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WHERE WE MEET

1883 Old US 24
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Worship Service
11 AM Sunday Mornings

Thoughts from our Senior Pastor:

Suggested Reading



I know that as the summer quickly moves along, more and more of us will be taking vacations. I also know that many people put reading a book as part of their vacation "to do" list. If you have been coming to The Well over the last several weeks then I am sure that you have heard me refer to two different books. One is a book called **Ask Why First: How Great Leaders Inspire Everyone to Action** by Simon Sinek. This book is being read by the entire leadership team here at The Well and I would suggest that you add it to your summer reading list. Learning to ask "why" first is an incredible tool that will help us in every aspect of life. When we apply the principles to our spiritual lives, God will do amazing things in us and through us. You also get to learn a lot of really neat things about companies like Apple, Southwest Airlines, Wal-Mart, and Toyota.

I would also suggest that you read the book **Classic Christianity** by Bob George.

My attention was grabbed in the foreword written by Major Ian Thomas who writes; "There are few things quite so boring as being religious, but nothing quite so exciting as being a Christian."

I have learned many things from this book, particularly when it comes to my motivation as a follower of Christ. While I am grateful for the grace of Christ, the way that I am living would indicate that I don't trust in His grace and that I still try and earn my way into heaven through my good deeds and behaviors. This book is teaching me that I am loved and accepted by God based on Jesus and nothing that I can do. This is a relief because I am constantly being confronted with all that I cannot do. If you are going to read one book this summer, make it this one. By why not make it both?

Senior Pastor
Josh Kesler

June Block Party Photos



Confessing Your Sins: Part 1

What comes to mind when you hear “we must confess our sins?” Do you picture a confessional with a member of the clergy on the other side? Do you picture private prayer? Do you imagine telling others? In the next few newsletters, we will examine the topic of the confession of sins, why it’s necessary, and how it can benefit us as believers.

Scripture teaches us how important it is that every Christian should practice confession. What the Bible says about confession may well surprise you.

What will happen if you don’t confess your sins? In the book of Psalms, we discover that even King David gets weak from his lack of confession. Psalm 32:1-6 says this:

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” And you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found...

David, prior to his confession, was becoming weak and weary, his bones were wasting away, and his life was being drained by his sins. So we see that unconfessed sins will become stressful and unmanageable.

Sin generates sin, so in order for unconfessed sin to exist, people need to

keep living a sinful life. Just like a forest fire that starts with a spark, as long as oxygen is present, the fire will continue to burn. Remove the oxygen source, and the fire is snuffed out. The effect of sin in our lives is weakened when we confess our sins and bring them into the open.

Next month we will cover *why* God asks us to confess our sins.

Pastor Jim Hippensteel



The Well T Shirts

\$10

Shirts are located in the common area at the West entrance.



Youth

With summer in full swing, it's been a great success running The Middle and youth group two times a month! I'm also very excited to announce we have a few new volunteers to help us out! For the summer months we've started a point system to get the kids motivated to work hard and work towards earning a trip at the end of summer. For the next three weeks we'll finish up a series we've started called Splash. Splash contains lessons that derive from biblical stories involving water. Students and parents are highly encouraged to work at memorizing their verse of the week, along with practicing good behavior while at church and coming prepared every week with their Bibles! It's been wonderful seeing the students begin to grow and interact in these past few weeks since we've started this new points system. On June 24 I took 6 students to a Tincaps game! It was so much fun and I'm looking forward to doing that again soon! For the rest of summer and even into the school year I will continue to take a small number of students on outings so I have the opportunity to get to know them better, along with watching them interact with students they might not get along with on a daily basis. I will also take one to two students out for ice cream so I can spend time with them one

on one and we will also continue to do large group activities with the entire youth group. I'm still planning on having a lock-in by the end of July and once I have more details I will release that information. Regarding information on trips and such we'll be taking from now until the end of the summer, I will have the information available at least 3 weeks in advance so families can make arrangements if needed. Please understand that it's very difficult to set up smaller activities months ahead of time. Sometime during the month of July I'm going to try and have a small fundraiser available for the teens to do!

If you haven't already please go online to Facebook and like our Facebook page "The Well Youth Group." Every week I will post information regarding our verse of the week, weekly reminders to parents and students, and details for trips when available.



Any questions, contact me at abby@thewellhuntington.org.

Neighborhood Kids

The Neighborhood is currently "under construction" as we look ahead for some exciting changes coming in August! Starting August 3, some students will change classes, new curriculum will be implemented & much more! This will mean some changes for parents, kids AND volunteers! Change is not always easy, but is necessary for our little ones to grow in their walk with Him. So... that being said, look for information coming soon regarding dates & times for parent and volunteer meetings that will be scheduled during the month of July. During these meetings, we will discuss expectations, curriculum changes, etc. We will also take the time to answer any questions you may have regarding these changes!

Also, if you are interested in getting plugged-in to The Neighborhood in any way, please contact Tyanne at tyanne@thewellathuntington.org for more information!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Be Informed

Be sure to like our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/thewellathuntington
 Check out our website:
www.thewellhuntington.org
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We Want You to Have a Bible

If you are in need of a Bible, The Well has one for you. See Pastor Josh on Sunday morning.

Parking and Seating on Sunday Mornings

If you are able, please park in the lower, south lot to allow closer parking for those who need it. Also, please take advantage of the open seating in the front of the sanctuary so others can easily find seating as they arrive.

Men's Prayer Group

Meets on Mondays at the church, 7 PM

Serving Opportunities

Some of you may be wondering how you can serve at The Well. We currently have opportunities in our Children's Ministry, Worship Ministry, Frontline Ministry, with more opportunities coming! If you want to get plugged into The Well, contact any of the pastors and they will help you get connected.

Getting the Newsletter?

If you know someone who isn't getting the newsletter, for whatever reason, let us know. Send us an email at
office@thewellathuntington.org.

Frontline Ministry

If you would like to serve as a greeter, usher, or in any other area of hospitality on Sunday mornings, contact Marcy Hawkins at
marcy@thewellathuntington.org.

Cleaning Ministry

If you are available to help serve by taking an hour a week and cleaning our building, please contact Pastor Marvin at
marvin@thewellathuntington.org

Prayer Available

If you have any prayer requests or would like to pray with one of our pastors contact Pastor Jim Hippensteel at jim@thewellathuntington.org. He is also available for prayer, before and after our worship service.

New Mailing Address

We are no longer using the PO Box. Please send any mail to 1883 Old US Highway 24, Huntington, IN 46750.

Thank You!

The Well staff and leadership would like to sincerely thank Molly Edgel and her "Block Party" team for such a great event last month! We look forward to more time spent as a community.

Thanks go to Aimee McNew and her team of volunteers for making our garage sale a success. The tireless effort and service given does not go unnoticed. We appreciate you all!

Thank you to all who donated items for the garage sale.

Thanks to our cleaning crew for preparing the building for each weekend service. You do a great job!

Thanks to all who helped with food for Pris Bickel's funeral meal. The family appreciates your willingness to come alongside of them during this time.

Thanks go to all of our volunteers who give of their time to make each Sunday morning a God-honoring event.

Check Out Our Website
www.thewellhuntington.org

