

Child-Like Faith

In 1986, Robert Fulghum published a book titled *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*. In this text, Fulghum lists some of the lessons commonly taught in kindergarten and discusses the deep truths they contain. In addition to naming these lessons, he describes how adults would be wise to remember these concepts and incorporate them into their daily lives.

Some of these key lessons from kindergarten are:

Share everything.

Play fair.

Don't hit people.

Put things back where you found them.

CLEAN UP YOUR OWN MESS.

Don't take things that aren't yours.

Say you're SORRY when you HURT somebody.

Wash your hands before you eat.

Flush.

Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.



In reviewing this list of essential life skills, I think Fulghum is on to something. As we grow and mature, we have the tendency to complicate things and forget the foundational truths of life. I think we tend to do this when it comes to spiritual truths as well. As we grow and mature, we sometimes complicate faith. Our relationship with God can become more difficult because we've forgotten the foundational truths of faith. Perhaps we would be better served if we looked back at some of these foundational spiritual truths we learned as young children.

I have fond memories of my pre-school and kindergarten Sunday School classes. My memories aren't super specific, but I remember the love of Miss Sylvia, Miss Dixie, and Miss Fran and the spirit with which they taught us. They taught lessons like: Jesus loves you, you have a purpose, and "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus teaches his disciples that instead of trying to become more like the spiritual leaders of the faith, they would do better to learn the lessons from the children gathering around him. He says: *"Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."* Matthew 18:3

Beginning this Sunday, August 4, we are going to spend a few weeks looking at some of those lessons we teach our children and remind ourselves of the important, even if simple, truths inherent in these lessons. I invite you to join me for the next four weeks as we seek to recover our Child-Like Faith.

Blessings,

Chris

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Services 8 & 10:00 am Women's Group 5:30-7 pm	5	6	7 Be an Angel 10 am Yoga 6:15	8	9	10
11 Services 8 & 10:00 Women's Group 5:30-7 Walk at Mason School 7:00 pm	12	13 Association Meeting 7:30	14	15	16	17
18 Services 8 & 10:00 am	19	20	21 Be an Angel 10 am Yoga 6:15	22 Hillcrest Gala 6:00 pm	23	24
25 Services 8 & 10:00 am	26	27	28	29	30	31

Prayer Walk for Mason Elementary

Sunday, August 11, 7:00 pm
Mason Front Parking Lot

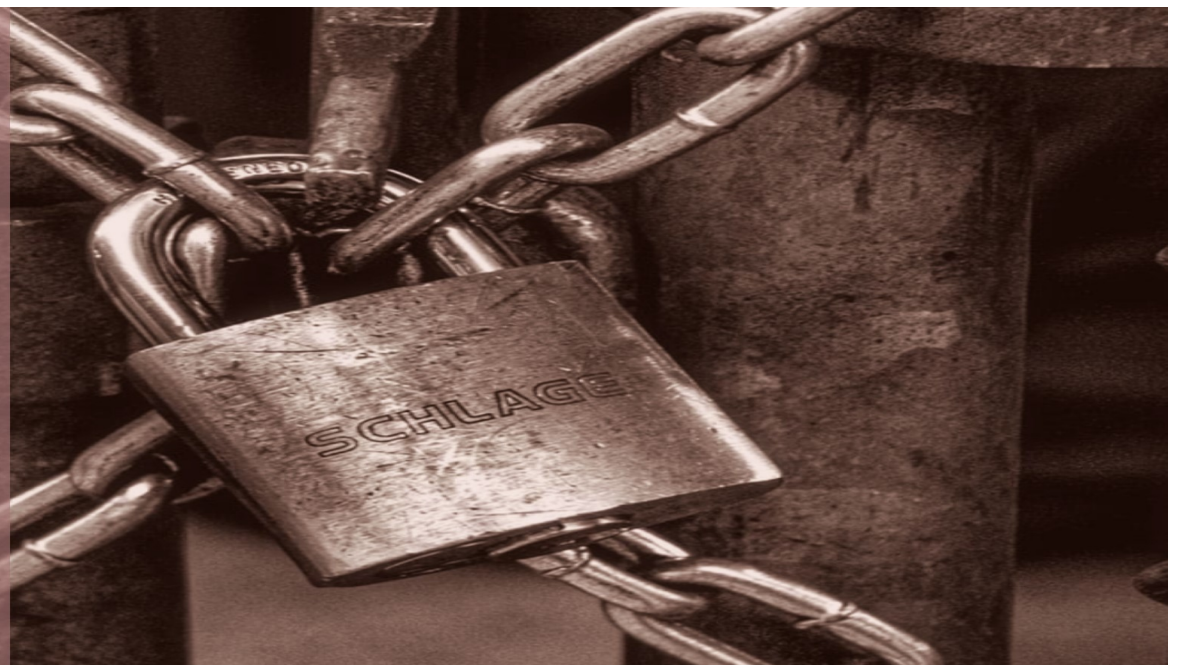
Join us as we pray a blessing over the students, staff, and faculty of Mason for the upcoming school year.

Hosted by the Lake Lotawana Community UMC

UNLOCKING REVELATION

A MEN'S SMALL GROUP
STUDY BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 5

CONTACT CHRIS
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FOR MORE INFO





Don't forget to join us Wednesday at our last Tarsney Lake lunch at 12:00. We will be handing out 11 gift cards to the kids to get all their school supplies and having a traditional picnic!



HILLCREST
2019 GALA
HILLCREST TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
19TH ANNUAL GALA & AUCTION

Thursday, August 22nd, 2019 at Arrowhead Stadium

**Silent Auction & Cocktails 6:00 p.m. &
Dinner & Program 7:00 p.m.
Dessert & Entertainment 8:00 p.m.
Business Attire Requested**

Anyone interested in supporting Hillcrest by attending the gala with other LLCUMC members, please contact Alice at acfuerst@netscape.net before July 31.

2019 RECYCLING EXTRAVAGANZA



Lake Lotawana Community United Methodist Church
Gate 1 and Colbern Road

SAT SEPT 7th 9:00 AM - Noon

SAVE

Electronics - Clothing - Household Goods & MORE

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Visit our website: llcumc.org for complete list

DATE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Contact Alice Fuerst



Mason Prayer Team Members Needed

We are looking for 55 volunteers to commit to praying for a member of the Mason Elementary staff or faculty each day of the upcoming school year.

If you'd like to participate in this ministry, please contact Pastor Chris at chrissnyder@gmail.com or 816-578-4544.



Alex	Karin (Speitzer)
Les Case	Al Krashow
Sandy Case	The Leven Family
Donna Casey	Liam
Dionte	Don McGowan
Janet Ford	Don Raymond
Winnie Fuerst	Steve Raymond
John Hatfield	Nancy Rowe
Michael Hatfield	Larry Sparks
Chuck Holland	Cole Von Ohlen
	Dorothy Wilson & Family

Congregation
de Mellier
Heart and Soul
Children's
Learning Center
All Ministries
of the Church

Evening Small Groups @ LLCUMC

For Women

IT'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE THIS WAY

WOMEN'S DVD BIBLE
STUDY BY LYSA
TERKEURST

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN GOD'S
TIMING SEEMS QUESTIONABLE, HIS
LACK OF INTERVENTION HURTFUL,
AND HIS PROMISES DOUBTFUL?

6 WEEKS, BEGINNING JULY 7
5:30-7:00 P.M.
LLCUMC SANCTUARY

Contact Sara at ssstephenson.snyder@gmail.com

For Men

First and third Thursdays
@ 7:00 P.M.

Come and Experience the Living Word

Bible Study

Contact Pastor Chris at chrisksnnyder@gmail.com

For Couples

On hiatus for the summer; will resume meeting this fall

Contact Wayne at w.rogers63@yahoo.com

Small Groups provide the opportunity to connect with others
in a casual study/discussion environment as you strive
to deepen and enrich your walk with God

We Invite You to Attend!