

10:00 Morning Prayer and Praise

Matters for Prayer/Prayer Matters:

- to be bold, discerning, gospel-anchored peacemakers.
- a developing Bible Study at Freeport Middle [MAK!].
- those struggling with addictions and recovery.
- CCF's outreaches, including the Fall Fair, shoeboxes.
- upcoming ministry to a sister church in Turbe, Haiti.

CCF's Unifying Mission is to:

Be and make disciples of Jesus

who love God and others to His glory

- Using our Spirit-given gifts and resources
- Relying on His strength
- Serving with His body, family
- Following Him through His Word

10:45 Politics! Matthew's [God's] Advice with Jesus' Example

Matthew 14:1-14

Matt Smith

Welcome, Guests! We are honored to have you with us. Please let us know how we can be of help. Also, please fill in an information card and put in the offering box.

Children are dismissed to classes after our shared time of worship. We also have a nursery. Infants are welcome in the service. Please be sensitive to the distraction those cute, squirmy ones can be. Thank you.

Let's connect! Visit our website at ccffriends.org and Facebook at [facebook.com/ccffriendssarver](https://www.facebook.com/ccffriendssarver). Pastor Kerry's number is 724-664-9193 [call or text]. Connect via e-mail at kerry.doyal@gmail.com or Facebook.

COMING EQUIPPING AND MINISTRY EVENTS

October 20—Fall Craft Fair at CCF . . . **helpers needed!**

October 31—Halloween ministry in Freeport

November 12 to 16—Kerry and Robin deliver supplies to Turbe, Haiti

November 18—Brian and Sarah Bennetch visit CCF

December—blessing bags and caroling

2018 BIBLE READ THROUGH

October 15, 16, 18

Psalm 120, 121, 122

October 17

Ephesians 3:11-21

October 19

Matthew 14:13-27

YOUTH—MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLERS [7 TO 8:30 P.M.]

- October 17—**play, pray, and stud-ay!**
- October 20—**helping at the Fall Fair**
- October 31—**Halloween ministry in Freeport**

HOPE4GIRLS

Hope4Girls will meet on Wednesday, October 17, at 7 p.m. Continue to look for emails from Ann Alvarez for any updates.

PACKING PARTY

Hope4Girls will be holding a **packing party** on Sunday, October 28, immediately following the morning service. A light lunch will be provided. If you would assist us in putting together kits for the girls of Haiti, you are invited to join us. Contacts—Ann Alvarez and Diane Bartholic.

MEN'S SATURDAY AM BIBLE STUDY

Guys . . . join us for fellowship and growth in the Lord on Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m., here. Upcoming dates—October 27, November 3 and 10, and December 8 and 15. Contact—Zak Kennedy.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Bring snacks and a favorite game to our next Family Game Night on Friday evening, October 26. Contact—Zak Kennedy.

MINISTRY SKILLS 101

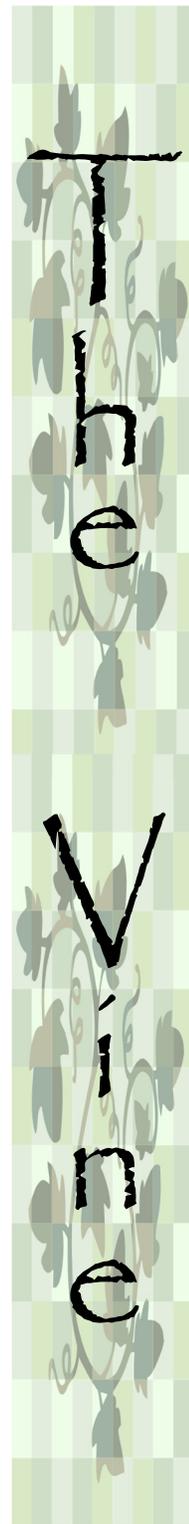
Due to some health issues, we are rescheduling the November **Ministry Skills 101** with Pastor Bud Smith. A new date is to be determined. Please pray for Bud and Peg.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY!

Will you volunteer to assist in keeping our facility clean? Check the sign-up sheet or speak with Diane Bartholic about your participation.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling
to which you have been called,
. . . eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit
in the bond of peace.

[Ephesians 4:1 and 3 ESV]



POLITICS! MATTHEW'S [GOD'S] ADVICE WITH JESUS' EXAMPLE

From Webster's Dictionary (Second College Edition)—

Politics (noun):

The science and art of political government

Factional scheming for power and status within a group

- Be careful not just WHO you associate with, but HOW and WHY you associate with them. Matthew 14:9, Matthew 9:10-13, Luke 5:30, Luke 15:2, Luke 19:7
- Thoughtful silence, or “alone time” might be correct reactions to a politically charged time or atmosphere. Matthew 14:13, Matthew 27:14, Matthew 7:6
- Don't retreat permanently. Matthew 14:14, Romans 13:1-7, Titus 3:1-11, 1 Peter 2:13-17

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POLITICS!

MATTHEW'S [GOD'S] ADVICE WITH JESUS' EXAMPLE

¹⁴ At that time Herod the tetrarch heard the reports about Jesus, ² and he said to his attendants, “This is John the Baptist; he has risen from the dead! That is why miraculous powers are at work in him.”

³ Now Herod had arrested John and bound him and put him in prison because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, ⁴ for John had been saying to him: “It is not lawful for you to have her.” ⁵ Herod wanted to kill John, but he was afraid of the people, because they considered John a prophet.

⁶ On Herod's birthday the daughter of Herodias danced for the guests and pleased Herod so much ⁷ that he promised with an oath to give her whatever she asked. ⁸ Prompted by her mother, she said, “Give me here on a platter the head of John the Baptist.” ⁹ The king was distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he ordered that her request be granted ¹⁰ and had John beheaded in the prison. ¹¹ His head was brought in on a platter and given to the girl, who carried it to her mother. ¹² John's disciples came and took his body and buried it. Then they went and told Jesus.

¹³ When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

(Matthew 14:1-14 –NIV)