

# Coldwater Church of Christ

Welcome visitors and members! April 28, 2019

Next potluck May 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Genesis 42-43, 45-46: Joseph Forgives

Count each set and write the number. Then draw lines connecting the sets of the same number.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Joseph forgave his family. He showed love for them by giving them what they needed. God helps us show His love to others. The Bible says, "Love one another" (John 13:34).

**BONUS IDEA!**

Count the items in the sets above to complete these number sentences.

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Big Book of Bible Puzzles for Early Childhood 49

Today's Sermon..... 1 Thess 4: 9-12 What Love Looks Like

Next Week's Sermon ... 1 Thess 5:1-11 When Will Jesus Come?

Wednesday Night..... Ben Parables

Wednesday Ladies' Class...Life of Jesus

Sun. Adult Bible Class..... Video series: Jericho: City of Rahab

Sun. Night.....

Service Times - Sunday:

Cancelled

Bible Class.....10:00 a.m.

Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

Dave, Loretta, Ben, Karen and Cindy attended the Camp Indogan Spring Dinner last night. It was a great meal and a great time. Consider joining us next year!

Huey had some more issues with blood sugar but is feeling better. Cathleen, however, is in Cameron Hospital with pneumonia. She believes she'll be able to come home today. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

We are saddened by the death of past member Marilyn Fitts. The funeral will be Monday at 2:00 at the Lighthouse Funeral Home in Tekonsha.

Our commodity item for Schultz Lewis Child and Family Services is snack foods (cookies, chips, granola bars, etc.). Pickup is the week of July 21<sup>st</sup>. Please bring in your items and place them on the table in the front of the auditorium.

We will also be making 2 baskets which will be auctioned off at the Schultz Lewis Annual Day. Our themes are "chef" (think spices, potholders, kitchen gadgets, etc.) and "gardening" (think seed packets, trowels, gloves, etc.). Bring in items that relate to these themes and they'll be placed in baskets which will be picked up with the commodities. Thanks!

The camp Spring Rally is May 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>. See the camp website for more info. Kids, you can bring a first-time camper friend for free. There are applications on the back table.

The May potluck on the 19<sup>th</sup> will be our annual "Mother's Day Potluck" with the men serving the ladies. Men, be thinking about what you'll be making.

Ladies.... Ladies' Day is next Saturday! Registration begins at 10:30!

Our Budget: 2019

Weekly \$817

### **Upcoming Events: Mark your calendar**

Ladies' Life Talks – Tammie's House – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

Ladies' Day – May 4<sup>th</sup>

Spring Rally at Camp – May 10-12<sup>th</sup>

Mother's Day Potluck – Men serve – May 19<sup>th</sup>

June 8-10<sup>th</sup> – Gospel Meeting here – Brad Harrub

### **\*\*\*Prayer List\*\*\***

Our kids!

Family of Marilyn Fitts - her passing

Joyce – back pain

Linda Morris' son - cancer

Jamie Ann –Shirley's neice – cancer

Carol Brown – Linda's sister – heart issues

Loretta's brother Bob – treatment for cancer

Cathleen – pneumonia

Huey – recovering from low blood sugar

Barb Langley – healing

Marvin Keifer

Edna Stein

Wendi Baker - asthma

Shirley Ware

### **TV BIBLE STUDIES:**

*Getting to Know Your Bible – on Charter*

*In Search of the Lord's Way – Charter-7:30 am-*

*Sunday-channel 357*

**Website:** [coldwatercoc.com](http://coldwatercoc.com)

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### **Steps of Salvation:**

Hear: Romans 10:14, 17      Believe: Acts 16:31

Repent: Acts 2:38              Confess: Acts 8:36-37

Baptism: Acts 2:38              Faithful: Matthew 7:21

**Our Elders:** Dave Sherfield 517-677-2789

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## **Our Stand-In**

Bryson Smith recalls reading an article about movie stand-ins. They're the people who replace movie stars in scenes that are dangerous or just uncomfortable. An example is Glenn Duhigg, an ex-lawyer who worked as the stand-in for Tom Cruise in *Mission Impossible 2*. Glenn reckoned, "It sounds very glamorous saying you're the stand-in for Tom Cruise, but I don't think many people realize the long hours and constant demands that deflate your ego very quickly.

The days are long. Whatever scene Tom was in, I would be the one standing there, being him sometimes for ages as the crew set up the shot – getting the lighting just right and the props just so. I'd be standing there for hours out in the weather, getting drenched in the rain or sun stroke out in the heat. And then Tom would just walk on the set from his air-conditioned caravan or out of his beautiful sports car once the scene was ready." As one of the other stand-ins said, "I realized very quickly the difference between being a star and being a stand-in." \*

We all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23). Because of our sins, we deserve sin's punishment: "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). Imagine being convicted of a capital crime in the 1st Century in the Roman Empire and being sentenced to death by crucifixion. The criminal would be nailed to a wooden cross through his wrists and his feet. The cross would be dropped into a hole so that the victim would literally hang on that cross in utter agony until death, usually by asphyxiation because he would be unable to push and pull against the nails in his hands and feet in order to exhale. This is what we deserve because of our sins.

This is exactly what Jesus, the Son of God, did for us. He died, not for His own sins, but for the sins of the world, for your sins and for mine (1 John 2:2). He did this because He loves us and in order to save us, for only He – the sinless Son of God – could pay the price for our redemption (Ephesians 1:7).

"For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit" (1 Peter 3:18). On the cross, Jesus Christ was our stand-in. He endured the pain and the punishment from God, all in our place. He suffered the full wrath of God against sin on our behalf so that we can be saved and receive the gift of eternal life. Then, having died for our sins and being buried, He victoriously arose again on the third day, defeating Satan and death (Hebrews 2:14-18).

God will save and give eternal life to those who place their **faith** and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), **confess** Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are **baptized** (immersed) into Christ for the **forgiveness** of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7-9).

Jesus, the sinless Son of God, the King of kings and Lord of lords, was our stand-in. He died in our place so that we might live. "He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by His wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24).