

8:30 AM Service
All Saints Sunday, May 30, 2021

Pastor Dave Steane preaching
Galatians 1:1-2 (ESV)

Welcome & Call to Worship		Beth Case
Songs of Praise	*Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*	Traditional
	What a Friend We Have in Jesus	Traditional
Prayer of Confession & Assurance		Lyndsey Dottavio
Song of Preparation	*You Are My King (Amazing Love)*	Billy Foote
Message	**Unburdened: The Sufficiency of God's Call** Galatians 1:1-2	Dave Steane
Time of Grateful Remembrance		Beth Case and Alf Halvorson
Song of Response	*Starts and Ends*	Hillsong United
Opportunity to Give & Benediction		Dave Steane



Sunday Worship Playlist
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9:45 AM Service
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Welcome & Call to Worship		Michael Middleton
Song of Praise	*Look to the Sun*	
Song of Preparation	*Won't Stop Now*	Elevation Worship
Moment of Confession & Assurance		Meliza Gómez
Song of Preparation	*How Great Is Love*	Phil Wickham
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11:15 AM Service
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Prelude	*Sonata in F*	C.P.E. Bach (1714-1788)
Welcome & Call to Worship		Beth Case
Choral Introit	*Behold Now, Praise the Lord*	Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)
***Hymn of Praise**	*For All the Saints*	#526; Vs. 1, 2, 3 | Sine Nomine
***Prayer of Confession & Assurance**		Amanda Grace Caldwell
***Affirmation of Faith** from the Apostles' Creed		
Anthem	*God of Grace and God of Glory*	Paul Langston (1928-2013)
Time of Grateful Remembrance		Beth Case and Alf Halvorson
Anthem of Preparation	*On Christ We Stand*	Philip Kern (b. 1957)
Message	**Unburdened: The Sufficiency of God's Call** Galatians 1:1-2	Dave Steane
***Hymn of Response**	*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*	#298; Vs. 1, 2 | In Babilone
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Postlude	*Be Thou My Vision*	arr. Jeffrey Penn Johnson (b. 1988)

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

To see more events at **MDPC**, visit **events.mdpc.org**.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE as of May 23, 2021

2021 Annual Budget	$ 11,300,000
Income to Date	$ 3,871,263
Needed to Meet Budget	$ 7,428,737



Collection: Sundays, May 23-June 6

Support our neighbors through ECHOS Food Pantry! You can ship direct by ordering from their Amazon Wish List, or use that list to shop locally. Details at **fooddrive.mdpc.org**.



Sundays, 9:45 or 11:15 AM • Amphitheater

A new summer pastor-led study begins June 6! Each lesson in *Nine from the New* is a stand-alone look at a passage from the New Testament. No RSVP necessary; drop-ins are welcome. Learn more at **byf.mdpc.org**.



Second Wednesdays • 4:30-6:00 PM at MDPC
NEW OPP! First Mondays • 9:00 AM-Noon at Kids' Meals

Texas is number one in the U.S. in food insecurity for children - but you can help! There are two opportunities to volunteer each month. Learn more and sign up at **kidsmeals.mdpc.org**.



Mondays in June • 10:00-11:00 AM

Hey, rising 6th graders! Join us this June for lunch and Bible study as you get ready to enter middle school. MDPC's middle school and elementary staff and interns will be there to lead you through the study! Feel free to bring friends! Sign up at **kids.mdpc.org**.



Sundays, July 11-August 1, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Research shows marriage prep programs can be particularly effective at preventing divorce - plus, MLP's approved by *Twogether in Texas*, so graduates can have their Texas marriage license fee waived! Go to **mlp.mdpc.org** to learn more.



Monday-Friday, July 12-16 • 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

This week-long event is for elementary kids, but we need lots of adult and teen volunteers to make it a success! No teaching is required, and we have roles for every person's unique gifts. Visit **summercel.mdpc.org** to find out more.



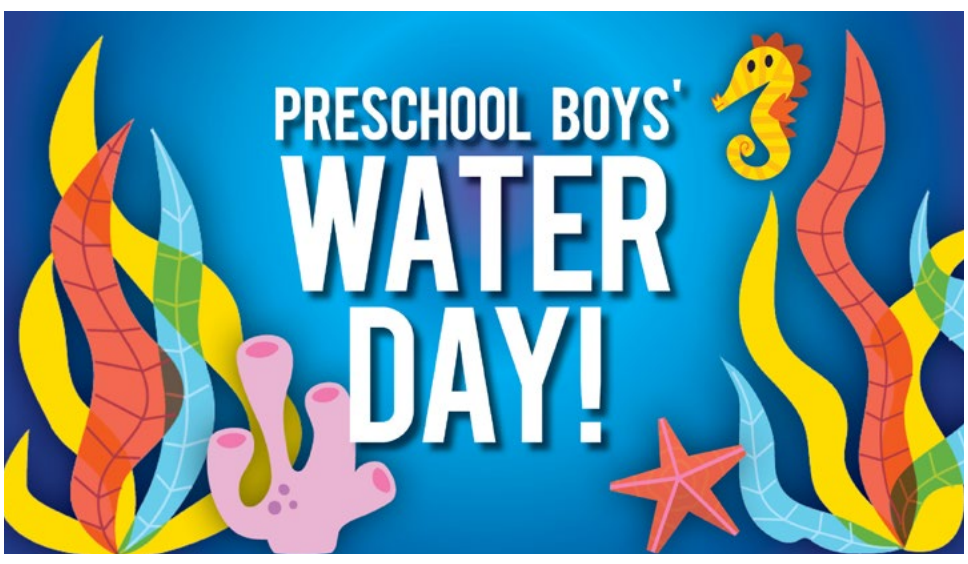
Saturday, June 26 •10:00-11:30 AM

Preschool girls, you're invited to a Princess Party! Grab a parent and plan to join us for this fun, sparkling morning. Lunch is provided! Learn more and sign up at **kids.mdpc.org**.



Training Begins this Fall • Apply by August 16

Have you found that people trust you to listen to their struggles? Do you enjoy supporting, caring and praying for others? If so, consider becoming a Stephen Minister! Learn more at **stephen.mdpc.org**.



Wednesday, June 30 •10:00-11:30 AM

Preschool boys, bring your swim gear and sunscreen, grab a parent, and plan to join us for a wet and wild morning! Lunch is provided. Learn more and sign up at **kids.mdpc.org**.



CONNECTION is our Sunday program for Middle and High School students where we come together for fellowship, teaching, and worship. 11:15 AM in the Youth Loft; more info at **connection.mdpc.org**.



Sunday childcare currently is available for children five and under. Visit **children.mdpc.org** to see our Sunday morning health and safety protocols. For The Galaxy elementary Sunday school, just text Galaxy F2F to the number 94000 so we know you are coming!

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Ted Roby
May 23, 2020



Claire Draper
May 24, 2020



Marisol Alvarez García
June 3, 2020



Andrew (Jack) Clark
June 10, 2020

Bill Minton
June 11, 2020



Eder Perez
June 24, 2020



John Lindsley Bratten
June 26, 2020



Marguerite Baldwin
July 1, 2020



Jim Work
July 14, 2020



Jeannette Conner
July 15, 2020



Glenn Hildebrandt
July 16, 2020



Cliff Segerstrom
July 25, 2020



Tom Hanlon
July 28, 2020



Gaby Harris
August 9, 2020



Pat Gordon
August 22, 2020



Jeanette Wright
August 25, 2020



Ethel Bowman
September 3, 2020



Bill Purifoy
September 9, 2020



Robert Dawson
September 20, 2020



Roy Wood
September 25, 2020



Kay Redden
October 13, 2020



Ray Young
October 19, 2020



Vivian Wooley
October 28, 2020



Tom Cate
November 7, 2020



Melba Limbach
October 4, 2020



Nina Moore
October 7, 2020



Ronald Lenser
October 9, 2020



Rev. Doug Harper
October 10, 2020



Judy Hamelers
November 20, 2020



Marilyn Noll
November 27, 2020



Richard Massey
December 4, 2020



Charles (Chuck) Edwards
December 30, 2020



Gerald Beard
January 7, 2021



Mark Winburn
January 10, 2021



Dorothy Bratten
January 16, 2021



Lynn Lott
January 25, 2021



Elizabeth Ann Trice
February 7, 2021



Evelyn Cook
February 15, 2021



Edith Frick
February 23, 2021

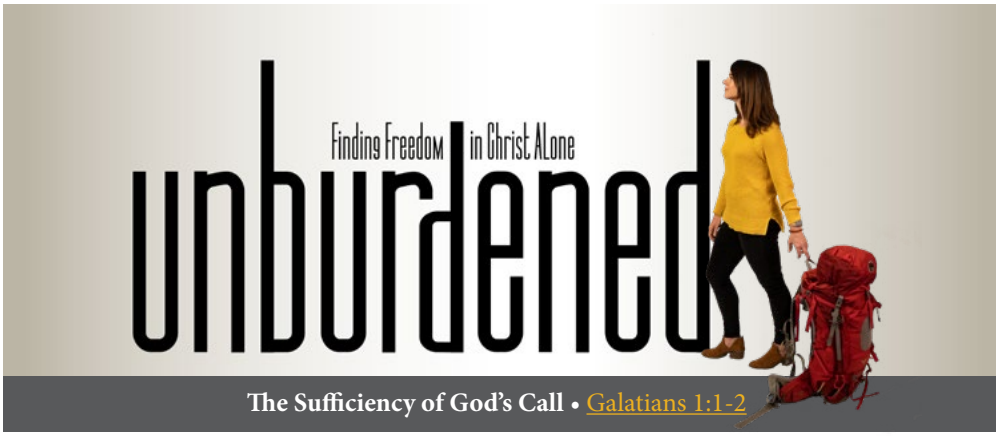
Sharon Yapp
March 1, 2021

Fran Hennington
April 2021

Merle Hunsaker
April 27, 2021

Caring Ministries also assisted with the memorial services of the following non-members:

Trudy Shoup, June 22, 2020
Robert Nunnallee, September 4, 2020
Steven Gerish, November 16, 2020
Meg Horner, December 7, 2020
Rev. Dean Pogue, March 10, 2021
Eloise Tartaglia, March 13, 2021
Joshua Taylor, March 23, 2021



The name of our 2021 Summer Sermon Series is ***Unburdened***. For the next 12 Sundays, we will be preaching through the small but incredibly powerful New Testament letter called Galatians. Each Sunday, a different preacher will unpack a portion of this letter by the Apostle Paul, helping us to understand its message and the impact of that message on our lives. Our hope and prayer is that we would not only have our intellects stimulated, but that our hearts would be transformed further by God's grace in and through Jesus Christ!

Biblical scholars generally agree that Galatians was written by the Apostle Paul, perhaps as early at the late 40s or early 50s. Assuming that Jesus was crucified and resurrected in the mid 30s, Galatians was written just about 20 years afterward, which is significant for authenticity and accuracy. Galatians is considered a *circular* letter in that it was written not just to one church, but to a cluster of churches that Paul helped to establish in the region of Galatia (modern Turkey). The Galatian Christians came from a non-Jewish background and tradition. This mean that they were void of an understanding of the Laws and traditions of Israel.

A major theme of Galatians is the tension between some Jewish Christians and the non-Jewish Christians regarding what was necessary to attain righteousness before God. Some of the Jewish Christians argued that in order to be righteous, the Old Testament Law also must be obeyed in addition to one having faith in Jesus as Savior and Lord. And for the Apostle Paul, who once was a top-tier Pharisee, faith in Christ had unburdened God's people from the curse and bondage of the Law. As we shall see, Paul was incensed at the suggestion that Christ was not completely sufficient to attain righteousness.

In Galatians 1:1-2 we find the introduction to the letter, which reveals some important and foundational clues. We will understand Paul's sense of call to be an Apostle by the will of God, despite the fact that, in his former life, he was a passionate defender of the Jewish Law and aggressive persecutor of Christians.

- To appreciate Paul's former life, read Acts 8:1-3. Prior to becoming an Apostle of Jesus, Paul was named Saul and was a leader of those who persecuted Christians and ravaged the Church. How would you describe Saul's motive for this behavior?
- To further understand Paul's former life, read Philippians 3:4-6. Here we find Paul's impressive and impeccable credentials as a Jewish Pharisee. He was from the right family. He had obeyed the Law. He had profound leadership and influence. He was a defender of Israel. Why are credentials important? In what ways can credentials be misused?
- Galatians 1:1 starts with, ***"Paul, an apostle…"*** The word *apostle* is the English translation of the Greek *apostolos*, which literally means "one who is sent." Jesus had many disciples, but only a few of those were named apostles. Paul was not part of the original group of Jesus' apostles but became one when he encountered Jesus on the road to Damascus. Read Acts 9:1-19. More broadly, all Christians are called to an apostolic ministry in that we are called by God and sent into the world to share the good news of Jesus. How have you experience this call and being sent?
- Verse 1 continues with, ***"…not from men or through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead…"*** If you look at most of Paul's letters in the New Testament, he often has to defend his calling and role as an apostle. In Galatians 1:1 Paul notes that he is an apostle, not by his choice or by the choice of other people, but *through Jesus Christ and God the Father*. It is understandable that his readers would have questioned his word. Can you think of a modern-day example of someone who professed to be a Christian after having a not-so-great past?
- There's an important lesson for us in Paul's call to be an *apostle*. The Bible is full of accounts of God using imperfect people to accomplish His perfect will. We may not have a great past, or our faith may be shaky at times, but God calls whom He chooses to accomplish His will. Through the Holy Spirit, God's chosen instruments are cleansed, made whole, and equipped to be sent to proclaim the good news of Jesus. In what ways have you experienced God's call on your life? How do you understand the sufficiency of that call?