### 13 September 2020

# The Mount Weekly

#### Worship – "Who do you say I am?"

Today, we're beginning a new sermon series and we're calling it: "Who do you say I am?"

After the series of parables in Matthew chapter 13, Matthew begins to narrate for us a major emphasis in Jesus' earthly ministry. More and more he clarifies for us, the identity of Jesus, both for his disciples' sake and for ours. All of this reaches a high point when Jesus asks Peter, "Who do you say that I am?" and Peter answers with crystal clarity (cf. Matthew 16:15-16). God grant us the same clarity of confession and of faith as we learn of Jesus.

Who do you say that he is? **He is ...** We'll learn how to answer that question with clear confidence as we continue on in the book of Matthew.

#### **Connect Groups**

Today, September 13, we are launching another quarter of connect groups. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in God's Word and get together with your fellow believers. We are having both inperson and virtual groups throughout the week so that as many of you as are able can be part of one of these wonderful groups.

Connect Groups exist to connect God's people to the two things they need for life and eternity: 1) God's Word; 2) God's people.

We pray that first and foremost these connect groups will provide God's people a safe and intimate place to wrestle with, understand and connect God's Word to their life.

We pray that these groups will promote the development of significant Christian relationships centered around the study of God's Word.

#### Please call the church office or see our website to sign-up for a connect group:

- Sundays after church (at church) with Dave and Leanne Ross
- Mondays @ 6:30 at church with Mike and Kathy Schuessler
- Thursday at 6 pm (at the Bourmans) with Ruth Bourman and Katrina Buchholz (childcare provided)
- Thursdays at 8:30 pm (via zoom) with Clint Scheirer, Jeff Matteson and others!
- We are also considering a Tuesday afternoon at 1 pm Connect Group (please let us know if you are interested).

# The Mount Night Out

Come enjoy a night at the park with our church family social distance style. We'll be meeting at Cooper Park (8701 W Chambers Street). Bring some food for your family. You can purchase drinks (or bring your own). Bring some yard games and let's hang out together!

## Canvassing

Every Tuesday evening (*weather permitting*) we are getting to know our neighbors who live near us at Mount Lebanon. We'll pair you up with an experienced canvasser and go out and visit with our neighbors. We go out from approximately 6 – 7 pm. Contact Pastor Bourman for more information.

#### **For Your Prayers**

For *all of our students* who will be returning to school in the coming weeks whether it is in person or virtually, that God would bless their time in school and in God's Word.

For **our teachers and school leaders**, as they prepare for school during a very difficult season of life. Pray for the strength and wisdom and success as they carry forward the gospel and raise up disciples, heirs and leaders. Pray especially for **Mount Lebanon School** as we kick off another school year.

For Laura Anderson, who will begin chemotherapy treatments soon as she receives care cancer.

For **Jeff Hauf**, the son of **Ann Maas**, who is continuing to recover at home from his injuries.

For *Linda Delay*, the sister of *Karen Runge*, who has completed her radiation treatments and is now recovering.

David DeLay, the nephew of Karen Runge, who is in prison and needs support through our prayers.

For *Jan Georgson*, Leanne Ross' sister, who continues to battle her brain tumor radiation and chemo for a brain tumor and the complications surrounding it.

Ivan, the father of Mike Pingel, who's health is declining due to Parkinson's and other health issues.

Pray for **Dennis Reed**, the brother-in-law of Brenda Joers, who will undergo a serious operation soon.