

When Less is MORE!

God's Word teaches values and priorities that are different from those of this world. We read in Philippians 2:5-11:

- ⁵ *Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:*
⁶ *Who, being in very nature ^{bl} God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,*
⁷ *but made himself nothing, taking the very nature ^{bl} of a servant, being made in human likeness.*
⁸ *And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!*
⁹ *Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,*
¹⁰ *that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,*
¹¹ *and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Self-sacrifice (v.6-7), servanthood (v.7b), humility (v.8a), and obedience (v.8b): these are the attitudes and actions of Jesus who “though he was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich” (2 Corinthians 8:9).

Jesus became less so that we might become more. And, because Christ became less for us, “God exalted Him” (v.9-11) so that He became more.

The same is true for Christ-followers. As we connect to Christ, His attitudes are reflected in us. The result is that we become less so that we become more of a blessing to others. For example, God loves us so that we can love others. And the more love we give away, the more love we have to give. That's the way God multiplies our blessings. It works the same way with our giving: When we give more time, more service, more obedience, more money, more of ourselves to God and His purposes, the more others are blessed and the more we are blessed.

The Lord Jesus himself said: “It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35). That's “When Less Is MORE!”

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Randy Schultz

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All Church Fellowship & Kid's Party

Sunday, April 10, 2011

The **Kid's Party** (*for infant to 6th grade*) will be held from 3:45 to 6:45 pm. They can be dropped off at **Our Savior** (party is in the Fellowship Hall) before you head up the street to **The Village** for the 7th grade through Adults dinner. Fellowship starts at 4:00 pm. Dinner at 4:30 pm.

You should have received your invitation in the mail recently.

Please send in your RSVP cards as soon as possible (one for Kids & one for 7th-Adult). We look forward to seeing everyone!

Surely...

there was a teachable moment in your life when you knew that you knew that God is real!!

Perhaps it was a time of bodily healing against all odds.

Perhaps it was an answer to prayer regarding a beloved family member or spouse.

Perhaps it occurred during service to our community or country.

Perhaps a mentor or family elder told you about Jesus in a way at a moment and in a place that turned your life around...forever.

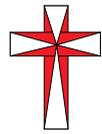
At that time you began a new LIFE... Living In Faith Evermore!

This is your faith story, and you would bless our church family to briefly tell us about it. Please consider doing so...soon! Your story can be just what a member or visitor needs to hear that will make a lasting difference in their life.

In order to Experience More as we together Connect to Christ, please consider sharing your story with us during the announcements portion of our Sunday worship.

You will be blessed to overflowing!

PHILEMON 6: "I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ."



A Cross of Faith, share it

When a friend and I stopped at the Dollar store, I was introduced to a friend of hers. As we spoke, I gave her friend a cross and told her that God loves her. I also gave a cross to the cashier and to some people who were standing in line behind me who thought the crosses were a great idea. My friend and I found 5 to 6 crosses in our purses and gave them all out. Oh, I forgot to tell you, when I gave a cross to the friend, she said, "why are you giving my friend a cross?" That was a big laugh because I said: "you did not give her one." :)

I had the opportunity to give a cross to a co-worker who was stressed out and crying. I gave her a cross and said: "God loves you." A few days later, she came and gave me a hug and thanked me. I also gave the secretary a cross and a few days later she told me that she took the cross home and every time things gets tough, she picks up her cross for strength and reassurance.

Upcoming Events

Connect to Christ, [experience More!](#)

6-Hour Prayer Vigil

Friday, April 1, 2011
from 3:00 - 9:00 pm

All Church Fellowship

Sunday, April 10 @ 4:00 pm
The Village, G-5262 N. Saginaw
St., Flint, MI (between
Coldwater & Carpenter roads)

Kid's Party

Sunday, April 10, 2011 @ 3:45 p
Our Savior Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall

6-Hour Prayer Vigil

Friday, April 15, 2011
from 3:00 - 9:00 pm

6-Hour Prayer Vigil

Friday, April 29, 2011
from 3:00 - 9:00 pm

Commitment Visits

May 9 - 21

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

May 22, 2011 @ 10:45 a.m.

Just showing people you care and putting on the "Face of Christ" can make someone's day better in small ways. For example, I now carry a lot of crosses to share whenever & wherever the opportunity presents itself. I gave a cross to the person working the drive through at McDonald's after the person in front of me was yelling at them. When I gave him the cross and told him to have a blessed day he said no one ever seems to care and he would keep it with him. Now no matter if I walk in or come through the drive thru, he makes a point of greeting me with a smile. Not much but we never know when we share the Lord with others, even in really small ways, it can get the Holy Spirit into their hearts.

6-Hour Prayer Vigils

If you missed the 24 Hour Prayer Vigil held March 18-19, you can still participate by attending one of the three coming up in April. The next three are 6 hours running from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm.



There will be a sign up board in the narthex. What a way to get some "real time" with God. A time to pray for others needs as well as your own.

Following is the dates and times for these 6 hour prayer vigils. Won't you commit to being part of one of them?

Friday, April 1, 2011
3:00 - 9:00 pm

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3:00 - 9:00 pm



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