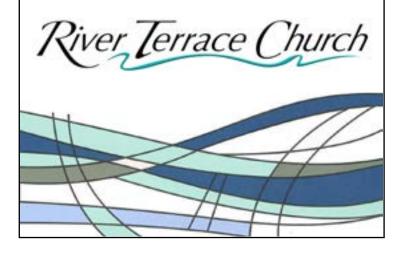


August 23, 2020

Looking Ahead: "...by my Spirit..." based on Zechariah 4

Message by Pastor Brent

Special offering: **Pathway of Hope**



TODAY

Outdoor & Online Worship Service: Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00 AM -- outdoors or online. For online you can find our YouTube link on our website and in the Friday email. For outdoors, we gather in the shade on the edge of the parking lot opposite the church building (east side of River Terrace Drive). Please read our <u>Guidelines for Outdoor Worship</u> and feel free to just show up. Either way, we hope you join us!

Children's Ministry: A new Greenhouse video (for kids age 5-grade 4) is available on our website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Brent will be on vacation through Labor Day.

Youth Ministry: We're looking for your input on youth ministry. If you have ideas of how to do youth ministry or someone you think would be great in this position, this is the time to share your thoughts. Please email Mark Menning (mark.fossilfuel@gmail.com) with your ideas on this topic.

Campus Edge Fellowship Fundraiser: Campus Edge Fellowship has cancelled its annual in person charity event, opting for a safer online appeal. This is the major annual fundraising appeal for this important ministry. Please consider giving as you are able, either through the church or online at campusedgemsu.com/donate/

THIS WEEK

A short memorial for Bill Hamilton's dad, Benjamin Hamilton, will be held **Monday**, **August 24** at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens at **2:30 PM**--outdoors with masks required and chairs spread far apart. Guests are welcome.

Campus Edge Fellowship: Monday, August 24 at 7:00 PM we are looking at faith and Covid-19. If you're a (new) grad or professional student, we'd love to have you join us! Wednesday, August 26 at 8:30 PM we are discussing capitalism and faith in our weekly pub theology discussion. We'd love to have you join us, whether or not you are a grad student. Contact Pastor Brenda for the Zoom link.

Story Time: Look for a new video every Friday!

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS and PRAYERS

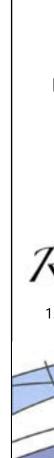
Thankful to report Lydia is doing well, with no additional treatment needed at this time. She is planning to return to Calvin for her senior year this fall. Our RTC church family was essential to us; Covid did not stop us from feeling the prayers and love during such a difficult time. We are thankful for each of you that make up such a great community of believers.

--The Sprague Family

Continued prayers are appreciated for Cheryl Bolt, Lucille Kuiper, Jan Lankerd, Jane Outslay, Jim Pignataro, Simon Reiffer, Margie Stephenson, Lynn Stewart, and Bob Worqul.

QUESTIONS FOR SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. Ever try to rejoice "when you face trials of any kind" (James 1.2)? How does it go?
- 2. What's a way you experience the pandemic as a "mighty mountain"?
- 3. What's a way we could "despise the day of small things"?
- 4. What are some "small things" God is calling you/us to do now?
- 5. What difference does it make to know that we can do small things "by my [the LORD Almighty's] Spirit"?





Next Sunday August 30 at 10:00 AM

Rejoicing in Exile based on Psalms 122

Message by Pastor Brenda Kronemeijer-Heyink

> Special offering: **Compassion Fund**



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