

FALL SCHEDULE:

Aug. 26th – Sep. 23rd – “How to enjoy your life” Sermon series
September 9th – Sunday school starts
September 16th – Progressive dinners
Sep. 30th – Nov. 11th – “Beautiful Outlaw” Sermon series
October 1st – 7th – Bible study groups launch
October 6th @ 8am – Men’s Breakfast at Cracker Barrel on Academy & I-25

CLEFT PALATE SURGERY FUNDRAISER

Pastor Naas would like to thank everyone who has sponsored him for his Triathlon to raise \$250 for one child to have a cleft Palate surgery! He is very near to reaching his goal! He has raised \$175 so far, through your generous giving! If you are interested in helping him reach his target and help a child have their life made better, you can donate towards the surgery at this website:

<https://www.flatironsevents.com/members/fundraising?id=6231>

Alternatively you can write a check to: Your Cause Sports and write a memo reading: **Smile Train**

To learn more about Smile Train - visit their website at: www.smiletrain.org

SERMON NOTES

VOLUNTEERS TODAY

Worship Hour Nursery: Rich & Tina Martinez

Ushering: Cathy Ernst & Gordon Kaufman

Coffee Set-up: Mark Miller

Snacks: Peter & Tracy Hilts

Counting: Pam Grettenberger & Elizabeth Hendricks

Closing: Pam Grettenberger

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FAITH COVENANT CHURCH

Sunday, August 19th, 2012



Forgotten Virtues

Honor. Loyalty. Gratitude. Honesty. Humility.
Are they gone? Have believers left true character behind?
I certainly hope not!

The forgotten virtue we'll be focusing on today is humility. A virtue that is as precious as an Olympic Gold medal! I read something this week that George Washington Carver, the scientist who developed hundreds of useful products from the peanut said. He said: "When I was young, I said to God, 'God, tell me the mystery of the universe.' But God answered, 'That knowledge is reserved for me alone.' So I said, 'God, tell me the mystery of the peanut.' Then God said, 'Well, George, that's more nearly your size.' And so God then went ahead and told me!" I pray we all realize who we really are before God, for if we do, we cannot be proud!
May God bless you for being here today! -Pastor Naas

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Supplemental meeting Unworthy to touch it

The Lead Team would like to remind the members of Faith Covenant that our supplemental meeting will be held today, Sunday the 19th of August following our worship service. The main purpose of this meeting is to vote on new Lead Team members.

Here are the members we will be voting on today:

- Chuck Eklund
- Tom Wacker
- Sonja Snyder
- Cathy Ernst

Elizabeth Hendriks is in the middle of her two year term and Pastor Naas is on the team by default, so we won't vote on them. If you have any question, don't hesitate to ask during today's meeting. Thank you for staying and voting!

On a visit to the Beethoven museum in Bonn, a young American student became fascinated by the piano on which Beethoven had composed some of his greatest works. She asked the museum guard if she could play a few bars on it; she accompanied the request with a lavish tip, and the guard agreed. The girl went to the piano and tinkled out the opening of the Moonlight Sonata. As she was leaving she said to the guard, "I suppose all the great pianist who come here want to play on that piano."

The guard shook his head. "Padarewski [the famed Polish pianist] was here a few years ago and he said he wasn't worthy to touch it."

Intoxicated with unbroken success

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in numbers, wealth, and power as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand, which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us.

-A. Lincoln, Proclamation of a day of National Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer, 1863.

Companion Magazine Subscriptions

If you would like to continue receiving your subscription of the Companion magazine, or subscribe to the Companion, we ask that you please contact the church office to confirm your order. We would like to place an order for those who are interested. If you have forgotten to pay your dues for the past year, you can bring a check into the office and get caught up.

The way of a fool seems right in his own eyes

A U.S. Air Force transport plane with its captain and 5 crew members was flying over Alaska in the mid-50s when they entered an unusually fierce snowstorm. The navigator contacted an air base only to be told that he had veered several hundred miles off course. Correct coordinates were given to the navigator, who continued to insist that his own calculations could not be that far off. Soon the plane ran low on fuel. The six men decided to abandon the plane and parachute to safety, but because of the -70 degree Fahrenheit temperature and winds that gusted to 50 mph, they were all frozen within minutes of hitting the ground. A friend of mine was part of the rescue team that discovered and retrieved the bodies 3 days later. As a result of the navigator's pride, 5 other people went to their deaths. Proverbs 12:15 tells us that "the way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but he who heeds counsel is wise." The results may not always be so dramatic, but we must all be careful to seek the counsel of God and wise individuals before making decisions of lasting significance. - *Dave McPherson, New Orleans.*

A great opportunity to serve...

Dear Faith members and friends, we ask that you please join in our outreach to the homeless people in our city by helping us collect enough toiletries to hand out to 300 people at the "Service in the Park" on Sunday, September 9th in Acacia Park. Please bring all the toiletries that you can this month. You can take a copy of the list of needs by the boxes in the Narthex. We have collected toiletries for about 20 thus far and our goal is to serve 300. We will also gratefully accept checks made out to church (mark "9/9 Service" on the memo line) so that we can shop for all the items we have promised to supply for this important event. Are you a garage sale fan? Please look for sleeping bags, baby strollers and those items listed on the bottom of the list of needs page in the next few weeks.

The deadline for all donations is: Sunday, September 2nd. Please begin to pray now for 9/9. Pray that our service may be pleasing to God as we share his love with the neediest of souls. Got Questions? Contact: Nancy Stromer on 488-9590.