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

Church Camp, NEXT WEEK, June 16-20

No Men's Wednesday Breakfast June 11th or 18th. We will Resume June 25th.

CHURCH SERVICES

<u>Sunday</u>

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

<u>Wednesday</u>

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: June-July

School Supplies: Notebooks, Inflatable globes, sharpened pencils, sharpeners, pens, calculators, 6" rulers, scissors, glue sticks, crayons, colored pencils, drawstring backpacks, pencil boxes, binder pouches, stick on jewels, tape, sticky notes, etc.

June 16 - 20: Church Camp
July 7 - 11: Vacation Bible School

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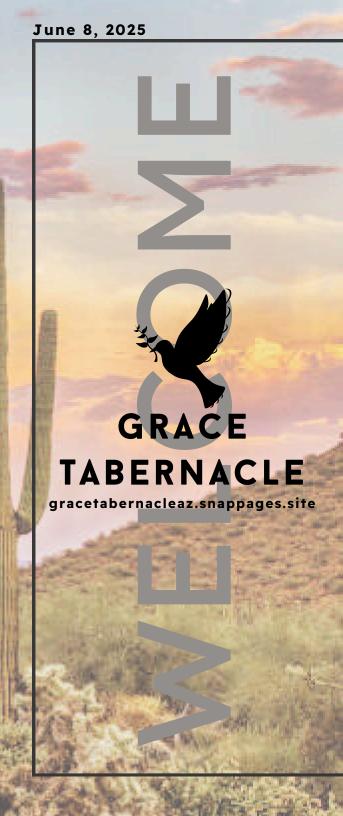
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"Tis a fearful thing / to love what death can touch." That line begins a poem written more than a thousand years ago by the Jewish poet Judah Halevi, translated in the twentieth century. The poet clarifies what's behind the fear: "to love . . . / And oh, to lose."

In Genesis, an outpouring of emotion occurred when Abraham lost Sarah in death. "Abraham went to mourn for Sarah and to weep over her" (23:2). The chapter unfolds the beautiful, grief-heavy story of the loss of one of Scripture's most memorable characters: Sarah, the faithful wife of Abraham, that old woman who'd laughed at the news she'd be a mother (18:11-12) but had cried in pain as Isaac made his way into this world.

We make much of that crisp, humanity-rich verse in John's gospel: "Jesus wept" (John 11:35). The Messiah's tears at the tomb of Lazarus emphasized Jesus' loss. To love is indeed a fearful thing. The poet Halevi calls it "a thing for fools," yet he follows by also naming it "a holy thing," which it is, especially for those whose faith is "hidden with Christ in God" (Colossians 3:3).

We love and lose everything from spouses to children to parents to friends to pets, and weeping with "painful joy" is oh so human. Yet for the believer in Jesus, our weeping only lasts for the proverbial night. As David wrote, "Weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning" (Psalm 30:5). Our Father hasn't left us bereft of hope.

Reflect & Pray What has affected your ability to love? Who is the last person you wept over and why?

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.

(Acts 3:19; Romans 10:9-10)

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)