

*Welcome*  
**YOU BELONG  
HERE**

**SUNDAY**  
**October 22, 2023**

Building Relationships That Lead to  
Gospel Transformation

**10:45 AM SERVICE**

House of the Lord  
Holy Water  
Great is Thy Faithfulness  
Amazing Grace  
Here's My Heart Lord

Message by  
Pastor Chris Watson  
Colossians 2:1-10  
"Be Rooted in Christ and Faith."

**NURSERY 10/22**

Bed Babies: NEED VOLUNTEERS  
Toddlers: Holly McElwaney & Sarah Phillips  
Childrens Church: Lisa Carroll/NEED VOLUNTEER

**WED. NIGHT MENU 10/25**

Hot Dog Bar with all the fixins, Dessert, Tea

**STEWARDSHIP GOALS**

2023 Offering Goal (YTD)	\$224,039.32
2023 Offering Received (YTD)	\$216,253.17
Offerings +over/-short YTD	-\$7,786.15

**Be Rooted in Christ and Faith**  
**Colossians 2:1-10**  
**October 22, 2023**

This week: being rooted in Christ, walking with each other, as we remain cautious of untruths.

*For I want you to know what a great conflict I have for you and those in Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh, 2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. **Colossians 2:1-3***

**Be encouraged (vs. 2-3)**

**Knit** together in love.

Riches and Assurance (1 John 5:13)

**Knowledge** thru His Word.

Treasures, also thru His Word and the relationship we have in and thru Him.

**Wisdom** that only comes from the Holy Spirit.

*4 Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words. 5 For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your good order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. 6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. **Colossians 2:4-7***

**Don't be deceived, but how? Steadfastness (vs. 4-7)**

The Christian walk is a walk, not a sprint!

**Rooted**

Built up

Established

As have been taught

Abounding in it **WITH THANKSGIVING**.

*8 Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ. 9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; 10 and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power. **Colossians 2:8-10***

**Beware**

Cheat you – philosophy, empty deceit, traditions of men, basic principles of the world, not to Christ.

As believers are ALREADY Complete in HIM!

Today we still battle these “traditions of men”:

Legalism (all truth, no grace- right by doing and comes across brash and unloving)

Easy believism, just believe, no obedience (you've trust Christ, now "live - Romans 8)

Health, wealth and prosperity Gospel

Not of the Spirit if not heal, speak in tongues.

Receiving of the Holy Spirit as a later happening not at salvation. Hype and emotionalism,

Best commentary on God's Word is God's Word!

Acts 2:40-47

**Prayer Focus:**

**Be encouraged.**

**Don't be deceived.**

**Walk in Truth while being aware.**