# Wellspring

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Community of One Ephesians 2:11-22

# Belonging

# October 11, 2020

Live Streamed at 11:10 a.m.

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What do you "belong" to...a political party, a church, a school alumnus, a sewing group, a family, a biker's club, a bowling team, etc.? Belonging is something we all long for. In fact, we are designed to be connected to others. We need each other – we need belonging.

Ironically, belonging begins with the individual. True belonging requires us to believe in and belong to ourselves so fully that we can find sacredness both in being a part of something and in standing alone as a loved child of God. That is not always easy in a culture that is rife with perfectionism and pleasing, with an "Us vs. Them" mindset, and in many ways an erosion of civility. Now more than ever, we need to realize we are loved by Jesus and it is Christ's love that leads us into meaningful relationship of belonging.

Be a part of the *Belonging* series and discover the daily practices that lead to a greater love of Jesus and deeper connections with others. We will identify obstacles to belonging and the biblical practices to overcome these obstacles, all the while discovering a more authentic self. Know that you belong to God and you are loved!

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# **BLOOD DRIVE**

# SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 25TH 8:00 TO 12:30 CHURCH STREET AUDITORIUM MASKS MANDATORY

# **REGISTER HERE:**

https://ww2.greatpartners.org/donor/schedules/dr ive\_schedule/106822

# Faith In Action

## VITAL CONVERSATIONS SMALL GROUP

Tuesday. October 13th at 10:00am or 7:00pm via Zoom

email FaithInActionMcKinney@gmail.com to sign up

Watch a Vital Conversations video series produced by the United Methodist Church General Commission on Religion & Race and engage in a small group discussion after.

Vital Conversations takes place monthly online via Zoom on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:00am and 7:00pm; choose the time that works for you. All are welcome!

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Third Grade

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BIBLE BLASTERS Sunday, October 18 6:00 pm parking lot at church.

Sign up here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4CA8AD2 ¥ FA02-3rdgrade3

**BRING YOUR BIBLE** 

# **Community of One: Belonging**

#### Consider the following questions:

- 1. What types of people or groups do you find it hard to support, or belong to? Why?
- 2. Are there any groups of people that you lump into one category and possibly place judgment on (i.e. republicans, democrats, feminist, foreigners, immigrants, males, females, etc.)?
- 3. Read Ephesians 2:11-22
- 4. What are your first thoughts after reading this Scripture?
- 5. What is Christ described as doing in these verses?
- 6. Christ's redemption brings peace and unity to God's household. As a child of God where could you help bring peace and unity?
- 7. Read verse 21. What happens when we belong to each other and are joined together in Christ?
- 8. Read verse 22. How is Christ building you into a place where God lives?
- 9. Spend time in prayer.

#### **Sermon Notes**



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## PRAYER REQUESTS



#### **IN OUR PRAYERS**

† Vancie Hamm and Marion Spurgin, on the loss of their brother, and Vicki Blackmon -Davis on the loss of her father Warren Blackmon

- Alicia Bankert
- Bill Bunting
- BJ Correu
- Bruce Cochrane
- Carl and Margaret Edwards
- Charles (Charlie) F. Smith and Mary Beth Smith
- Charles Matheny (Carol Grimes' cousin)
- Charles Whatley
- Craig Edwards
- David Franck
- Debra Duffy
- Doug Wilson
- Gaither Day
- Geoffrey Ammeter
- Grant Pollard
- Harold and Jan Richardson
- Jan O'Reilly
- Jeremy Michaels
- John Lyle
- John Nicks
- Jon Day
- Judy Cox
- Lawrence Lowe
- Lee Elam
- Lorraine Brown
- Mary Purtle
- Mary Tuggle
- Rosie Manus
- Stachia Hicks
- Tina Cristino
- Tom Murph
- Vi Rentz
- Wyatt Skaines

- Rev. David and Cindy Ceballos, Missionaries in Panama
- Chad & Nancy Bradley, Missionaries in Ethiopia
- All our members in care facilities
- Everyone affected by the Coronavirus
- Families experiencing job loss
- Those experiencing homelessness
- Grace Children's Hospital in Haiti
  - Melissa United Methodist Church
  - Caldwell Elementary School
  - Military service members including: Capt Scott Adler, Capt Libby Adler, Sofia Lerma Alarcon, 1st Lt Joe Beeby, Marc Belo, CPL Matthew Broker, CTI2 Abigail Burns, CPT Aaron Bush, CPL Bradley Bush, AFC Drew Causey, 2nd Lt Vincent Chavez, Capt Ryan Clark, PFC Paul Confalone, Sgt Martin Damian DeLeon, GY Sgt Jim Ellsworth, Kevin English, Patrick English, James Evans, Lt Col David Faulk, PFC Codv Furstenberg, Charlie Gilbert, LC CPL Robert Gray, ETN2 Cory Halberstadt, CPT Josh Hewett, Pvt John Wesley Holder Jr., LT Mark Jbeily, Lt Col Jim Johnston, Ryan Kidd, Avery Montana Krast, Lt Ryan Lubin, Alec Mack, Lt Logan McQuerry, Maj. Richard Milam, Chap MAJ Tim Shepherd, Maj Chuck Miller, AFC Kevin G. Persons, Jr., MSGT, SFC Tyler Renshaw, 2nd Lt. Austin Rine, Bobby Sanders, SR4 Nick Schofield, Colby Seamster II, Jonathan Spiegal, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier, CPL Mike Wilkes, Jose Almaguer, SPC Blake Robertson.