

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership

Interested in becoming a member at TLEFC or just want to learn more about what membership entails? Pastor Tim would love to sit down with you to help you learn more about membership and the next steps towards becoming a member.

December Events

December 12: Golden Ones senior group cookie exchange & movie night 4:00
December 17: Children's Christmas program 10:45
December 21: Women's Common Ground 6:30
December 24: Christmas Eve worship service 6:00

Fighter Verses Scripture Memory

Starting in January, we will begin a year of Scripture Memory as a church by utilizing Fighter Verses churchwide curriculum.

Dallas Willard says, *"Bible memorization is absolutely fundamental to spiritual formation. If I had to choose between all the disciplines of the spiritual life, I would choose Bible memorization, because it is a fundamental way of filling our minds with what it needs."*

More information is available in the bulletin insert and at fighterverses.com.

Give

To give to the ministry of TLEFC, offerings can be placed in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary, or you can give online at tlefc.org/give. You can also give online by scanning the QR code on the right.



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Todays Volunteers

Building Steward: Bill L.

Nursery: Lauren W. & Epplers

Ushers: Chuck B. & Scott E.

Welcome Table: Wendy W.

Welcome Ministry: Don & Nina L.

Ian Stewart

Youth and Family Pastor

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Sunday, December 17

Eric G.

Bob & Melissa W.

Dave K. & John W.

Cindy P.

Brad & Barb L.

THREE LAKES EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH SUNDAY • DECEMBER 10, 2023



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*We are a community that strives to **REACH** people with the gospel of Jesus Christ, **GROW** to be like Christ, and **SERVE** others.*

Galatians 3:1-14

Oh, foolish Galatians! Who has cast an evil spell on you? For the meaning of Jesus Christ's death was made as clear to you as if you had seen a picture of his death on the cross. 2 Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the Holy Spirit by obeying the law of Moses? Of course not! You received the Spirit because you believed the message you heard about Christ. 3 How foolish can you be? **After starting your new lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human effort?** 4 Have you experienced so much for nothing? Surely it was not in vain, was it? 5 I ask you again, does God give you the Holy Spirit and work miracles among you because you obey the law? Of course not! It is because you believe the message you heard about Christ. 6 In the same way, "Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith." 7 The real children of Abraham, then, are those who put their faith in God. 8 What's more, the Scriptures looked forward to this time when God would make the Gentiles right in his sight because of their faith. God proclaimed this good news to Abraham long ago when he said, "All nations will be blessed through you." 9 So all who put their faith in Christ share the same blessing Abraham received because of his faith. 10 But those who depend on the law to make them right with God are under his curse, for the Scriptures say, "Cursed is everyone who does not observe and obey all the commands that are written in God's Book of the Law." 11 So it is clear that no one can be made right with God by trying to keep the law. For the Scriptures say, "It is through faith that a righteous person has life." 12 This way of faith is very different from the way of law, which says, "It is through obeying the law that a person has life." 13 But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing. For it is written in the Scriptures, "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." 14 Through Christ Jesus, God has blessed the Gentiles with the same blessing he promised to Abraham, so that we who are believers might receive the promised Holy Spirit through faith.

GALATIANS

JESUS + NOTHING

The gospel is both how we are made righteous, AND how we grow in righteousness.

Your own human effort is not:

1) What saves you

2) What sanctifies you

3) What secures you

4) What elevates you