



Weekly Booster

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Four Gospels, One Jesus

When my oldest son was two years old, we took him to a portrait studio to have his picture taken. Two-year-olds are a bundle of emotions, and getting them to sit still through a photo shoot is a real challenge. During that short session, my son went through a range of moods, from contentment to laughter, to pouting, to anger, to tears. I remember looking through the proofs afterward. The first showed him serenely content, smiling at the camera. In the second, he was laughing delightedly as the photographer waved a stuffed animal in his face. In the next, he was beginning to get bored and had put on a cute little pout. The fourth showed him downright angry, with a defiant “just try to make me smile” look on his face. By the last shot, he had dissolved into tears. The poor little guy had had enough. Which of these pictures captured my son’s personality? The answer, of course, is all of them! Each one caught a different side of his multifaceted personality. Together they gave us an insightful glimpse into who he is.

This little story is a good analogy for the New Testament gospels. Each of the four gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John—paints a unique portrait of Jesus Christ.

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“God is the potter, we are only His clay.”

“Worry is a conversation with yourself. Prayer is a conversation with God.”

Reminders

November 5th

Men’s Bible Study – 8:00 a.m.
Set your clocks back one hour before going to bed.

November 6th

Communion Sunday
Sunday School All Ages, 10:30 am
Confirmation – 6:00 p.m.
HS Youth Group – 7:00 p.m.

November 9th

Praise Team - 5:00 p.m.
Choir – 6:45 p.m.

November 10th

T.O.P.S. – 5:30 p.m.

****Worship Assistants are needed for November 20th & 27th**

**** Fellowship Volunteers needed sign-up in Fellowship Hall**

Posted on the bulletin next to the prayer board is a “thank you” card from Libby Ehlers for the scholarship she received from the church.

Four Gospels - Continued from page 1

Each provides special insight into who he is and what he accomplished. The Gospels exhibit both unity and diversity, bearing witness to the same Jesus (unity) but viewing him from unique perspectives (diversity).

Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
The Gospel of The Messiah	The Gospel of the suffering Son of God	The Gospel of the Savior for all people	The Gospel of the eternal Son who reveals the Father
Most structured	Most dramatic	Most thematic	Most theological

What are these four unique portraits? At the risk of oversimplifying, we may say that Matthew presents Jesus as the Jewish Messiah, the fulfillment of Old Testament hopes; Mark portrays him as the suffering Son of God, who offers himself as a sacrifice for sins; Luke’s Jesus is the Savior for all people, who brings salvation to all nations and people groups; and in John, Jesus is the eternal Son of God, the self-revelation of God the Father, who came to bring eternal life to all who believe. These are not contradictory portraits but complementary ones. Having four gospels gives us a deeper, more profound understanding of Christology—the nature of Jesus’ person and work.

Not only are the Gospels unique in their portraits of Jesus, but they are also unique in their presentations. Mark is the most dramatic of the four, a powerful and fast-moving story that grips the reader from beginning to end. Matthew is the most structured of the Gospels, crafted around five carefully ordered teaching sections. Luke is the most thematic, with themes like God’s love for the lost, the role of the Spirit, and Jerusalem’s role in God’s plan resurfacing again and again. John’s is the most theological of the four, with more explicit statements concerning Jesus’ identity and purpose. I should add that all of the Gospels are all of these things—dramatic, structured, thematic, and theological—but they have important differences in emphasis.

Taken from [Four Portraits, One Jesus, 2nd Edition: A Survey of Jesus and the Gospels](#), written by Mark L. Strauss

“The teakettle sings even when it’s up to its neck in hot water.”

Volunteers Needed



Church Office Hours

**** Children & Jr.-Sr. High Sunday School** 10:15
Questers (Adults) 10:30

****Chancel Choir –**
 Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.
 Sunday 8:30 a.m.

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Monday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Tuesday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Wednesday
 CLOSED

Thursday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Friday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



Who slept in a prison between two soldiers?

- a) Peter
- b) James
- c) John
- d) Paul

What name did the sons of Israel give the bronze serpent that Moses made in the wilderness?

- a) Dagon
- b) Tefnut
- c) Mehit
- d) Abishai

Who said, “A bridegroom of blood!”?

- a) Rebekah
- b) Rachel
- c) Sarah
- d) Zipporah

Check page 4 for answers in next week’s booster

Birthdays and Anniversaries



6th – Richard Perry, Mesa Tackett, Jim & Sallie Brownlee

7th – Jamie Stribling

10th – Mike Briggs, Michelle Morelock

11th – Chuck Oxenford, Matthew Volker

12th – Randall MacDonald

****See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office, or send an email to office@shen.church**

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Services are now on our Youtube
channel only. <http://bit.ly/3skF0p9>

*Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: *Terry Stafford*

Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome this day to a celebration of hope and abundance

People: We have come from a busy week in which we have been pulled this way and that, with demands on our lives, our time, our energy.

L: Come and rest in the Lord who heals and restores you.

P: We need this restoration in all of our lives

L: Pour out your needs to the Lord who will always hear and respond

P: Lord, we praise you and seek your calming spirit in our lives.

“Resurrection Questions”

Old Testament Reading: Haggai 1:15b-2:9

New Testament Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Third Scripture Reading: Luke 20:27-40

Songs

For All the Saints #771

It Is Well with My Soul #377

All My Hope (Offering)

He Lives #310

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship 63

Online Worship – 12

Our Mission:

“Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love.”

Our Vision:

“We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a difference in our world.”

Answers for Oct 30th are d) Eutychus a) Shimei d) 180

Quiz Hints – Q1) Acts Q2) 2Kings Q3) Exodus

Over twenty-eight years ago, concerned citizens in the Shenandoah community had a dream of all community families having a happy and healthy holiday and formed the **Adopt-A-Family** project. Our church will provide a local family-in-need with a brighter holiday with gifts appropriate for their age or need. No adult information will be given, this way we can help the children in more families. The Quester's Sunday School Class is undertaking this project for the church. This year we will be able to ask for contributions of money in the Mission Cans as we have done before. The mission Cans are placed on top of the wooden offering boxes and just inside the middle set of the sanctuary doors. As soon as I receive the information from the **Adopt-A-Family** committee regarding the size of the family and items on their wish list, I will put the information in the Booster. Thanks for your ongoing support for this important community project. *Edi Norris*



Yes, it is that time of the year! Don't forget to set your clocks **back one hour** before going to bed tonight.



We are ready to take your orders for poinsettias to help decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas season. If you are interested in purchasing one "In Honor" or "In Memory of" please fill out a POINSETTIA ORDER FORM that is located on the Welcome Center information desk. Each poinsettia is \$15.00. Please put your prep-paid check or cash and order form in the envelope provided with the form and place it in the wooden offering boxes.

We encourage you to order early and appreciate your kindness in helping make our sanctuary colorful for the Christmas season.

F.Y.I. the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 406 East Pioneer Avenue, will be holding a "Soup and Pie Supper" with entertainment on Saturday, November 12, 2022, with supper from 5:00-7:00 p.m. followed by the Bill Sons Musical Program at 7:00 p.m. This is a free-will offering and no cost to attend the concert. If you can't get to the supper, you are welcome to come for the musical program.





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Open Minds.
Open Doors.

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From November 2-5 the North Central Jurisdictional Conference of The United Methodist Church is gathering in Fort Wayne, IN. Why does this matter? In the UMC the highest legislative body is the General Conference. As the UMC grew, it became necessary for the General Conference to delegate some responsibilities to smaller geographic areas called Jurisdictions. Within the United States, there are five: Northeastern, Southeastern, North Central, South Central, and Western. Iowa is a part of the North Central Jurisdiction which also includes Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the Dakotas. Our representative delegates to the Jurisdictional Conference were voted upon by the Iowa Annual Conference including both clergy and laity. The responsibilities of the Jurisdictional Conference are 1) the election and oversight of bishops, 2) the election of members to general boards and agencies of the UMC, 3) support mission agencies within the boundaries of the jurisdiction, 4) setting the boundaries of annual conferences, 5) and electing members to an appeals board for church trials.

The biggest impact that we will see from this year's Jurisdictional Conference is the appointment of a new bishop for Iowa beginning January 1, 2023. At the end of August, Bishop Laurie Haller announced her retirement saying, "Thank you for your prayers over these past six years. Thank you for your gracious spirit. Thank you for the hope that is in you. And thank you for the opportunity that each one of us has to make a positive difference in our world. Thanks be to God!"

As the days unfold, please be in prayer for the churches of Iowa, and for the person that the Jurisdictional Conference discerns to be our new bishop.

Grace and peace,

Pastor David B. Clark

