



Sunday, January 14, 2018

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9

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Sunday Worship Service

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If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know we are glad you're here. Please join us in the room next to the foyer for refreshments following the service.

MORNING WORSHIP

Video: “Whiteboard Whole Church”

Welcome & Announcements

Worship in Song: Here I am to Worship

Change My Heart, O God - #654

Our Tithes and Offerings (children from J.K through grade 5 may now go downstairs for their own worship time.)

Choir: We Are Called (Arise, O Church of God)

Video Ted Talk: *Reviewing the Church*

Worship in Song: I'll Tell the World... - #448

Scripture: Luke 19:12-17

Sermon: Why the Church?

Ministry Opportunity Presentation

Closing Hymn: I'd Rather Have Jesus - #506

Benediction

Clip boards with activity sheets are available in the foyer for children to use during the service.

After the service, if you would like to receive prayer for any matter, someone will be at the front of the sanctuary beside the baptistry and will gladly pray with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Sewing in Action will resume this Monday. The next few dates will be January 29, February 12, and February 26. If you have any questions, please speak to Paulette Numekevor.

LIFE Group: Sharing Faith: Life Group for Spring 2018

We often have lots of questions and lots of concerns about sharing our faith. *What does it even mean, anyway? Is the age of evangelism over? What's the difference between evangelism and outreach? How do churches reach out? How can I reach out? What can I say or do? How do I overcome my fears? Isn't this really a job for the Pastor?*

These are just some of the questions that will be addressed in our Life Group over the coming few months. Led by Pastor Mark, we will begin next Friday morning at 10:00 am. in the Johnston Room and continue at that time the first and third Fridays of the month.

Friendship Circle is sponsoring a fund raising Soup and Sandwich Lunch in the gym on Saturday, January 20, from 11:30 am. to 1:30 pm. Funds raised are going towards Roof Repairs. Cost: \$8.00 a person. Please sign up at the Welcome Centre. (There will be no Friendship Circle meeting in January.)

January 21 Greeters: Cliff and Carol Connolly

Church Direction and Pastoral Search Workshop: Please hold the morning of Saturday, March 3, in order to be available for

our next all-church workshop. At this meeting we will be preparing for our pastoral search process by honing church direction and considering what we believe we need in pastoral leadership to take us into the future.

Bylaws Review: At our last business meeting, the church agreed to strike a committee to review our bylaws in order to bring forward recommendations concerning changes to our organizational structure that would be brought to our March business meeting. We are looking for one more church member to participate. If you have an understanding/interest in the way that churches organize themselves for ministry and service, and would like to help ARBC improve its structure and communications, please contact Sue Sullivan soonest. The committee will begin operating this month.



Prayer Corner: Our brother Rev. John Griffiths had an extremely serious fall yesterday and he is now in the Grand River Hospital. We are praying for a miracle for him and peace for him, Rosemary, and the family.

This Week at Avenue Road

Mon.	Jan. 15,	1:00 pm.	Sewing in Action
Tues.	Jan. 16,	9:30 am.	Ladies Take-a-Break
Wed.	Jan. 17	7:00 pm.	Prayer Night
Thurs.	Jan. 18,	7:00 pm.	Youth Group
Thurs.	Jan. 18,	7:15 pm.	Adult Choir
Fri.	Jan. 19,	10:00 am.	LIFE Group
Sat.	Jan 20,	11:30 am.	Fundraiser Lunch