

Edgumbe Presbyterian Church, Midweek Update – October 25, 2017

FAITH PRACTICE: ALWAYS REFORMING

This October 31 will mark the 500th anniversary of the day that Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on a church door in Wittenberg. In college, I visited those church doors in Germany and discovered that they are now solid bronze and engraved with Luther's words, making any new postings quite impossible, which I thought was both humorous and ironic. It's ironic because the rallying cry of the Reformation became "Reformed and always reforming." Luther himself wanted his theses to be a starting point for conversation, not the final word on theology and the church.

So our invitation today is to notice how we are REFORMED (named for all time by God as a beloved child) and at the same time ALWAYS REFORMING (each day growing into the person we are called to be). How are you changing today? Are you sensing a call to learn something new, to trust God with a new part of your life, to get involved in ministry at church or in the world in a new way? Take a moment to write down any thoughts or feelings that come to you as you consider those questions.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE COMING UP

- Oct. 29 – *Reformation Sunday, followed by a New Member Exploration Class*
- Nov. 5 – *All Saints Day, Communion, and Godspeed send-off for Angelie*
- Nov. 12 – *Baptism and New Member Sunday*
- Nov. 19 – *Stewardship & Thanksgiving Sunday*

NEW MEMBER EXPLORATION CLASS—THIS SUNDAY

Anyone who would like to explore membership at EPC is invited to meet with the pastors after worship this Sunday, Oct. 29, for about one hour.

CHRISTMAS EVE QUESTION

This year, Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. So I, Pastor Phil, am wondering what you all want to do for worship that day. We could have Christmas worship that morning at 10am, freeing up the rest of the day for family gatherings, etc. We could skip the Sunday morning worship and meet at 3pm or 4pm for our traditional Christmas Eve service. Do you have a preference or ideas? I'll ask this same question during the announcement time on Sunday, or feel free to contact me at pastorphil@epchurch.org.

BIRTHDAYS

November Birthdays

Julie GebbenGreen – November 5

Jim Turnure – November 22

NOTE FROM ANGELIE

Deep gratitude to you my church family for your prayers and kind messages as my mom passed to her next life in God last Saturday. I have the honor of leading her memorial service this Thursday, and so proud of how my family here in Indianapolis is engaging with all the activities that come with losing a parent. We are doing well overall. –*Angelie Ryah*

PRAYERS

- Office Manager Lois Glewwe's surgery went very well last Friday. She is back in the office this week and is grateful for your prayers and support!
- For Angelie Ryah after her mother's death last Saturday, and blessings as Angelie leads the memorial service on Thursday.

Peace & care to you, Pastor Phil