering on the cross as we wait eagerly for Easter morning. Childcare is provided for 0-5 years.

March 31 - Easterpalooza

We'll be hosting Easterpalooza on Saturday, March 31, 9-11 AM, for your kids, grandkids, neighbor's kids, all the kids! Visit Melissa in the Connecting Center today to learn more about this event, or to sign up to help. There are lots of volunteer opportunities, we need gently used or new books, cookies, and other donations.

April 6 - Gary Schmidt Benefit Concert

Gary Schmidt is a very talented classical musician and has graciously offered to put on a concert to benefit the Boys and Girls Club next door. Join us here at church on Friday, April 6, 7 PM. Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased any time during the week in the front office or we'll also have them for sale today and 25th. A night of good music that supports our neighborhood's children? Sounds great, save the date!

LIFE TOGETHER

Today's worship...

We are currently searching for a new Pastor of Worship Arts and are in the interview stages. We're grateful to have a variety of people filling in in the meantime. Please welcome Joseph Noelliste. Joseph teaches music at Elon University in North Carolina and his wife teaches German at UNC in Greeley. Joseph has been involved in worship since a young boy growing up in Jamaica, and is both a composer and solo pianist.

Night of Joy Thank you!

Thank you for supporting our youth trips through your participation in Night of Joy. We truly appreciate all the chili, silent auction donations, giving, and attendance! We raised over \$3000 dollars!!!

If you are still interested in supporting our youth summer trips, there are envelopes on the wall in the Connecting Center to grab and give.

Join us every Sunday, 8-8:30, in the Commons for pre-service prayer.

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.