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The Suburban Connection

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“FRIENDS ARE FRIENDS FOREVER, IF THE LORD’S THE LORD OF THEM”

It takes people of different gifts and talents to do the work of the Lord. He is the vine and we are the branches. God has blessed Suburban with the best when it comes to those serving in our ministries.

Nick and Karen Nicolas have been a vital part of the Suburban Christian Church family for 23 years. Nick has served on our board, worked in our Sunday School and VBS, been part of our Men's Ministry, worked with our special needs children who have attended Suburban, and has been ready to jump in wherever there was a need.

Karen has served Suburban in many areas as well: Sunday School teacher, VBS Director, Special Events Coordinator, Welcome and Check-In Volunteer, nursery volunteer, and has served as our Ministry Administrator for the past few years – just to name a few.

Both of them have often been behind the scenes every week helping our Sunday mornings run smoothly and making sure the needs of our volunteers are met.

It is with sad hearts that we have to say “Good-Bye” for now, but we know you will be a blessing to your new neighbors and community and that God will faithfully lead you to another place of worship where you can continue to serve the body of Christ with love. Our prayers go with you.

Save the Date!

Men's Breakfast

July 18th

8:00 am

VBS

July 20th – 24th

6:20-7:00 pm

Topic: The Armor of God
“Jesus’ Power Helps Us
Stand Firm”

AYM Nerf War

July 24th

Sign-up online



Glorifying God Through Restoration of Relationships

Breaking a bone is incredibly painful. The broken bone is out of place and must be put back, restored to its original location. As we look around our country today, it is easy to see that our relationships with each other are broken in many ways. When Adam and Eve sinned in the garden, not only did it alter their relationship with God, it also damaged their relationship with each other. Ever since the fall, mankind has experienced the destructive power of sin on human relationships.

The good news of the gospel is that through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God is at work restoring our relationship with Him and each other. Jesus Christ described this restoration of relationship in Matthew 12:48-50 when he asked, "Who is my mother and who are my brothers? And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said, 'here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.'" Jesus is declaring to His own flesh and blood family that only through receiving Him as Lord do you begin to experience true restoration of relationship.

Think about the diversity of the twelve disciples: fisherman, tax collectors, national zealots, married men, single men, all coming together to the glory of God to form a new family. Jesus longed for His disciples to experience this restoration of relationship. In John 17, Jesus prays over and over again for His disciples to experience the oneness that exist within the Trinity. He prays in John 17:21, "that they may all be one just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

Jesus previews the ultimate restoration of relationship in Revelation 7:9 when, ". . . a great multitude that no one can number from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb." This is the glorious picture of humanity restored to God and one another through the blood of the Lamb. As followers of Jesus Christ, we glorify God by displaying, to a watching world, the power of the gospel bringing a true restoration of relationships.

The world is watching. The church needs to demonstrate the sacrificial love of Jesus one to another. The church has the opportunity to show the world how the gospel, not only restores our relationship with God, but also our relationship with each other.

Praying for you by name,
Pastor Todd

Sunday School News

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.” John 14: 25-26

As we continue “Home Sunday School,” the children will be learning about Jesus the Teacher. We are praying the Holy Spirit will empower Dads and Moms, and some Grandparents, to communicate the lessons Jesus taught: the sermon on the Mount, the challenges of following Jesus, what He taught about prayer and possessions and that Jesus is our Good Shepherd. Each family is being asked to pray together about the Scripture they have read. We can continue to use our “webs” to record and collect what Jesus is teaching us. Wouldn’t it be amazing if God sent an outpouring of His Holy Spirit to us in our homes as we pursue Him together!



Men’s Prayer Breakfast & Bible Study

The Men’s Prayer Breakfast and Bible Study will meet again on July 18th and resume its regular twice per month schedule in August, meeting on August 1st and August 15th.

On July 18th, the study continues with Acts 25 and Paul’s imprisonment in Caesarea and his appearance before the Roman governor, Porcius Festus. After being accused by the Jewish leadership in Jerusalem of “*many and serious charges*,” all of which he denied, Paul as a Roman citizen, informed the governor that he wanted to appeal his case before Caesar. To which Festus replied, “*To Caesar you have appealed, to Caesar you shall go.*” (Acts 25:12)

The remainder of chapter 25 discusses Festus’ introduction of Paul’s case to the Judean King, Herod Agrippa II, with Paul’s defense before him presented in chapter 26. It concludes with Agrippa stating, “*This man could have been set free if he had not appealed to Caesar.*”

Paul’s event-filled voyage to Rome will be discussed in chapter 27.

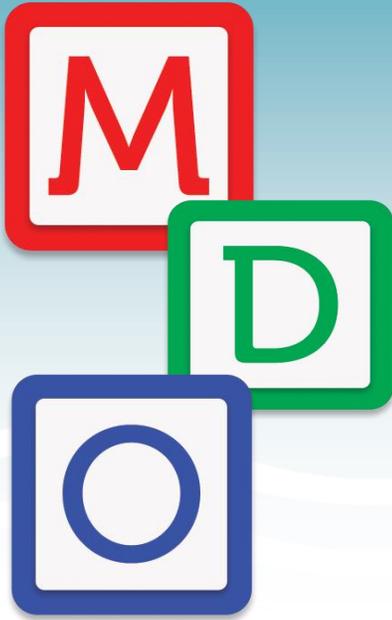
The Men’s Prayer Breakfast and Bible Study is an outstanding opportunity for the study of God’s Word, for prayer, and for fellowship. It is open to men of all ages; church members and non-members.

A “home-made” breakfast of eggs, bacon, sausage, grits, sausage gravy, biscuits, fruit medley, orange juice, and coffee begins in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am and is followed at 8:30 with Bible study and prayer. It concludes around 9:15 am, leaving plenty of time for most Saturday morning obligations.

Bob Grymes

COVID 19 protocols including social distancing and masks will continue to be observed as appropriate.

Suburban Kids Mother's Day Out



MDO is now enrolling for the 2020-21 school year. Children, ages 2.5-4 years old, will enjoy an exceptional program from Tuesday-Friday, 9am-1pm, with an early drop off available at 8:30am. We offer Bible, Music, Spanish, and STEM activities daily.

We are also looking for substitutes. If you have any questions or are interested, please call the office 495-0352 or Andréa Hoover 575-2670.



SCC Church Staff



Rev. C. Todd Haynes
Senior Pastor



Sally Harden
Director of Student Ministry



Sarah Nelapaty
Director of Children's Ministries



MISSION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

To glorify God, by making disciples of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit.

VISION: WHAT WILL THAT LOOK LIKE?

A growing faith in God
A growing love for God
A growing love for others

ACTION: HOW WILL THIS HAPPEN?

Drawing near to God
Pursuing community
Reaching our world

Visit us on Facebook! Search for "Suburban Christian Church" on www.facebook.com

We want to hear from you! Contact us at newsletter@sccvb.org

Operation Christmas Child Corner

The July collection for OCC is crayons, coloring books, and yo-yos. Keep on praying for the children and the ministry. Franklin Graham contacted all the project leaders at the individual churches to say that even with the countries shutting down, the children will need the boxes and the love of God even more this year. Thanks for supporting it. Don't forget that the cost of shipping the boxes is \$9.00 per box. You can donate through Suburban or online directly at samaritanspurse.org. Lynn Cooke



the power of a simple gift

AYM (Ambassador Youth Ministry)



July:

- *Friday, July 10th - Beach Day
- *Friday, July 17th - Game Night
- *Friday, July 24th - Nerf War
- *Friday, July 31st - Hiking Trip

August:

- *Friday, August 9th - Lock-In
- *Friday, August 14th - Camping Trip
- *Friday, August 21st - NO AYM
- *Wednesday, August 26th -
End of Summer Party
- *Friday, August 28th - Adventure Park

AYM is so excited to post our SUMMER SCHEDULE! It's going to look a lot different than our usual summers in the past, but that's not going to stop us from having fun! Check out the list to see what events are coming up. You can sign-up online!

**SIGN UP
TODAY!**

Just for...

Suburban Kids

Whether at a picnic, on the beach or playing outdoors, it seems like we're always joined by uninvited guests – bugs! Bugs and other little creatures are mentioned in the Bible.

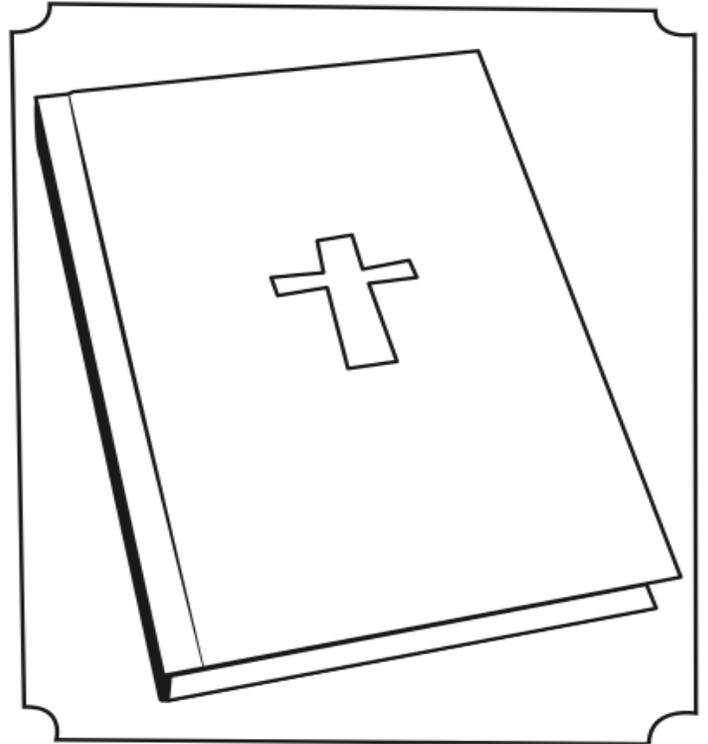


Fill in the blanks with the little creatures mentioned in each verse. Circle them in the puzzle below.

- Proverbs 6:6 _____
- Psalms 78:45 _____
- Matt. 23:24 _____
- Judges 14:8 _____
- Acts 12:23 _____
- Leviticus 11:22 _____
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- Deuteronomy 7:20 _____
- Exodus 16:20 _____
- 1 Sam. 24:14 _____
- Isaiah 50:9 _____
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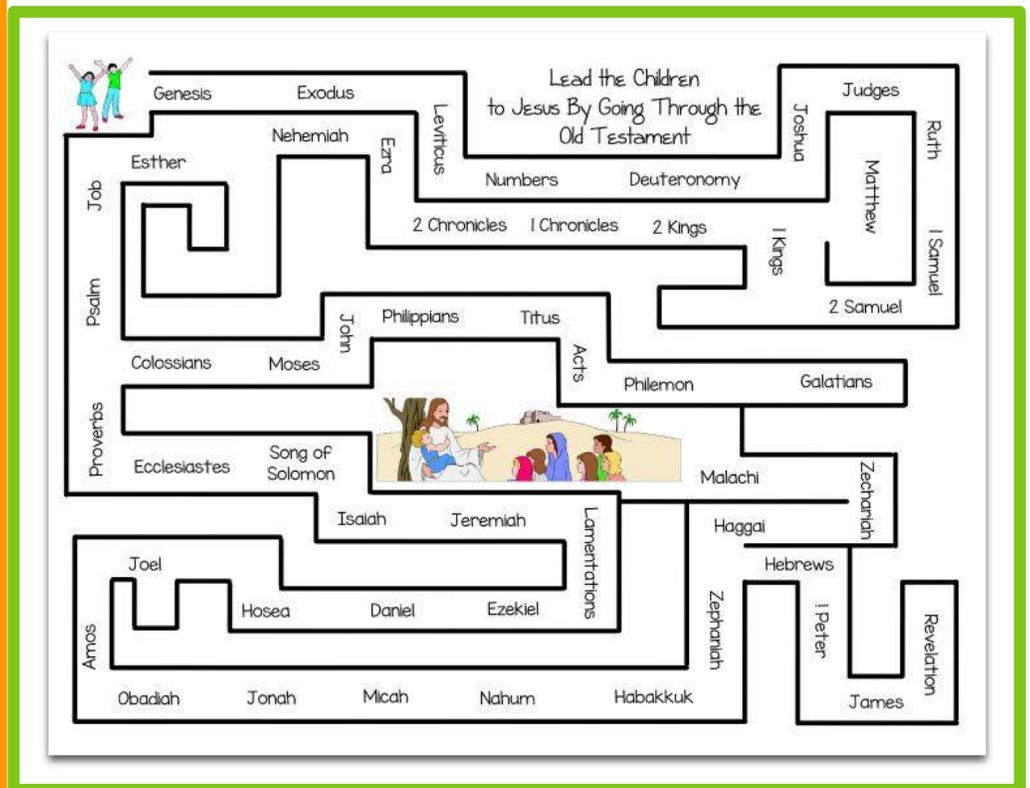
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"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God"
 - John 1:1

How many books are in the Old Testament?

How many books are in the New Testament?



What's Happening In...

Suburban Kids

A YEAR IN SCC AWANA TO REMEMBER!!!

Well, the 2019-2020 AWANA has been one to remember and not just because of COVID-19. We had great memories from September to March. The SCC AWANA club had so much fun with great themes and fun games. Just to let the TNT/Sparks Clubs know, I am adding BIBLE TRIVIA NIGHT as a theme. You all ROCKED in finding verses in the Bible.

The year started with a bang and to be honest I loved every night. I know that I am biased, but I think that SCC AWANA has the best clubbers around. At each club night, the clubbers learned, worked, and challenged each other in the best ways possible. They learned about God's love for them and created friendships which are the two main things an AWANA Club can offer a precious child of God.

I personally want to thank the SCC AWANA Club leaders. SCC AWANA is so blessed with the best leaders!!! I am forever grateful for all their help and their dedication every Sunday night. I have also created so many friends through this ministry!!! They truly are my AWANA OHANA!

Liz Bonnett



We are excited to announce the SBS (Stay-cation Bible School) theme this year is

THE ARMOR OF GOD!

This is your official invitation to join us in learning how

“Jesus’ Power Helps Us Stand Firm!”

July 20th-24th from 6:20-7:00pm each evening

If you'd like us to pack a 'suitcase' for your family adventure please register by emailing Sarah Nelapaty at childrensministry@sccvb.org with the following information:

- The names and ages of each of the children participating from your home.
- Any food allergies we should be aware of (we will be sending snacks home that correspond to the lessons).

We are excited to get to serve you and your children even though we will not be able to meet in person.

Here's how it will work this year:

- We will pack a box 'suitcase' for each family with all the supplies you'll need for the week. The supplies for each day will be bagged separately and labelled for ease of use.
- Every evening at 6:20 we will be waiting on Zoom for you to sign in with your kids (We'll send the email invitation with the login information).
- From 6:20 to 6:30 we will be making sure everyone can see and hear each other and hopefully have time to catch up on what kids have been learning, see the creations they've made in their VBS activities that week and letting them share their 'God sightings'. So, the earlier you arrive on Zoom, the more we can hear from your kids!
- From 6:30 to 7:00 we'll have a song, then go into our lesson for the evening and end with another song.
- We will introduce and explain the craft/activity that we've included in your boxes for that day before we end each evening. Then at your discretion the kids can either work on that after we finish our lesson, or it can be saved to do the following day before our next lesson time.
- For anyone not able to join us live on any evening, we will also be simultaneously recording on Facebook Live, so that video will be available to view at a time convenient to your family. The only thing that will be missing from the Facebook video will be music. In order to avoid copyright infringement, we will not be posting the music portion on the internet.

We're looking forward to joining you on this exciting journey through Ephesians 6:10-18!

