

The Church of Christ  MESSENGER

Journeying together through the trials of life, with no less than our very most, to eternity!

The Virtual God

by Mike Mazzalongo

Time magazine once published a section devoted to the newest computer products. As I leafed through the latest gadgets and gizmos, I realized that the world and its technology was getting just beyond my grasp.

It seemed that all of the decade's advances that I so brashly accepted at one time when I was younger were getting harder and harder to keep up with. This discomfort led me to think about the effect that all of this new technology would have on my faith and I took courage in the following ideas:

1. God is the Source of Knowledge - Genesis 1:1

The one who created all things knows the potential of all things. We should see knowledge and the technology that comes from it as a blessing from God, a further insight into the wonder, complexity, and development of His initial design.

2. Proper Use is the Key - Genesis 2:16-17

The key in managing new discoveries is to find the usage that is in harmony with the rest of creation and God's will. With every advancement there is always the possibility of abuse but this has always been the challenge and responsibility for beings who have been given free will.

3. Jesus Adapts - Colossians 3:16

Technology becomes outdated, but Jesus Christ remains. He has outlasted every bold "new world" for the simple reason that He is the Lord of creation (Col. 1:16). This means that Jesus is the Lord of the internet and any other frontier that God will allow man to reach.

I'm still working on my ability to use today's technology. However, my simple faith in Jesus Christ will lead me beyond the "virtual" reality of this world to the "final" reality of heaven that will never change, and where keeping up will no longer be a problem.

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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld (See Matthew 10:29-31) 12-02-1999
 TODAY'S READING IS MATTHEW 10:30 ...
 "BUT THE VERY HAIRS OF YOUR HEAD ARE
 ALL ... ER ... NUMBERED"

The power of encouragement

Encouragement is important to people. It can actually change the course of another person's day, week or life. We all go through difficult days in our lives. Encouraging words can give us hope in hopeless situations, inspire us to achieve things, assist us to deal with adversities and give us that extra lift to keep on fighting that battles of life.

1 Thessalonians 4:18

Therefore encourage one another with these words.

-Roy Graneau

Prayers & Praise

Do you have someone to remember in our prayers? Or something you are rejoicing about? Please share

Prayers for each other that we continue to encourage and support God's plans for us

Freda for her health and well-being and her family

Bob as he settles in to his new home and his health concerns

Beth—continued prayers for her sister and family

Heney's as they deal with outcomes from the RM's decisions

Fran and continued health concerns for her and her family

Our search for a preacher

Thanks for the men that have come to provide sermons

Emilie celebrated her 11th birthday this last week



News/Announcements

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Sunday meeting times

10:30– doors open
 11AM-Worship service
 4702 56 Ave, Lloydminster, AB

Midweek

see you in the fall!
 find us on the web
 www.lloydchurch.org

	Song leader	Communion	Message	Opening prayer/ announcements	Closing prayer
Today	Sean	Kevin & Brian	Video message	Sean	Brian
Next week	Kevin	Sean & Brian	Nate Seecharan	Kevin	Brian



September readings	
02	Job 40:1-42:17 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 Psalm 45:1-17 Proverbs 22:14
03	Ecclesiastes 1:1-3:22 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Psalm 46:1-11 Proverbs 22:15
04	Ecclesiastes 4:1-6:12 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:7 Psalm 47:1-9 Proverbs 22:1
05	Ecclesiastes 4:1-6:12 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:7 Psalm 47:1-9 Proverbs 22:1
06	Ecclesiastes 7:1-9:18 2 Corinthians 7:8-16 Psalm 48:1-14 Proverbs 22:17-1
07	Ecclesiastes 10:1-12:14 2 Corinthians 8:1-15 Psalm 49:1-20 Proverbs 22:20-2
08	Isaiah 1:1-2:22 2 Corinthians 10:1-18 Psalm 52:1-9 Proverbs 22:26-27

The Beatitudes

"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me."
Matthew 5:11 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 5:1-12 (NIV)



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KINGDOM	MERCY	EARTH	FILLED	MOURN
HUNGER	HEART	SPIRIT	BLESSED	INHERIT
THIRST	MEEK	PURE	POOR	HEAVEN

News & Notes

- Potluck today followed by congregational meeting
- The basement is coming together. Floors and paint colors are the next decision
- A short list of preachers has been made. In the next couple of weeks there will be decisions and invitations made to the applicants
- Sunday School begins Sept. 9th @ 10 am please come join us in learning and growing together
- Tuesday night bible study begins Sept the 11th at 7pm everyone is welcome
- October 12-14: Harvest Fellowship 2018, Weyburn church of Christ, Keynote speaker: Jay Bailey, Family Resemblance: Attributes of God and His Children.. see poster on back bulletin board