

A Word for Those Weary of Change

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“No matter how many times you save the world, it always manages to get back in jeopardy again. Sometimes I just want it to stay saved! You know, for a little bit? I feel like the maid. I just cleaned up this mess, can we keep it clean for ten minutes!” – Mr. Incredible

Do you ever share Mr. Incredible’s frustration? I want the power to create lasting change. I want my world to slow down and stay the same. No matter how hard I try to establish some consistency in my world, change comes quick and often.

In John 15:9, Jesus commanded his disciples, “Abide in my love.” The words *abide*, *abides*, and *abiding* appear 44 times in the New Testament of my English Standard Version Bible. 40 of these appearances are in books written by the apostle John! Something about this word resonated deeply with John, and something about it resonates deeply with me.

John 5:38, 6:56, 8:31, 15:1-17

1 John Chapter 2 Verses 6, 10, 14, 17, 24, and 27

Chapter 3 Verses 6, 9, 14, 15, 17, and 24

Chapter 4 Verses 12, 13, 15, 16

2 John Verses 2 and 9

Merriam Webster defines abide as “to remain stable or fixed in a state.” When we obey God and love others, God himself abides in us. In other words, God is unchanging within us.

1 John 4:16

[16] So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. (ESV)

When I become overwhelmed by change, I rest in the truth that God never changes (James 1:17). I can’t control the world around me, but I can control myself with the help of God’s Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:23). Are you weary of change? Abide in love and know that our unchanging God will abide in you.

Caleb Boggs

In Our Thoughts & Prayers



Kay Anderson, Travis Bell, Carol Bessman, Fred Bukowich, Kim Cable, Vera Cornell, Lee Crabtree, Tammy Crawford. Don Deffenbaugh, Beth Foster, Joe and Teresa Freund, Pete Griffin, Glen Honeycutt, Molly Jackson, Wayne King, Shanna Kraft (Cheryl's daughter), Millie Lyons, Pam McMahan, Sherry Merrill, Mebyl Privett, Brandon Ross (Debi's grandson), Harold Speir, Edith Toney, Ken Tyler.

- Kathy Friend has been released from the hospital and is recuperating at home.
- Glen Honeycutt's recovery has been slower than they wanted but he is improving. He hopes to come home soon. They want to thank you for your continued prayers.

Our sympathy is extended to **Taylor Keith** on the death of his sister, Kourtney. Many of you know that she has battled Cystic Fibrosis all her life. Her family goes to church at Seneca and have many ties to our family here. Visitation will be from 2:00-3:00 today and services will be tomorrow at 2:00 at the church in Seneca.



Every "One" Counts: When you give an extra dollar each Sunday, it goes to help someone in need. If you know someone in need, please contact Jennifer Daniels or Natalie McInturff.

Devo and Donuts is taking a break along with the schools. It will resume on January 10.



Today's Sermons



- A.M.: *Who's Got It Good?*
(Danny Boggs)
- P.M.: *The Way of the Fool*
(Pr. 12:15, Danny Boggs)

If you can't be here when we **worship**, visit our website, Facebook page or YouTube channel to join us live or to catch up on what you missed.

New Devo for grades 7-12 and their families will be tonight after evening services at the home of Caleb and Bethany Boggs. Boys are asked to bring drinks and chips. Girls are asked to bring desserts.

Please leave your gift for Baby Keith today in the basket in the foyer.

Challenge Youth Conference is in Dallas on January 13-15.

God's People at Hillcrest,

When COVID 19 took me down it was a very strange experience - I usually enjoy excellent health. When I learned of your prayers on my behalf, it was a very consoling and enriching experience. Words of encouragement and inquiries about my well being refreshed my soul. Thank you to Hillcrest - God's people whom I dearly love.

Patrick Andrews

Your generosity helped three families this holiday season. Two girls with a single working Mom received clothes, toys, books and a craft. Two families at NCS have been helped from your cash donations. A boy received needed clothing items. His family, which includes other siblings and a single working dad were helped with a gift card for food and other needed items. The second family at NCS also received a gift card to help their situation. Thank you for your loving and generous hearts!



WORSHIP LEADERS

Today

AM Opening Prayer: Peter Wald
AM Closing Prayer: Tucker Anderson
Communion Prayers: Jason Giebler
PM Opening: Pete Babb
PM Closing: Morgan Bryan

This Wednesday

Announcements: Noah Reiboldt
Singing: Charlie Collinworth
Invitation: Pat Andrews
Opening Prayer: Harold Speir
Closing Prayer: Tony Flint

RECORDS

	12-11-22	12-12-21
Bible Study	134	138
AM Worship	191	184
PM Worship	116	133
Wednesday	124	125
Contribution	\$8,117.99	\$8,408.92
Budget	\$8,250.00	\$8,000.00