

The Hidden Life
Oswald Chambers

The Spirit of God witnesses to the simple, almighty security of the life that is hidden with Christ in God. This is continually brought out in the Epistles. We talk as if living the sanctified life were the most precarious thing, when actually it's the most secure thing. The sanctified life has God in and behind it. Trying to live without God is what is precarious. If we're born again, it is the easiest thing to live in right relationship to God and the most difficult thing to go wrong. All we have to do is heed his warnings and walk in the light (1 John 1:7).

When we think of being delivered from sin, of being filled with the Spirit and walking in the light, we picture the peak of a great mountain, very high and wonderful—a peak so removed from everyday life that we think, “I could never live up there!” But when, by God's grace, we do get up there, we find that it isn't a peak at all but a great plateau with ample room to live and grow: “You provide a broad path for my feet, so that my ankles do not give way” (Psalm 18:36).

When you really do see Jesus, I defy you to doubt him. When he appears to you and says, “Do not let your hearts be troubled” (John 14:1), I defy you to trouble your mind. It's a moral impossibility to doubt when he is there. Every time you get into personal contact with Jesus, his words are real.

“My peace I give you” (v. 27). It's a peace all over—from the crown of the head to the soles of the feet, an irrepressible confidence. “Your life is now hidden with Christ in God,” and the unshakable peace of Jesus Christ is imparted to you.



FAITH COVENANT MINISTRIES

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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, August 25, 2024

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(**Congregation** responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

(Extemporaneous)

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

[I Need You](#) [Lord I Need You](#) [Draw Me Close to You](#)

[I Need You](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, as you have sent Jesus to be for us light and trust, send now your Spirit upon us so that we may have grace to hear and receive the truth, and strength to follow in His footsteps today, in Jesus's name we pray (and we all agree by saying)
Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Samuel 30:1-6 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you, Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 8:18-22 (NASB95)

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

[Glory to His Name](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 18 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you, Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

PASTORAL REMARKS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

O Lord our God, we have confessed our sins, and we stand on the promise that confession and repentance result in forgiveness and renewal. So, we seek Your forgiveness now praying the words Jesus taught his disciples saying...

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CORPORATE AFFIRMATION: NICENE CREED

BLESSING AND SENDING

Authorities we want to specifically pray for this week:

8th Circuit US Court of Appeals- Hon. Duane Benton

MO Eastern Appellate District- Judge Thomas Torbitzy

Judge Cristian Stevens

11th Judicial (St Charles Co) Chief Civil Court Clerk – Cheryl Crowder