

WELCOME!

If this is your first Sunday with us, welcome! We're so glad you're here! We have connection cards at the table in the back if you would like to fill one of those out! Also on the back of this bulletin is all our contact information and a QR code for our app. Check it out!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Retreat this coming weekend! We will be going to Tucson Thursday afternoon. If you need a ride please let Preston or Vaughan know. The address is 10080 N Quail Lane Tucson AZ 85742

Lady's Retreat the following weekend, April 3-5

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday

Prayer at 9:00am
Sunday School at 9:30 - 10:15am
*Snack & Drink Intermission
Worship at 10:30am
Children's Church at 11:15am
Sermon at 11:15am - 12:00pm
Prayer Meeting at 5:00 - 6:00pm
Youth Group at 5:00 - 6:00pm

Wednesday

Men's Meeting: 6:30am
Prayer at 6:30pm
Bible study at 7:00 - 8:00pm

Friday

Lady's Meeting at 9:30 - 11:30am

Weekly Prayer

Prayer meeting held every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evening 4:30 - 5:30pm

Mark your Calendars!

OCC Shoe Box: March-April
TOYS that will fit in a small shoe box, postage money, clearance items
March 27 - 29 : Men's Retreat
April 3 - 5 : Women's Retreat
April 12 : Easter Picnic
June 16 - 20 : Church Camp
July 7 - 11 : Vacation Bible School

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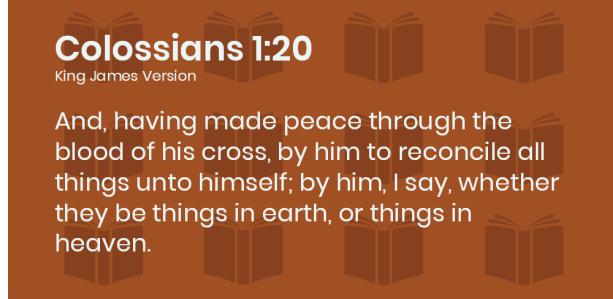
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MAKING PEACE IN JESUS



High-wire artist Philippe Petit became famous in 1971 when he walked a tightrope between the towers of Notre-Dame Cathedral in Paris. Three years later, he got arrested for an unauthorized walk between the Twin Towers that once distinguished New York's skyline. But in 1987, Petit's walk looked different. At the invitation of Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek, Petit walked across the Hinnom Valley on a high wire as a part of that year's Israel Festival. At the midway point, Petit released a pigeon (he'd hoped for a dove) to symbolize the beauty of peace. A strange and dangerous stunt, but all for the cause of peace. Petit later said, "For a moment, the entire crowd had forgotten their differences."

Petit's high-wire walk reminds me of another breathtaking moment—the one that occurred when Jesus' body hung between heaven and earth. The apostle Paul tells us, "God was pleased . . . to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through [Christ's] blood, shed on the cross" (Colossians 1:19-20). Paul writes that "once [we] were alienated from God" (v. 21), but no longer. Far from a spectacle to promote peace, Jesus the Messiah actually made peace by shedding His blood on the cross. His was a feat never to be surpassed, as there is no need. His peace is everlasting.

Reflect & Pray

What does the word peace mean to you? How would you say you're experiencing the peace of Jesus?



In the Bible, a dove symbolizes the Holy Spirit, peace, purity, innocence, and harmlessness, with key references including the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus at his baptism and Noah's dove returning with an olive branch.

SERMON NOTES

WE BELIEVE

In one God eternally existing in three persons;
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(John 14:10,16,18,26)

Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of the Father, conceived of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
(John 3:16, Matt. 1:20)

Jesus was crucified, buried and raised from the dead: He ascended into heaven, lives today at the right hand of the Father as our intercessor, and is coming again to receive unto Himself those who are looking for him. (Acts 4:10, Heb. 1:3; 7:25; 9:28)

All men are sinners by nature and practice.
(Romans 3:23, 5:19)

All who believe Jesus died on the cross for their sins and was resurrected from the dead, when they repent and confess with their mouth Jesus as Savior, are born into God's family as sons of God.

In being filled with the Holy Spirit, with the evidence of speaking in tongues.
(Acts 2:4; 10:45-46)

In the exercise of the gifts of the spirit that all may be edified.
(**1 Corinthians 12:7-11; 14:12**)

In observing the ordinances of water baptism by immersion, the Lord's supper, and men having their heads uncovered and women having their heads covered when praying or prophesying.
(Acts 16:33; Matthew 3:16;
1 Corinthians 11:1-26)

In the bodily resurrection; eternal life for the believer, and eternal punishment for the unbeliever.
(John 5:28)