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# **In His Steps**

**1 Peter 2**



## Lunch Fellowship TODAY

Everyone is invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall after Life Groups today. *You are welcome to join us whether or not you brought a dish.* We appreciate the variety of delicious food our church family supplies. *Thank you!*

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### WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST



6:00PM Family Dinner (donations appreciated)

6:45PM **SALTY YOUTH** grades 9-12

**WARRIORS FOR CHRIST** grades 6-8

**Boys Club** grades K-5

**Girls Club** grades K-5

**Preschool** 3-5 years old

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### How Then Shall We Live?

Answering the challenges we face as followers of Christ

Steve and Sherrie Pettit invite you to join their Life Group for a new study which begins today in Room 7. Our study seeks to discern how to live in a society that's rapidly escalating in its departure from and intolerance to what God says is good, true and holy. Our study will examine 1 Corinthians while addressing some of the challenging issues affronting the Bride of Christ.



## Volunteer at the Compassion Center

You're invited to serve at the **Azinger Family Compassion Center** in Palmetto with us this **Tuesday, September 10**. We meet at 8:45 a.m (call to find out where) to go to the center and often go out for lunch when we're finished. The Compassion Center serves foster families and families in need.

*If you're interested in helping this month (EVEN IF YOU ARE A REGULAR VOLUNTEER), please let Suzanne Farrar (850-980-4472) know so she can update the center on how many volunteers to expect.*

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### NEW Women's Bible Study

relational apologetics

*Begins This Wednesday*

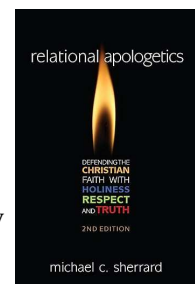
This class will meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.



Come at 9:00 a.m. for extra sharing time.

You will need to purchase this book online through outlets like [ChristianBooks.com](http://ChristianBooks.com) or [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com) or order through your local bookstore.

Please read the **Preface** and **chapters 1 & 2**, answer the questions for those chapters at the end of the book, and be ready to discuss them this Wednesday.



## CPF Calendar

### Sunday, September 8

*Week of Prayer—Maguire State Offering*

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

### Monday, September 9

- 9:30 am BSF Ladies

### Tuesday, September 10

- 8:45 am Compassion Center (Palmetto)

### Wednesday, September 11

- 7:00 am Men's Breakfast & Bible Study  
9:00 am Wednesday Women (see back)  
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)  
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST  
*Family Night!*

### Thursday, September 12

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (see back)  
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)



Monday, October 7  
9am-5pm **40 Days for Life** (time of prayer)

Saturday, October 19  
10am-9pm **Bayfest** (a service opportunity)

Thursday, November 14  
6pm **Annual Business Meeting**  
2025 budget and more



## How to Reach Us

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**Children's Church** (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

**CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly**

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader/Contact	Location
Sun	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Romans</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>1 John</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
	10:30 am	<i>1st Corinthians</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:30 am	Women—Relational Apologetics	Sue DeForest	Library (Room 1)
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle ( <i>Hope Seeds</i> follows)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*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..*

Several other groups, including Ministry Teams, meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**. Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

**GIVING INFORMATION:**

*Our Donation Buckets* are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**, available from your mobile app store. 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..

# In His Steps

9/8/24

## 1 Peter 2

<sup>4</sup>And

coming to Him as to a living stone,  
rejected by men, but choice and precious in the sight of God,

<sup>5</sup>you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house  
for a holy priesthood,

to offer up spiritual sacrifices\* acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

<sup>6</sup>For *this* is contained in Scripture:

"Behold I lay in Zion a choice stone, a precious corner *stone*,  
And he who believes in Him shall not be disappointed."

<sup>7</sup>This precious value, then, is for you who believe.

But for those who disbelieve,

"The stone which the builders rejected, This became the very corner *stone*,"

<sup>8</sup>and,

"A stone of stumbling and a rock of offense";

for they stumble because they are disobedient to the word,  
and to this *doom* they were also appointed.

<sup>9</sup>But you are

a chosen race,

a royal priesthood,

a holy nation,

a people for *God's* own possession,

that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him \*

who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

<sup>10</sup>for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God;  
you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

<sup>11</sup>Beloved,

I urge you

as aliens and strangers

to abstain from fleshly lusts, <sup>1</sup>

which wage war against the soul.

<sup>12</sup>keep<sup>(ing)</sup> your behavior excellent among the Gentiles,

so that

in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers,

they may

on account of your good deeds,

as they observe *them*,

glorify God in the day of visitation.

<sup>13</sup>Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, <sup>2</sup>

whether to a king as the one in authority,

<sup>14</sup>or to governors as sent by him

for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right. <sup>3</sup>

<sup>15</sup>For such is the will of God

that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.

<sup>16</sup>~~Act~~

as free men,

and ~~do~~ not use<sup>(ing)</sup> your freedom as a covering for evil,

but ~~use it~~ as bondslaves of God.

<sup>17</sup>Honor all men;

love the brotherhood,

fear God,

honor the king.

<sup>18</sup>Servants,

be(ing) submissive to your masters\*

with all respect,

not only to those who are good and gentle,  
but also to those who are unreasonable.

<sup>19</sup>For this *finds* favor,

if for the sake of conscience toward God a man bears up under sorrows  
when suffering unjustly.

<sup>20</sup>For what credit is there if,

when you sin and are harshly treated,  
you endure it with patience?

But if

when you do what is right and suffer *for it*  
you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

<sup>21</sup>For you have been called for this purpose,

since Christ also suffered for you,

leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps\*,

<sup>22</sup>who committed no sin,

nor was any deceit found in His mouth;

<sup>23</sup>and while being reviled, He did not revile in return;

while suffering, He uttered no threats,

but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

<sup>24</sup>and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross,

that we might die to sin and live to righteousness;

for by His wounds you were healed.

<sup>25</sup>For you were continually straying like sheep,

but now you have returned

to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Footnotes

<sup>1</sup> **Galatians 5:16** ...walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

<sup>17</sup> For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

<sup>18</sup> But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.

<sup>19</sup> Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,

<sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,

<sup>21</sup> envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you just as I have forewarned you that those who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

<sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

<sup>24</sup> Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

<sup>25</sup> If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

<sup>26</sup> Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.

<sup>2</sup> **Romans 13:1** Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those which exist are established by God.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore he who resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God; and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.

<sup>3</sup> For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil. Do you want to have no fear of authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same;

<sup>4</sup> for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil.

<sup>3</sup> **Exodus 20:1-17**

<sup>1</sup> No other gods before Me.

<sup>2</sup> No idols

<sup>3</sup> Do not use God's name in vain

<sup>4</sup> "Remember the sabbath day

<sup>5</sup> "Honor your parents

<sup>6</sup> "You shall not murder.

<sup>7</sup> "You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>8</sup> "You shall not steal.

<sup>9</sup> "You shall not lie

<sup>10</sup> "You shall not covet

\* implied command

All scripture is from the NASV. 1 Peter is in the form of a phrase-by-phrase breakdown. The words and word order have not been changed except where indicated.