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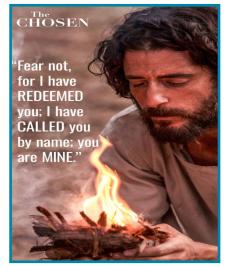
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GET UP TO SOMETHING GOOD!! Join us for Pastor Cindy's "uplifting" Lenten sermon series



Don't miss The Chosen! Wednesday evenings during Lent at Clair—6:15 PM Watch an episode and review it to learn about Jesus' ministry





Join the Crusaders' Class as we watch The Passion on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM March 10, 17 and 24—followed by in depth discussion!





I am enjoying our Lenten worship series, "what R U Up 2?" In the weeks leading up to Easter Sunday (Mar. 31), we are observing what Jesus is UP to and what we are called to be UP to, as well. "Come Up" was week one's theme, as Jesus came up from his baptismal waters to hear God's voice: "You are my beloved Son. With you I am well pleased." That affirmation gave Jesus the confirmation and the courage to face 40 days of fasting, praying, and temptation in preparation for the beginning of his public ministry.

"Take Up" was the focus for Lent Week 2. Jesus told those around him, *"If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and <u>take up</u> their cross and follow me." Following Jesus, being a disciple is hard and sometimes requires doing things that we don't want to do because they are hard. But, Jesus never promised that being a disciple would be easy, only worth it.*

Lent Week 3 (Mar. 3) had us talking about "Rise Up." Jesus got angry at the misuse and abuse he witnessed in the Temple during Passover. He turned tables over and drove out animals and merchants from the Court of the Gentiles. Jesus was angry and he did something about it. In our call to "Do justice. Love mercy. And walk humbly with our God," we need to be able to set aside our timidity in order to DO something about the things we complain about. How can we become involved with organizations who work to make change? What idea do you have as an alternative to something you believe is not right? We are to let our voices and our actions rise up in an effort to effect change, not being satisfied to just complain that "somebody" should do something.

Future Sundays in Lent include: Light Up, Lift Up, Sit Up, UpEnded, and finally, Look Up on Easter morning. Join us as continue to hear and to reflect upon what Jesus is up to!

As always, Friends, it is an honor to be your pastor!

Cindy



HYGIENE ITEMS ARE BEING COLLECTED FOR BODE MIDDLE SCHOOL!



Turning Water to Wine—Not So Easy!!









WELCOME!

Miss Emersyn

Norene Kinney

Born March 1

6 lb. 8 oz. - 19.5 inches

Proud parents: Brendon & Jennifer Kinney

Proud big brother:

Emric



ACC General Contracting will begin work on Phase 1 of the capital improvements in late April! March 6, 2024 - page 4



CLAIR CONNECTION



SAVE THE DATE: FLOWER SALE – May 4!



Special Olympics Group Holds Valentine's Day Activity at Clair





The St. Joseph Police & the Buchanan County Sheriff's Departments appreciated using Clair's parking lot for recent drone training.



