

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Our annual Congregational Business Meeting will be held in November. Each year we select Board Members; any member of the congregation is eligible to serve. We are specifically looking for a recording secretary. If you would like to serve on the 2025 Official Board or have questions about the responsibilities please see Bonnie or Willie.



The annual Congregational Business Meeting will be held after church on Sunday, November 10th, where we will elect officers and set a budget for 2025. Lunch will be served as a part of this meeting. Please plan on joining us for this important meeting!

Jefferson Community Church will be hosting the first annual “Hopeful Finds Market” this Saturday from 9am-2pm. Several dozen vendors will be offering crafts, gifts, food, and more. More information can be found in this week’s bulletin insert!

A celebration dinner for Downtown Ministries is being held this Thursday at Sugar Grove Church 58512 Old County Rd 17 in Goshen. Downtown Ministries works with people transitioning out of prison and difficult life situations, providing classes, housing, and hope. To register, go to downtownmin.org/banquet.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month in 2024: \$8,612
Given in October (as of 10/6): \$1,297
2024 Budget giving needed (Jan-Sept): \$77,508
2024 Actual Budget giving (Jan-Sept): \$77,932
(\$424 over budget for the year)



October 13th, 2024

Today’s Message:

Abraham’s Story

Genesis 18-19

9am– Sunday School

10:15am– Morning Worship

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Sun., Oct. 13th– Official Board Meeting after church. Youth Group meeting at 5pm to go to Knollbrook Farm, lesson to follow.

Tues., Oct 15th – Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am,

Sat., Oct. 19th– Cowboys for Christ Ride, 10am

Sun., Nov. 10th– Congregational Business Meeting after church

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Mon., Oct. 14th– Sierra Lantz Tues., Oct. 22nd– Larry Parcell

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Thurs., Oct. 24th– Gregg & Vicki Miller

Prayer Concerns:

- Mick & Diana’s grandson Austin in hospital in Chicago, severe colitis, having colon removed.
- Bonnie and Doyle’s brother Barry in hospital with possible stroke
- Ruby B– nephew Wayne and friend Ida both having health issues
- Pray for the people recovering from hurricane in Appalachia

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Prayer Focus *Praise God for the attendees and fellowship of the Backyard Fellowship . Ask Him to send others who need to hear the gospel and experience His love.*

**October 13th, 2024–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Entering with Worship– The Worship Team

Morning Prayer

Scripture Reading– 2 Peter 3:3-7

Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation.” But they deliberately forget that long ago by God’s word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

Hymn #183– Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Message– Abraham’s Story

Pastor Jeff Estep

Closing Hymn #65– The Wonder of It All

Dismissal

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Leading Worship Today– Megan Long

Serving Today– Nursery– Bonnie Reagan

Sermon Notes:

Abraham sets the example by _____ for the people of Sodom.

We all struggle with sin, but the _____ with which we struggle reveals where our _____ are.

Lot made his home in a terrible place not because God called him to be a missionary but because he was tempted by what it _____.

Every culture that _____ sin and puts it on a pedestal will be _____. Every person that flaunts its sin is ripe for judgment.

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– Genesis 14 **Monday–** Genesis 18:1-15

Tuesday– Genesis 18:16-33 **Wednesday–** Genesis 19:1-15

Thursday– Genesis 19:16-29 **Friday–** Matthew 11;20-24

Saturday– 2 Peter 3

Upcoming Sermons:

10/20– “Jacob’s Story”- Genesis 32:22-32– While running from his brother, Jacob meets an unexpected visitor, and after wrestling with him, receives more than a new name. He receives an unexpected gift.

10/27- “Moses’ Story”- Exodus 4:18-26– Fresh off of hearing God’s command to “Go” to Egypt, Moses comes face to face with an angel set to STRIKE HIM DEAD! He is rescued by his wife, who illustrates that if you want something done, sometimes you have to do it yourself, (even if the “something” is kinda gross!) This week we look at one of the stranger stories in Scripture.

