

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

MORNING SERVICES • 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM ORCHESTRA / CHOIR • WORSHIP CENTER
 • 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM – WORSHIP BAND • LIVE & LOUD

NORTHWEST KIDS • ALL SERVICE TIMES • KID'S CHECK-IN

SPECIAL NEEDS AVAILABLE • 9:30 AM & 11 AM • ROOM 108

HIGH SCHOOL & JR. HIGH • 9:30 AM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

THE WORD CLASS • 9:30 AM • ROOM 109

COLLEGE (AGES 18-28) • 6:00 PM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

MONDAY

DIVORCE CARE • 6:30 PM • ROOM 206

GRIEF SHARE • 6:30 PM • ROOM 115

PRAYER TEAM • 12:00 PM • PRAYER ROOM • WORSHIP CENTER

TUESDAY

GLORYLAND BAND (REHEARSAL) • 6:00 PM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

SPIRIT CHOIR (REHEARSAL) • 7:00 PM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

WEDNESDAY

JR. HIGH SCHOOL • 6:30 PM • STUDENT MINISTRY BUILDING

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KID VENTURE (PRE-K - 3RD) • 6:30 PM • KID'S CHECK-IN

ACTIVATE (4TH - 6TH) • 6:30 PM • KID'S CHECK-IN

THURSDAY

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY • 6:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD

EARLY BIRDS (WOMEN) • 7:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY • 10:00 AM • LIVE & LOUD (G101)

CELEBRATE RECOVERY (FOR ALL WHO HAVE HURTS, HANG-UPS & HABITS)
 • 5:30 PM DINNER • 6:30 PM WORSHIP • 7:30 PM SHARE
 GROUPS • 8:30 PM DESSERT • LIVE & LOUD

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (SERMON BASED) • 6:48 PM • RM 203C

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRAY FIRST • SATURDAYS • 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM • WORSHIP CENTER

COMEDY NIGHT • 03/01/19 • 6:30 PM • LIVE & LOUD

Giving Summary from 01/28/19 - 02/03/19

	Last Week	Year to Date*
Budget Needs	\$ 37,000	\$ 1,480,000
Tithes & Offerings	\$ 39,000	\$ 1,499,000
Difference**	+ \$ 2,000	+ \$ 19,000

*Fiscal Year begins May 1 **Includes miscellaneous gifts



02.10.19 | PASTOR WILL STOLL

ADDRESSING THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM (PV. 17:17)

• GRACE IS YOUR BEING ON THE SIDE OF, OR "FOR," THE OTHER PERSON AND THE RELATIONSHIP.

• TRUTH IS THE REALITY OF WHATEVER YOU NEED TO SAY ABOUT THE PROBLEM. (PHIL. 4:6)

WHY ARE DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS SO HARD?

- H EAVY CONSEQUENCES.

- E LEVATED EMOTIONS.

- L ACK OF SKILLS.

- P ERSPECTIVES ARE DIFFERENT.

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFICULT CONVERSATION WORSE

- W ISECRACTING (PV. 26:18-19)

- O PPOSING

- R IDICULING (PV. 12:18)

- S CORNING

- E XITING (PV. 17:17)

PREP FOR PEACE

- P EG THE PROBLEM.

- R EEL IN YOUR EMOTIONS. (PV. 4:23; PV. 12:18; PV. 15:18; COL. 3:8)

- E ND RESULT. (PV 21:5)

- P RACTICE THE CONVERSATION. (PV.18:21)

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JUST DO IT!

- **D ECLARE** THE RELATIONSHIP. (PV. 15:1)
- **O UTCOME** RESULT. (PV 25:15)
- **I SSUE** SURGERY. (PV. 20:5; JM. 1:19; PV. 12:16; LK. 6:37)
- **T ALK** THROUGH SOLUTIONS. (PHIL. 2:4)

LIFE GROUP NOTES

FOR STARTERS:

WHAT PET PEEVE DO YOU HAVE? HAS THIS PET PEEVE EVER HURT YOUR RELATIONSHIPS? HOW?

QUICK REVIEW:

THIS WEEK WE CONTINUED IN OUR SERIES THE ELEPHANT IN THE FAMILY ROOM. ON SUNDAY, PASTOR WILL SPOKE ON THE ELEPHANT OF "HAVING A DIFFICULT CONVERSATION. LET'S HAVE A DIALOGUE TOGETHER ABOUT HOW TO ADDRESS THIS ELEPHANT.

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. CAN YOU RECALL A TIME WHEN YOU NEEDED TO HAVE AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION WITH SOMEONE BUT YOU WERE HESITANT TO HAVE IT? WHO WAS THE CONVERSATION WITH AND WHAT HAPPENED?
 - A. WHAT MADE THE ISSUE IMPORTANT TO YOU?
 - B. WHAT EMOTIONS DID YOU EXPERIENCE BEHIND THAT CONVERSATION?
 - C. WHY DO YOU THINK THOSE EMOTIONS CAME UP FOR YOU?
2. WHY MIGHT PRAYER BE SO IMPORTANT BEFORE YOU HAVE A HARD CONVERSATION? READ PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7.
 - A. WHAT IS PAUL ADVISING CHRISTIANS TO DO INSTEAD OF WORRYING IN THIS PASSAGE?
 - B. WHY WOULD PRAYER HELP A BELIEVER ENJOY THE PEACE OF GOD ACCORDING TO THIS PASSAGE?
 - C. HOW MIGHT YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS BE AFFECTED IF YOU WERE MORE THANKFUL, JOYFUL OR GENTLE?
3. OUR SPEECH IS VERY IMPORTANT. READ PROVERBS 18:21 TOGETHER.
 - A. WHAT POWER DOES THE TONGUE POSSESS ACCORDING TO THIS PROVERB?
 - B. WHAT CAN WE DO TO PUT A REIN ON OUR TONGUE?
 - C. HOW CAN YOU USE YOUR SPEECH TO HELP OR ENCOURAGE SOMEONE TODAY?

4. HERE ARE SEVEN STEPS THAT YOU CAN TAKE TO SUCCESSFULLY HAVE A DIFFICULT CONVERSATION. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO OVER THESE STEPS TOGETHER AS A GROUP.
 1. NAME THE IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT YOU NEED TO DISCUSS. WHY DOES THIS MATTER TO YOU?
 2. WHAT EMOTIONS DO YOU EXPERIENCE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THIS ISSUE? WHERE DO YOU THINK THESE EMOTIONS ARE COMING FROM?
 3. TRY TO REMOVE THE INTENSITY OF THE EMOTIONS YOU'RE FEELING. IT'S HELPFUL TO IDENTIFY SOMEONE YOU CAN VENT TO. IT IS ALSO HELPFUL TO WRITE YOUR FEELINGS DOWN AND GET THEM OUT.
 4. BEFORE HAVING THE CONVERSATION, WRITE OUT WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO THE OTHER PERSON. ASK A TRUSTED FRIEND TO REVIEW WHAT YOU'VE WRITTEN.
 5. DECIDE WHAT YOU WANT THE OUTCOME TO BE OF THIS DIFFICULT CONVERSATION.
 6. AFFIRM THE RELATIONSHIP YOU'RE IN WITH THE PERSON YOU'RE WANTING TO CONFRONT.
 7. LASTLY, FIND A SAFE PLACE WHERE YOU CAN HAVE A HEALTHY DIALOGUE WITH THE PERSON YOU NEED TO TALK TO AND TAKE ACTION.
5. WHICH ONE OF THE PREVIOUS STEPS SEEM MOST HELPFUL TO YOU? WHY? WHICH ONE OF THE STEPS ABOVE SEEM MOST DIFFICULT OR SCARY TO YOU? WHY?

FOR PRAYER:

TAKING ACTION BASED ON THIS SERMON, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING A DIFFICULT CONVERSATION WITH SOMEONE IN THE FUTURE? PRAY WITH YOUR GROUP ABOUT TAKING ACTION THIS WEEK.

ARE YOU HAVING A MAJOR LIFE EVENT?

- **HAVING A BABY**
- **ILLNESS**
- **INJURY**
- **JOB LOSS**
- **DEATH**
- **GETTING MARRIED**

We want to encourage you, pray for you, care for you, and reach out in support.

**CONTACT OUR CARE PASTOR TODAY:
(599) 931-1963**

FOR COUNSELING

- **MARRIAGE PROBLEMS**
- **FAMILY ISSUES**

Marriage & Family Therapists, Pastoral Counselors, Clinical Social Workers.

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