



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Pizza with the Pastors** – If you are new to Southwinds and would like to meet the Pastors, you are invited to *Pizza with the Pastors* on Sunday, November 7th at 12:15 (immediately following second service) in the Student Center. Join the Pastors for lunch and conversation. To sign up for the luncheon go to the Southwinds app or contact Pastor Chris Martinez at (209) 597-3052.
- **Foster Care Awareness Sunday** - On Sunday, November 14th we are bringing in Environmental Alternatives (EA) a local foster care agency here in Tracy. Come and meet the Social Worker and find out how you and your family can help either by becoming a foster care family or how to support foster families in our area. She will be available after both services. She will also be available during a luncheon in the Student Center starting at 12:15. To sign up for the luncheon go to the Southwinds app or contact Pastor Chris Martinez at (760) 685-5152.
- **Volunteers Needed** - We need volunteers in the following areas: Volunteer Captains, Greeters, Ushers, Levites, Parking Attendants and ERT. If, interested please contact Debbie Knapp at: dknapp@southwinds.org.
- **Student Volunteers Needed for Childcare** - We currently have a need on weeknights for childcare assistance - especially on Wednesday CARE night and on Friday nights with our Celebrate Recovery ministry. We offer both paid positions and service hours. Ages 14+ invited to apply. Please contact Pastor Chris Martinez at cmartinez@southwinds.org or by phone/text at 760-685-5152 for more information.

MY STORY

What are some things about God that people often misunderstand?

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

HAVE EVERYONE READ:

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
From there, he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

DIGGING DEEPER

Have a Volunteer Read: Matthew 16:13-17; Isaiah 53; Genesis 3:15

Point 1: Jesus is the Messiah.

“What Jesus is doing in these verses is pushing his disciples and us today to fight through all the cultural noise and opinions around what other people are saying about Jesus, and get crystal clear on what we believe. Here's why Jesus does this. Everything in life rises and falls on how we answer this question. “Who do you say that Jesus is?” Lots of opinions out there. But who do YOU say Jesus is?” – **Mike Nolen**

Why does everything rise and fall on our understanding of who Jesus is?

Why was it important that Jesus narrowed down the disciples understanding of who he was?

Have Another Volunteer Read: Hebrews 1:3; Colossians 1:15-17

Point 2: Jesus is the SON OF GOD.

“Look back at Matthew 16:16. Peter says, You are the Son of the living God. What does Peter mean? There’s so much here, but Peter’s central idea is that Jesus is divine. Jesus is God in the flesh. It’s the consistent NT witness.” – **Mike Nolen**

Describe some of the ways Paul described Jesus to the church at Colossae?

HAVE A VOLUNTEER READ: Philippians 2:9-11; John 14:6; Acts 4:11-12

Point 3: Jesus is LORD.

“It means Jesus has absolute authority over our lives. Notice how this line in the Creed moves from theological constructs to application... he is the Messiah... the Son of the living God, and... our Lord.” – **Mike Nolen**

How has making Jesus Lord made a difference in your life?

APPLICATION

MEMORIZE: Parts 1-3

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PRAISES

PRAYER REQUESTS