

## **BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER**

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### **THE LORD'S DAY**

March 5, 2017 8:30 & 10:15AM

### **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Organ Prelude      Carol Dammann  
Piano      Wendy Baldwin

### **MEDITATION**

“Thought Questions from Jonah” - opposite page

Announcements		Ron Mock
Doxology		
Prayer and Scripture Reading		Psalm 119:25-32
Hymns 226, 227		
Communion		
Hymn of Praise 372	“Our God Reigns”	
Message	Colossians 4:7-18	Pastor Cal VanderMey
Hymn 425	“Bind Us Together”	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**

Youth Group Monday at 6:30pm  
Prayer Meeting Monday from 7-8pm – all welcome  
Tuesday Precept at 6:30pm on James – Wendy Baldwin teaching  
Tuesday Bible study at 7pm on Titus - Pastor Cal teaching  
Wednesday Men's Bible study – Jim O'Rourke teaching  
Choir Rehearsal Wednesday at 7pm  
Thursday Precept at 9:15 on Romans – Margaret Was teaching  
Ladies fellowship Thursday at 10am – Elsa Peters  
Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell teaching  
\*The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary\*

Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

Looking at Jonah 3:2, what spiritual truth is suggested by the words: “Arise, go.”

These are the exact same words that God used when he first commissioned Jonah.

In those words, Jonah is given a second chance not only at life, but for ministry. We find here one of the many times when God gives a second chance to one who has failed miserably. Let's make sure we do that for our loved ones!

What different attitudes of heart do you think are involved in genuine repentance?

Jonah 3:8 gives a textbook look at the subject of repentance. The king of that area told the people and animals to “cry mightily to God.” For repentance to be genuine, there must first be an unstoppable sorrow of heart that just causes you to realize how far you are from God. When you cry out to God, you are asking Him to forgive your trespasses. The other word in Jonah 3:8 that is mentioned as a command by the king is “turn.” A lot of people feel sorry for what they have done, and then go back to doing it again. The king commanded the people to cry out for forgiveness, and then to change their behavior. Repentance in its truest sense carries the thought of turning in the opposite direction. Have you ever driven down a side street in an unknown area to take on onramp to the thruway, in the rain or a snow storm only to suddenly see a sign: WRONG WAY! DO NOT ENTER! For the sake of the lives of all in the car, you repented, and threw the car in reverse. That is what the king senses as the one who bears the responsibility for the welfare and livelihood of the people. He tells them to turn from their wicked ways to seek the Lord. Never be afraid to turn a soul from the wide road that leads only to destruction!

Ladies Movie Night Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm!!!

\*\*Anyone interested in joining the choir please see Dawn Fraser\*\*