

Leipsic First Christian Church

October 11, 2020

Good Morning!

In this time of COVID, touching one another, be it a handshake or a hug, is a no-no. At least that's what the medical experts are telling us. I'm thinking that Jesus would have struggled (like we are) with these guidelines. He was someone who willingly reached out and touched people. Today's passage reveals a time when Jesus reached out and touched a man who was blind—not once, but three times. The result was a man who was able to see once again. The "touches" that Jesus used on this man teach us of how God wants to "touch" each one of us. Today we will look at the three touches of Jesus and this blind man and the way He wants to touch each and every one of us.

Thanks for being here!

-- Pastor Tim

Praise and Worship:

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Ever Be

It is Well

Opening Song: —I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go

Communion Song: —Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty

Sermon Title: "Clear Eyes. Full Hearts. Can't Lose"

(Mark 8:22-26)

The Gospel of Mark: Servant and Savior

Closing Song: —He Touched Me

Serving Today:

Elder: Adam Cupp

Deaconess: Jacie Eding

Organist: Mary Bishop

Junior Church Leader: Diane Cupp

- Anyone who would rather pick up the elements for communion and simply use them at the designated time in our service is invited to do so. Please be sure to dispose of the empty cup before you leave the Sanctuary.
- **The Church Board will meet on Wednesday in the Church basement beginning at 7:30 PM.**
- Our Junior Church Program will take place during the second worship service. As we assemble a staff and purchase individualized supply kits for each student, we feel that we can easily social distance the children (grades K-6) in our basement. Children will be encouraged to wear masks, though we won't make it mandatory.
- **While we are resuming our Junior Church Program, we will NOT be resuming our Nursery care during worship. We don't feel that there is enough room to socially distance in the Nursery. It will be available to any parent who would like to use the space with their small child if they so desire to use it. Please understand that your child's presence in worship is welcomed. The sweetest sounds in the sanctuary are the sounds little children make.**
- We will be participating in Operation Christmas Child this year—only it will be slightly different than the previous years that we have done so. We will be asking you to take your own box home and filling it with items and then bringing the boxes back to the church. There is a paper with items that are great to purchase to put in the boxes available for you to use. We have ordered more boxes and we hope they come in soon. If you would rather purchase items to put in a box, we will have someone pack the box for you and get it ready for delivery.
- **We will be taking a special offering on 2 Sundays: October 25 and November 1 to collect money to use for our annual needy family Christmas gifts. Please prayerfully consider how you can help as we identify families and then bring special Christmas gifts for this this year.**
- **Offering Last Sunday: \$2,882.86; Weekly Budget: \$2,086.83**

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Our Mission statement can be simply stated as **Know, Grow, and Show**:

We seek to **KNOW** God through worship and fellowship;

We seek to **GROW** spiritually and corporately;

We seek to **SHOW** the community who Jesus is.

WELCOME! If this is your first visit to Leipsic First Christian Church (or even if you have been hanging out for a long time) we are so glad you are here. Sometimes, when we visit some place new, we have lots of questions. So here are a few notes that might answer some of those questions:

- **We're nothing special**—just a bunch of Christ followers on a journey to figure out how we fit in God's Kingdom and how to live in this world. We make mistakes like everyone else but we are striving to do better each day.
- We serve **Communion** (the Lord's Supper) **every week**. Ours is an "open table" which means that you don't have to be a member here to participate in communion. The only requirement is that you have confessed Jesus as your Lord and Savior. As the trays are passed just take each element and pass it on to the next person. (Go ahead and give the cup back).
- We serve **coffee** (usually). It's located up at the front of the church in the room on the left.
- We have a **nursery** for children from birth through age 4. It's downstairs in the basement in the northwest corner.
- **During the school year** we have a **Junior Worship** service in the basement that takes place during worship for children grades K-5.
- We have this wild **greeting (or fellowship) time** that takes place early in the service. Hold on to your hats, because this is a crazy friendly place and you will be greeted multiple times.
- **More about Leipsic First Christian Church** can be found on our website (see below)

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