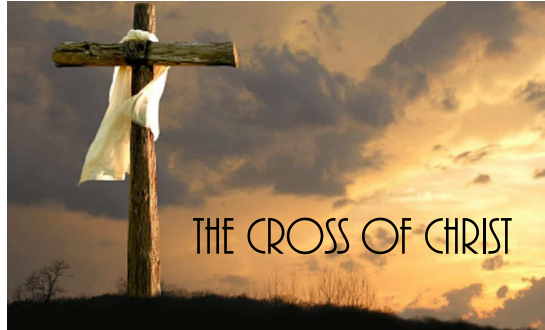


March 29, 2020

two RIVERS church 2RC



#2—How Badly Do We Need the Cross?

MEN—Save These Dates!!

Texas-Holdem Fundraiser
May 22—Friday night

Fall Campout
September 11-13

More info to come!

COVID-19 Update:

We want to be careful and cautious without living in fear! Our plan right now is to continue to meet every Sunday morning (following our precautions). All smaller groups will continue to meet as normal. We will keep you advised via Facebook and email.

Please go out of your way to minister to those who are choosing to stay home!

Let's pray against this virus. Pray that people will turn to the Lord.

"Our God is greater. Our God is stronger. God, You are higher than any other. Our God is healer. Awesome in power, our God!"



YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Be on the look out !!!

The Youth group is raising \$ for kids to go to Summer Camp. Let them know who you want to "hit"

tithes and offerings

	received	budget	%
Year to date	\$ 30,405	\$ 192,450	15%
Feb.	\$ 15,652	\$ 15,638	101%

donations

You can now make on-line gifts on our web-site—even auto-pay through **PayPal**. www.tworiverschurch.net



- **Every Sunday morning at 10:15am** we will "circle up" in the auditorium for a brief, but essential time of seeking God. Please join us!!
- **Pray for our youth ministry** every 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:30pm
- **Every 2nd Saturday at 10am** We meet here at the bldg. interceding for the people and ministries of this church.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THESE PRAYER TIMES!!

March Birthdays

Meredith Killinger 30

April Birthdays

Steve Williams 01
 Jacob VanValkenberg 03
 Jeremy Roark 04
 Wyatt Henderson 08
 Jenny Jones 17
 Kathy Gossett 18
 Laura VanValkenberg 19
 Stuart Wall 23
 Kylieann Brown 25

ANYONE ELSE??

Jr. High / Sr. High
WEDNESDAY Nights
Youth Group 6:30pm

Sunday Snacks Schedule

2RC—Where real people with real problems experience real love, forgiveness, and can become real disciples in Christ Jesus!

We are on-line !!! www.tworiverschurch.net

HOME GROUPS

two rivers is not a church *with* home groups, we are a church *of* home groups

These communities are the most important thing we do at 2RC **ARE YOU CONNECTED??**

Wednesdays

- Led by Meusers (503-651-3116)

Meet at Meuser's home—2140 N Maple in Canby—7pm

Thursdays

- Led by Classens (503-819-0971)

Meet at VanValkenberg's—3552 se Westview Ave #6 in Milwaukie—7pm

- Led by Kramer (503-919-1083)

Meet at Wall's home— 13900 SE Beech St in Milwaukie—7pm

Fridays

- Led by Jones' (503-701-6791)

Meet at Wolvert's home - 1318 Sherri Ct. in West Linn - 6:30pm

Sermon Notes: The Cross of Christ #2—How Badly Do We Need the Cross?

Rob Classen

Hebrews 9:14-16

Romans 5:8-10

3 Viewpoints of the Cross within Christendom:

1. ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY
2. ABSOLUTELY UNNECESSARY
3. HYPOTHETICALLY NECESSARY

1. ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY—

- * God, and God alone had to act first if anyone was going to be saved
- * God saved us while we were still sinners, enemies.
- * The cross of Christ bridges the gap between God and humans—reconciling us back to him
- * Ephesians 2:1 & Colossians 1:22-22 say that “We were dead in our sins”
- * Original Sin / Inherited Sin
- * **St. Augustine**— “I cannot not sin”

2. ABSOLUTELY UNNECESSARY

* **Pelagius** believed humans had a key part in initiating salvation. Strict morality and good works were good enough to get into heaven and earn God's favor.

- * “God holds us responsible only for what we are able to do”

3. HYPOTHETICALLY NECESSARY

- * “Middle Ground” = **Semi-Pelagianism**
- * Tainted by sin, not born with a sin nature
- * Partial depravity

SO WHAT? - Guard yourself with Scripture! If the cross isn't absolutely necessary then we are practicing moralism, not salvation by grace alone.

“What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!!!”

HOME GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why is our orthodox stance of the atonement being absolutely necessary so unpopular today, even among so called “Christian” believers?
- What are the modern views of sin?
- Based upon what you have learned, why is the atonement absolutely necessary for your salvation?
- Paraphrase Hebrews 9:14-16 in your own words.

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Worship Service—**Sundays, 10:45am**

Prayer - 10:30 am

Community Time - 10:15am