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small things

BIG DIFFERENCE

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2021 GIVING



Matthew 13:31-32

January 3, 2021

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We all have big hearts and want to live generous lives, but there is often a seemingly infinite gap between our intentions and our actions. We often think, "If we only had more resources we could give more." Maybe making a big difference has a lot to do with the little things. That is the idea behind our series *Small Things, Big Difference*.

Small Things, Big Difference is a commitment to making small, manageable, incremental acts of generosity and watching how the changes really add up. Intentional God-focused actions will make a big difference in your life and others. Small things in the hands of an almighty God can be used to change the world!

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. If you are new, please feel free to ask questions, be yourself, get connected, and let us know if there is anything we can do to make your experience most memorable.

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Altar Flowers

If you would like to purchase flowers for the altar in honor or memory of someone, there are dates available for 2021.

Cost is \$50

Please email Monica for more information.

monica@sharingtheheart.org



Active-duty military, veterans, and their families, please join us for

Military & Veterans Prayer Fellowship

SOCIAL VISIT!
Let's stay in touch and check in about any concerns!

Meetings at 10am via Zoom
Second Wednesday of the Month

For Zoom link and more information on the Military & Veterans Prayer Fellowship, contact:

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

OUR CHURCH WORKS WITH SEVERAL GROUPS HELPING WITH THE NEEDS OF THOSE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO WORK AT THE EMERGENCY WARMING STATION SO THAT IT CAN OPEN IN BAD WEATHER.

WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO PROVIDE HOT MEALS.

COVID PROTOCOLS IN PLACE.

EMAIL VELVET HAMMOND AT VELVET.NATIONAL1@GMAIL.COM OR CALL OR TEXT 214-726-6484. ALL QUESTIONS ARE WELCOME!

WE PROVIDE THE MEAL EVERY 2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH AT ROADSIDE CHURCH WHICH ALSO SERVES THOSE IN NEED. SIGN UP AT: WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/10C094AA9A829A B9-ROADSIDE.

RESCHEDULED! COMEDY SHOW & SPRING SEMESTER KICK OFF

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

6TH GRADE CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION 4-5 PM

COMEDY SHOW 5-6 PM

7TH-12TH GRADE PARENT MEETING 6-7 PM

Join us on the 24th for our Rescheduled Spring Semester Kick-Off and Comedy Show. We will gather under the pavilion behind the Hub for a great (socially distanced) evening of laughter, games, and information. Come find out what your Youth Ministries are up to this spring and summer!

Confirmation Orientation for 6th grades is at 4 PM, the Comedy Show begins at 5 PM, and there is a parent and youth meeting for 7th - 12th graders at 6 PM.

Small Things, Big Difference: The Mustard Seed

Today's scripture: Matthew 13:31-32 Sermon Notes

As we begin a new series on generosity, consider these thoughts and questions:

As a church and as individuals we want to be defined by our generosity. When God created humankind, God designed us to be generous. God created us with the willingness to give – to God and to others. Yet there are two “voices” (fear and self-gratification) that wage war against our God-given impulse toward generosity.

Fear tells us, “If you give, there may not be enough left over for you.” We are afraid to be generous because we are worried about what might happen to us if we do not have enough for ourselves. This fear is often perpetuated by the second “voice” of self-gratification, which tells us, “If you give, you won’t have enough money to buy the stuff you need to be happy.” Our culture tells us that our lives consist in the abundance of our possessions and pleasurable experiences.

1. What fears do you have that keep you from being more generous?
2. What possessions or experiences do you think will bring you greater happiness?

So, how do we defeat the voices of fear and self-gratification? In a sense, they are defeated the moment we put our faith in Jesus Christ. When we give our lives to Christ, invite him to be Lord, and allow the Holy Spirit to begin changing us from the inside out, we find that our fears begin to dissipate and our aim in life shifts from seeking personal pleasure to pleasing God and caring for others.

1. In what ways do you wrestle with the two voices, and how can you place Christ at the center of your struggle?
2. In what areas of your life would you like to be more generous?
3. Spend time in prayer asking for God’s direction and strength to take action in being more generous in these areas so God may be glorified in all things.



“Like” our Facebook page and be sure to check-in online! For every new “like” and “check-in” we receive, we will provide three meals to hungry kids!

That’s right! Your simple check-in helps spread the word about Wellspring and feeds kids. This is a simple click of the button that can have a big impact. Scan the QR code with your smart phone camera to be taken to our Facebook page.

KEEP IN TOUCH

For the latest news and events, view or subscribe to the weekly church email newsletter, "The Echo," at SharingtheHeart.org/Newsletter.



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TEXT TO GIVE

Text **FIRSTUMC** to **73256** to make your tithes and offerings by text.
Standard text messaging rates may apply

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PRAYER REQUESTS



IN OUR PRAYERS

- † Mitch Bird and family on the passing of his mother Judy Bird
- † Ruth Hendricks and family on the passing of her son Steve Hendricks
- † Kelly Garza and family on the passing of her Aunt Linda Hamilton
- † Jason Oakry and family on the passing of his mother Barbara Oakry
- † Kathy Manley and family on the passing of her mother Mary Prevedel
- † Kenneth (Josiah) McDowell and family on the passing of his father Joseph McDowell
- † For the family of Jill Madry
 - BJ Correu
 - Bruce Cochran
 - Carl and Margaret Edwards
 - Chad Williamson
 - Charles (Charlie) F. Smith and Mary Beth Smith
 - Charles Matheny (Carol Grimes' cousin)
 - Chris Yoehle
 - Craig Edwards
 - David Franck
 - Debby McDonald
 - Debra Duffy
 - Donna C.
 - Earl C.
 - Eric Reynolds
 - Fran Kimball
 - Gaither Day
 - Geoffrey Ammeter
 - Gina Luna
 - Greg Seabaugh
 - Jac Schuster
 - Jack Walsh
 - Jackie Payne
 - Jan O'Reilly
 - Jean Carter
 - Jeannine H.
 - Jeremy Michaels
 - Joe W.
 - John Lyle
 - John Nicks
 - Jon Day
 - Judy Cox
 - Kathy Keith
 - Karen Fitzgerald
 - Kenneth (Josiah) McDowell
 - Krista Pollard, Gary and Jan Pollard
 - Lauren Eubanks
 - Lawrence Lowe
 - Lee Elam

- Lorraine Brown
- Marion Morgan
- Mary Purtle
- Mary Tuggle
- Mike Quinn
- Noah Foster
- Norman Dotson
- Pat Anderson
- Peggy Francis
- Ron Wiese
- Rosie Manus
- Sharon Aubuchon
- Shirley Gilmore
- Stachia Hicks
- Stephanie Kircher
- Tim Craig
- Tina Cristino
- Tom Farmer
- Tom Murph
- Vi Rentz
- Wyatt Skaines
- Zach Williams
- 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, CT12 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 Cody 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 Spiegel, CW2 Ryan Thurgood, Mark Townson, Specialist Zach Vernier, CPL Mike Wilkes, Jose Almaguer, SPC Blake Robertson.