

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

May 29, 2016 8:30 & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann
Piano Wendy Baldwin
Announcements Ron Mock

MEDITATION

Ephesians 5:1-5 "Walking in Love" opposite page

Doxology
Scripture Reading and Prayer Psalm 137-138
Hymns 140, 141
Pastoral Prayer
Hymns 790 verse 3, 799
Message "Salt and Light – A Fitting Memorial"
Matthew 5:13-16 Pastor Cal VanderMey
Hymn 804 "Battle Hymn of the Republic"
Benediction

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

No Youth Group Monday 6:30-8pm. Ages 8 and up
Bible study Tues at **7pm** on Eschatology-Study of End Times- Ernie Beck
No Precept class on Tuesday with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm
Precept study Thursday at 9:15am. – Hosea- Margaret Was
Thursday at 10am Ladies Bible Fellowship led by Elsa Peters
Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell leading
Saturday at 1pm ladies ice cream social
Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz
The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary

BFC Multipurpose/Utility Building \$31,400 to build-received \$16,715
Missions Corner: Looking for "Soft Toothbrushes" to go with the
102,568 tubes of toothpaste! Wow!

See Louise Bellefeuille and Lois Seidel

Memorial Day is a time to remember those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. Remember them amongst all the picnics and fellowship time.
Please take a flower and find a cemetery and place it at the grave of a veteran sometime over the Memorial weekend.

Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. ² And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. ³ But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; ⁴ neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. ⁵ For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

"Therefore" means for the Apostle Paul that we must go back to what was just said and see how that now leads us to a further development. From what was said in chapter 4, we are told to become imitators or mimics of God. As children are to imitate their father whom they love, so Christians are to imitate the Father whom they love—God. Verse 2 describes two key elements of Christian conduct—"walk" and "love." The Christian life is described as a walk, and if you are following Christ it will be a walk in love. Love is the area in which a child of God is to walk. In verses 3-5 Paul sets out several lines of conduct which are to have no part in the Christian life and which cannot be considered as a part of the life of one who is walking in love. To show what love is not, Paul marks out a number of evil practices that have no part in the Christian life. To stay away from fornication and all uncleanness refers to the need for moral purity. Covetousness is descriptive of greed which causes one to yearn for that which is not theirs, Paul says that these practices are not to even be mentioned as they do not fit the proper conduct for saints—those who have been called out. Foolish talking and idle jesting seem to be the substance of most of the modern day situation comedies on television. They are not in the pale of the Christian life and are detrimental to it. *The heart of what Paul is saying is made clear in verse 5 where he says that believers should know full well that a life dominated by immorality or covetousness means that one is not a part of Christ's kingdom.*