

Daily Scripture Readings for this week leading up to July 15th: Mark 6:14-29

Monday, July 9th

Mark 6:14-29

Do you relate to any of the characters in this story? Why? Why not? So what?

Tuesday, July 10th

Amos 7:7-15

Is there anything crooked in you that needs to be set straight? Why not take care of that with the Lord right now?

Wednesday, July 11th

Psalm 85:8-13

What does this say about what God wants to do for you? Will you receive it?

Thursday, July 12th

Ephesians 1:3-14

Look at v.5. What brings God great pleasure? Allow this truth to lead you into this day.

Friday, July 13th

Mark 6:14-29

Herodias held a grudge against John. Are you holding a grudge? What are you doing about it?

Song Set for Today:

At Your Name by Phil Wickham & Tim Hughes

Overwhelmed by Michael Weaver & Phil Wickham

What a Beautiful Name by Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood

Offering by Paul Baloche

How Deep the Father's Love for Us by Stuart Townend

Who You Say I Am by Ben Fielding & Reuben Morgan

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A Free Methodist Congregation

OUR VISION

is to be a people who:

**Say a daily Yes to Jesus, Engage our world as a mission field,
and Actively Care for the vulnerable.**

July 8, 2018

We Are Glad You Are Here!

Here is some practical information about our church:

- Free coffee and tea are available in the foyer.
- Don't have a Bible? Please use one that is under the seat in front of you.
- If you're a guest, do not feel obligated to give during the offering. We would like to get to know you, though. Please fill out a Welcome Card from the pocket of the seat in front of you and drop it in an offering plate.
- Nursery care (0-3 years) is available in the Nursery which is located upstairs in the second room on your left.
- Your children (Preschool-7th grade) are welcome to stay with you for all of the Worship Service, but children will be dismissed for age-appropriate Sunday School classes before the sermon. Please pick them up after the Service: Preschool-3rd grade are downstairs, 4th-7th grade upstairs on the right.
- To communicate prayer needs or pastoral questions, please use a Welcome Card or if you prefer, call or email the church office. Office hours are listed on the back.
- We welcome you to use our Wi-Fi: OCF Password: ocfchurch1313

Worship Service, 10:00 AM

Welcome / Worship in Song

Worship in Scripture / Songs

Global Missions Report: Harley & Abby McAllister

Worship in Global Missions Offerings / Song

(Children collect Global Missions Offerings; then are dismissed to their classes.)

Recognition of Free Methodist Chaplin: Pastor Peter Imathiu

Sermon: Pastor Dan Bonney, "Status Quo, We Hate It, We Love It"

Mark 6:1-13

Mark 6:3b, 5-6, New Living Translation (NLT)

They were deeply offended and refused to believe in him...

⁵ And because of their unbelief, he couldn't do any miracles among them except to place his hands on a few sick people and heal them.

⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Worship in Tithes & Offerings / Communion / Songs

This Week: For more information about our activities and Small Groups, you may acquire a brochure from the kiosk in the Foyer or on our website: OpportunityChristianFellowship.org

Today –Please donate to the **Toilet Paper Drive** for the Klothes Kloset Pantry. Place it in the yellow box in the foyer. Thank you!

–“African Day Celebration”, 5:00 PM – **African Children's Choir will be performing.** As a way of promoting diversity and different cultures in our church we are inviting you to a potluck barbecue to celebrate the Africans in our church. **Meat** for the barbecue will be provided, so please bring something to go along side, if it's an African recipe all the better. It will be at the Bonney's residence, 3807 South Woodruff Road, Spokane Valley, WA 99206.

Wed. –Fuel, 6:30-8:00 PM – A youth oriented service. Contact is Pastor Phil Amene (425-281-4251 or philipamene@icloud.com).

–Senior Adults' Potluck, Noon – All ages are welcome! Contact is Cyndi Lang (414-6800 or 230-3594).

Fri. – *"Fun Friday" Youth Activity* – Bowling, 1:00 PM – Meet at the church at 1:00 PM, please eat lunch before coming. Cost is \$4 per game, \$3 for rental shoes. Contact is Pastor Phil Amene (425-281-4251 or philipamene@icloud.com).

Coming Events:

Now-July 15 –Please donate to the **Toilet Paper Drive** for the Klothes Kloset Pantry. Place it in the yellow box in the foyer. Thank you!

July 22 – *"Fun Friday" Youth Activity* – Silverwood, 11:00 AM

July 27 – *"Fun Friday" Youth Activity* – Swimming Pool

Please fill out an OCF Family Directory form to assist the office staff as we work on putting out an updated Church Directory. The form is attached to the E-Blast, too.

JUNE STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

BUDGET GIVING: June Giving: \$15,826 - YTD Actual: \$111,839
YTD Goal: \$114,714

GLOBAL MISSIONS OFFERING: Received end of June: \$4,472.86

Daily Scriptures and Questions are on the OCF Website and in the Bulletin.

- On Twitter at: "Follow @WeAreOCF to the number 40404.
- To receive them by email call the office, email or write your name and e-mail on a Guest/Communication Card.

ONLINE GIVING: You can give to OCF Ministries through our web page. This QR Code will direct you to the OCF on-line giving site. We, of course, continue to accept traditional ways of giving. Please designate how you want your offerings applied.



Sermon Outline:

"Status Quo, We Hate It, We Love It"

Definition: status quo

The existing state of affairs, especially regarding social or political issues. Most of us do not like status quo. It is a negative term. We want change. What are the areas of status quo in your life that you desire to change?

Truth:

We want real life. We want good honest, open relationships with those who are closest to us. We want to be able to love people, really love people. But we find that our status quo, the "existing state of affairs" is far from where we want to be, how we want to live. **But to change the status quo is difficult. It takes great courage and is costly.**

Text: Mark 6:1-6a

Did they not want healing and blessing and LIFE? Of course, yet they "refused to believe". And in refusing to believe they chose to remain in their Nazareth...

Why did they refuse to believe?

Maybe they believed that "nothing good could come from Nazareth".

Maybe they saw this home boy success as an indictment on themselves?

If Jesus had "made it" why had they not?

Maybe they had gotten used to living in their own "stink", in their own "mess".

Here are four signs you may be living with dysfunction:

- 1) You're always having to give up something.
- 2) You, or others, keep talking about the same problems over and over again.
- 3) Somebody in your life refuses to take responsibility.
- 4) Somebody is overstepping your boundaries and you're not doing anything to stop it.

Do any of these strike home to you? Do any ring true?

Don't immediately dismiss them! That is what the Nazarenes did!

It takes great courage to be non-defensive.

Real Life is found through Courageous Faith in Jesus which leads to continual transformation.

Response:

Take the Green Card and write: One area of my life that needs changing.

Jesus, I give you permission to change me. I will not bury this, I will not ignore this, I will follow you into doing something about it.