

Loving God
Loving One Another
Living the Mission



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1 Timothy



Christmas Card Mailbox



Our *Christmas Card Mailbox* is in the lobby. This is a convenient way to share cards, but it also saves you postage. The mailbox was started with the desire that everyone will use whatever they save on postage as a **starting point** for giving to the *Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions*. Feel free to come in during the week and avoid the “crowd.”

2023 Ladies' Bible Studies

The Excellent Wife by Martha Peace



Led by Beth Long, this study continues from last winter (but it is fine to join us now!) and will meet on Wednesday mornings in the Fellowship Hall beginning **January 11**. You may use your book from last year—a “part 2” study guide will be available in the office soon. *Please* fill in the info on the sheet beside the study guide. If you are just joining us and need a book, we have a few available in the office and can order more to arrive before the study begins.

The Gospel on the Ground

This is a fascinating DVD-led study on the book of Acts. Facilitated by Sue DeForest, it will meet on Monday evenings at 6:00 and is scheduled to begin on **January 30**.



Books are available in the office. Contact Sue or the church office to let us know you plan to attend. (It helps with planning and ordering materials.)



Covered Dish Fellowship Next Sunday December 11

You'll want to stay after Life Groups for a delicious meal and a great time of fellowship.

Our speaker in December is a member of the Gideons. Learn more about how this ministry spreads the Word of God.

You are encouraged to bring a favorite dish to the kitchen before the worship service begins.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST

BUILDING LIVES AROUND SOLID TRUTH

December Meeting Dates:

December 7—a regular BLAST night

December 14—Family Night!

Resumes Jan. 4, 2023 following our Christmas Break

Join us this Wednesday!

6:00PM Family Dinner



6:45PM Kids Clubs

Girls Club (girls 5 year-5th grade)

Boys Club (boys 5 year-5th grade)

Jr. Youth (grade 6)

Salty Youth (grades 7-12)

Text Messages: Early in 2023, we'll be asking our **members and regular attenders** to sign up for text messages from the church. These will be few and short and informative. If you have questions, call the office.

This Week at *CrossPointe Fellowship*

Sunday, December 4

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups (see back)"

Monday, December 5

- 9:30 am BSF Ladies (Education Bldg.)

Tuesday, December 6

Education Bldg in use all day

Wednesday, December 7

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm WNB Family Supper (All Welcome!)
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST
Kids Clubs, Salty Youth

Thursday, December 8

- Education Bldg in use all day
9:30 am Prayer Circle (& *Hope Seeds* packing—Bobbitt home)
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

Sunday, December 11

- 9:00 am Worship
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)
10:30 am Life Groups (see back)
11:40 am Covered Dish Fellowship



Boxed Giving Envelopes for 2023

will be in the lobby next week. If you've not been using envelopes, but would like a box, please let Sandy know or put "envelopes" (and your name) on the Welcome Sheet in this bulletin and drop it in the offering bucket.

How to Reach Us

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We **will** also have a family-style worship service at 9am on Christmas Day, **Sunday, December 25**. No Life Groups on 12/25.



CrossPointe Public: GoCrossPointe

Awesome Adventure, our **Children's Church** for 4 years through 5th grade, dismisses from the sanctuary before the message during the worship service.
Children's Life Groups (10:30) meet in rooms on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.



Anchored Student Ministries (grades 6-12) Life Group meets at 10:30 each Sunday in the Youth Room (room 2) of the Education Building. There are a variety of other activities throughout the summer, including Wednesday evening activities and Fantastic Fridays. See Steve DeWitt for complete info.

CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader	Location*
Sun	10:30 am	<i>Romans: Righteousness from God Revealed</i>	Wayne Bronkema	Rm 7
	10:30 am	<i>The Gospels</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Women — <i>Job</i>	Benita Saldutti	Rm 4
	10:30 am	Young Adults — <i>The Gospel of John</i>	Andrew Turner	Basement
	10:30 am	<i>Genesis—A Book for Today</i>	David Romberger	Rm 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Minor Prophets</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (also <i>Hope Seeds packing</i>)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	<i>Genesis</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*We have several groups that meet monthly or biweekly.
Visit our online calendar to learn more about those groups.
Please check your directory or call the church office for addresses of the groups that meet away from CPF.*

*Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg.
Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg.
"Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage.*

Video & audio messages are available on our website. The current message will be on our home page and past messages available under "Resources." **Our NEW YouTube handle is CPF-AMI.** Links to our church, youth and children's Facebook pages can also be found on our home page.



Our regular attenders are invited to give online at our website or use our giving app: *Vanco Mobile*, available from your mobile app store or scan the QR code to go to our giving page.



You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

Giving Note: The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..



The Goal

12/4/22

1 Timothy 1

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus

according to the commandment

of God our Savior,

and of Christ Jesus, *who is* our hope;

²to Timothy, *my* true child in *the* faith:

Grace, mercy *and* peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³As I urged you upon my departure for Macedonia,
remain on at Ephesus,

in order that you may instruct certain men

not to teach strange doctrines,

⁴nor to pay attention to myths and endless genealogies,

which give rise to mere speculation

rather than *furthering* the administration of God which is by faith.

⁵But the goal of our instruction is love

from a pure heart

and a good conscience

and a sincere faith.

⁶For some men,

straying from these things,

have turned aside to fruitless discussion,

⁷wanting to be teachers of the Law,

even though they do not understand

either what they are saying

or the matters about which they make confident assertions.

⁸But we know that the Law is good,

if one uses it lawfully,

⁹realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous man,

but for those who are lawless and rebellious,

for the ungodly and sinners,

for the unholy and profane,

for those who kill their fathers or mothers,

for murderers

¹⁰and immoral men and homosexuals

and kidnappers and liars and perjurers,
and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching,
¹¹according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God,
(the gospel of the glory of The Blessed God)
with which I have been entrusted.

¹²I thank Christ Jesus our Lord,
who has strengthened me,
because He considered me faithful,
putting me into service;
¹³even though I was formerly
a blasphemer
and a persecutor
and a violent aggressor.
And yet I was shown mercy,
because I acted ignorantly in unbelief;
¹⁴and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant,
with the faith and love which are *found* in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners,
among whom I am foremost *of all*.

¹⁶And yet for this reason I found mercy,
in order that in me as the foremost,

Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience,
as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.

¹⁷Now to the King
eternal, immortal, invisible,
the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

This command I entrust to you, Timothy, my son,
in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you,
that by them you may fight the good fight,
¹⁹keeping faith and a good conscience,
which some have rejected and suffered shipwreck
in regard to their faith.
²⁰Among these are Hymenaeus and Alexander,
whom I have delivered over to Satan,
so that they may be taught not to blaspheme.

Matthew 22:36 "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?"

³⁷ And He said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.

³⁹ "The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

Matthew 5:43 ... love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you

⁴⁵ in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on *the* evil and *the* good, and sends rain on *the* righteous and *the* unrighteous.

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

⁸ The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

⁹ By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

1 Corinthians 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind, *and* is not jealous; love does not brag *and* is not arrogant,

⁵ does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong *suffered*,

⁶ does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;

⁷ bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never fails;

2 Corinthians 3:15 ...to this day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their heart;

¹⁶ but whenever a man turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, *there* is liberty.

¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

4:1 Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we received mercy, we do not lose heart,

² but we have renounced the things hidden because of shame, not walking in craftiness or adulterating the word of God, but by the manifestation of truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

³ And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

⁴ in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

⁵ For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake.

⁶ For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

All scripture is from the NASV. 1Timothy 1:1-20 is in the form of a phrase by phrase break down. The words and word order have not been changed.