

## "GOD'S STORY TOLD IN MY LIFE"

Series: Live Differently

**"We are not human beings on a spiritual journey. We are spiritual beings on a human journey."** *Steven Covey*

- 1) God's story of redemption
- 2) My story of redemption
- 3) Telling my story of redemption

### Opening Questions:

What chapter of your life's story is God currently writing?

### Discussion Questions:

1. Read John 9. What work in his life did the young man have to speak of?
2. What could have stopped the young man from telling about the work of God in his life? Did he get any support?
3. Who could have benefited from this young man's story? How do we know who can benefit from our story?
4. Do you think everyone has a story of God's work in their life?
5. What do you think God expects of us in relation to His work in our lives?
6. What stops us from telling our story?
7. What can you learn from the young man in John 9 about telling your story?

### Daily Scripture

Day 1  
John 9

Day 2  
Psalm 139

Day 3  
1 Timothy 1:12-17

Day 4  
Psalm 51

Day 5  
1 John 4:18

## Opportunities to Connect, Grow, Serve & Go at WFMC this week.

### Sunday, October 23

- 9:30 a.m. My BFF Jesus (Girls Grades 2-5 w/Mom)..... LL RED Room
- 9:30 a.m. Character Crew (Boys Grades 2-5 w/Dad)..... LL Purple Room
- 9:30 a.m. PreK Sunday School..... LL Yellow Room
- 9:30 a.m. Kindergarten/1st Grade Sunday School..... LL Green Room
- 9:30 a.m. Jr. High Class (Grades 6-8)..... Parsonage Basement
- 9:30 a.m. Sr. High Class (Grades 9-12)..... Fellowship Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Read the Bible for Life ..... LL Rm 105
- 9:30 a.m. Love & Respect: Marriage Enrichment ..... LL Rm 106
- 9:30 a.m. Discovering WFMC ..... Office Conference Room
- 9:30 a.m. A Nation is Born ..... ML Rm 204
- 10:45 a.m. Kidventure (Grades PreK-5)..... LL Youth Room
- 5:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Musical Practice ..... Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Spag's (Sr. High Youth)..... Spag's Pizza

### Monday, October 24

- 6:00 p.m. Quilting & Crafts Night ..... Brookshire Inn
- 6:00 p.m. Financial Peace University ..... Sanctuary

### Tuesday, October 25

- 7:20 p.m. Spark (Grades 6-8)..... LL Youth Room

### Wednesday, October 26

- 8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast ..... Sunnyside Cafe, Williamston
- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study..... ML Room 204
- 6:30 p.m. A Time of Prayer (Led by Pastoral Staff) ..... Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Game Plan for Life..... ML Room 203
- 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study..... ML Room 204
- 7:20 p.m. Reverb (Grades 9-12)..... LL Youth Room

### Thursday, October 27

- 12:00 p.m. Coffee Club ..... Office Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. Griefshare ..... Office Conference Room

### Friday, October 28

- 3:30pm or 5:00 p.m. Trick or Treating ..... Okemos Rehabilitation

### Saturday, October 29

- 6:00 p.m. Fall Family Festival..... Vern & Charlene Cobb's

Note: For the most up-to-date calendar, view the WFMC Calendar at [www.williamstonfmc.org](http://www.williamstonfmc.org). If your WFMC group needs to schedule use of a room, facilities or the sanctuary, download, complete and submit a Church Facilities Request form from [www.williamstonfmc.org](http://www.williamstonfmc.org) under the About Us section.

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## Hey Kids!

Join us downstairs at 10:45am every week for KidVenture "the best hour of the week!"



# NEWS & OPPORTUNITIES

## 1st TIME GUESTS

We have a gift for you at the Welcome Center in the main level Lobby.

The morning message audio is available online (no charge) tomorrow.

**Service Times**  
9:30 a.m. Sermon Only  
11:00 a.m. Traditional

## 2011 GENERAL FUND UPDATE

2011 Budget \$555,424.00  
Contributions to date \$427,002.83  
Expenses to date \$448,611.69

## 2011 ATTENDANCE

Monthly Average 338 Annual Average 337

## ONE SERVICE ONLY

For the month of December we will have only one service at 11:00am and Sunday School at 9:30. Please make a note of it.

## PERUVIAN/AMERICAN DELI

Come & enjoy a sub, drink and dessert at our American/Peruvian Deli or take your lunch with you next Sunday the 30th immediately following the 2nd service in the Fellowship Hall. There will also be a silent auction. Donations received for your lunch and from the auction will help fund the missions trip to Lima, Peru in November.

## WHAT'S YOUR COLOR?

Sunday, November 6 we will have a special service and luncheon to honor those individuals affected by Cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. Come and invite someone you'd like to honor, a survivor, a caregiver, a family member, a neighbor for a no-strings attached event to say "you are cared for".



## QUILTED HANDBAG CLASS

Our very own Lorraine Johnson is bringing us another spectacular crafting class on November 12 from 10am-3pm. See a sample of how your handbag will look in the lobby next to the sign-up sheet. You will receive your materials list when you sign up. The only class fee is \$3.50 to cover lunch expenses. Contact Lorraine with questions at 655-3289.

## WE NEED NAMES

of people in need of help with yardwork or household maintenance. We would like to organize the list now for distribution on Serving Sunday(11/6). We also need names of families we can bless with food at Thanksgiving. Please give the information to Pastor Dave @ 655-3668.

## BRING US YOUR NON-PERISHABLES

You can start bringing your non-perishable food items now! We will be accepting food items until the WFMC Charity Concert on November 20th. We will also be accepting winter clothing for our clothing giveaway at the Williamston Light Parade in December.

## FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL

Don't forget this Saturday is our fall family festival at Vern and Charlene Cobb's farm, 3359 Moyer Rd, Williamston at 6:00pm. Bring the family and friends! We are still in need of Hot Dogs, Buns, Hershey bars, marshmallows, sticks to roast with, or candy.

## BELL RINGERS

Wouldn't you love to help the salvation army? You can by standing at Merindorf meats and ringing a bell! The dates to choose from are November 21, 22, 23 or December 20, 21, 22, 23 or 24. Contact the church office @ 655-3668.



## HILLTOPPERS

Monday Nov. 7th the Hilltoppers, a senior social group, will be participating in a men vs. women Pictionary event! You won't want to miss all the fun that is about to ensue, beginning at 6pm in the fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to share. Contact Lorraine Johnson at 655-3289 with questions.

# CHILD MINISTRIES



Pastor Lori Dowdy--Children Ministries, lori.dowdy@williamstonfmc.org

## FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL



Bring the whole family and friends too this Saturday! This year's festival promises to be a fun filled night of games, hot dogs, s'mores, prizes and CANDY! We begin at 6:00pm and will be having Trunk or Treat at 7:30 and concluding at 8:00. Contests for best costume, pictures, prizes for the number of visitors you bring and more! We are excited to have this year's event at the farm of Vern & Charlene Cobb, 3359 Moyer Rd, Williamston. Sign-up in the lobby to donate needed items. **Bring your own lawn chair!**

## FREE CANDY FOR KIDS

This Friday at 3:30 and 5pm all children are invited to trick-or-treat at the Okemos Rehab facility, 5211 Marsh Rd., Okemos. Help make this Halloween an enjoyable experience for their residents with this intergenerational activity! See Jeremiah Bigelow for details!

## PRAISE DANCE

A liturgical dance class for girls aged 5 and up will be held every other Sunday morning beginning November 6 at 10:30. Learn to praise God through dance. The class will be taught by Sherri King and is free to all! Sign up with Sherri at 243-2204. Examples of this type of dance can be viewed on our website.



## Are you a TEAMKID?



Come hang out with the rest of your friends after school on Tuesdays, beginning November 15 in the Discovery Elementary Cafeteria! TeamKID is a fun, high-energy ministry that encourages kids to know Jesus Christ and grow in a relationship with Him. All parts of TeamKID—Bible stories, Scripture memory, life application, missions, and recreation—connect to teach life lessons to kids! Want to volunteer to be a TeamKID coach? Contact Pastor Lori at 655-3668!

# YOUTH MINISTRIES



Micah & Pastor Erin Valenti--Youth Ministries, micah.valenti@williamstonfmc.org



**Get Rooted** is happening each week! Both Jr. High and Sr. High will meet in the Youth Room at 9:30am and will continue to meet together throughout this curriculum.



- Oct 23 - Spag's** Sr. High meets at Spag's at 7pm. \$5 for pizza and pop!
- Oct 29 - Halloween Bash** at Rowley Wesleyan Church at 6-9pm. Music, doughnuts, cider, bonfire, games, message, hay ride to The Corn Maze, candy, candy, CANDY! Best costumes win a prize!
- Oct 30 - Baptism Service** - Any youth interested, please contact Micah.
- Oct 31 Deposit due for Acquire The Fire 2012.** Get your \$45 to Micah to reserve your spot at Acquire the Fire (March 9-11).
- Nov 13 Deposit due for Spring Hill 2012.** Get your \$50 to Micah to reserve your spot at Spring Hill (February 24-26).
- Nov 13 Spag's** Sr. High meets at Spag's at 7pm. \$5 for pizza and pop!

# SERVING MINISTRIES

Pastor David Krueger--Serving Ministries, david.krueger@williamstonfmc.org

## LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SERVE?

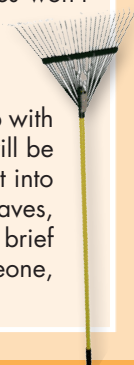


### FILL A SHOPPING CART, FEED A FAMILY

Drop off your donations to the shopping cart in the lobby, to help us restock our pantry and fill our gift baskets. We will soon be preparing our food baskets to hand out to families in need. If you would like to nominate a family to receive a basket, please contact Pastor Dave @ 655-3668. Help us to ensure their families won't go hungry.

## SERVING SUNDAY

Do you know of an individual or family that could use an afternoon of help with yardwork, maintenance or household upkeep? On November 13, we will be participating in our annual Serving Sunday. This is the day we all go out into the community to help people with various labor tasks such as raking leaves, trimming trees, washing windows, cleaning gutters, etc. We will have a brief service at 10am then head out into our community. If you know of someone, forward the information to Pastor Dave @ 655-3668.



# PRAYER WALL

## CONCERNS

Gloria Iiams great granddaughter Quincy is undergoing surgery to correct a heart problem.  
Pam Miller's father, Gordon Rogers battling cancer at home with hospice care  
Barb Vanderlaan's father who is receiving hospice care in his final days  
Jim Reynold's sister - diagnosed with ovarian cancer, begins chemo this week  
Sonja Davis - recovering from knee surgery  
Kathy McCabe - recovering from shoulder surgery  
Eric Jacob - recovering from wrist surgery

## HOSPITALIZED

Derek Jorgensen at Sparrow hospital

## WEEKLY FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR

Dan & Kari Mayville - Taylor, Kelsey, Kennedy & Collin  
Kathy McCabe  
Ken & Rhonda McCoy & Nick, Eric, Joey & Allison Bennett  
Karen McElroy & Megan

## WINDOW ON THE WORLD

**Brazil:** U.S. missionary Kevin Austin is currently in Brazil speaking and working with Youth With a Mission (YWAM) and Not For Sale groups to end modern-day slavery. Brazil has just surpassed Thailand as the number-one sex tourism destination in the world. NGOs and ministries are also gearing up for two large sporting events that attract traffickers and perpetrators. Pray for the Free Methodist Church in Brazil and elsewhere to proclaim holistic freedom and successfully combat human trafficking.

Would you like to join our prayer warriors? God answers prayers and He is listening at any time you talk with Him. Please call the office, 655-3668 to register to receive prayer requests.