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“Three More Words”

Okay, so last week, I didn't tell you what the “three little words” were that were the focus of last Sunday's sermon. Obviously, when we talk about three little words, the first ones that come to mind are “I Love You.” They're not only the first ones that come to mind but the best ones. Right now in the life of Eastminster, the three little words that you see to the right - “Why I Give” -are very important to us.

But last week, the three little words were words that were at the very end of our scripture reading, seemingly throwaway words that had no bearing on the actual passage. In truth, those words spoke a great deal – not just about the individual involved but about all of us.

This week, we'll look at another set of three words but this time, those three words should be very familiar to all of us as part of the Eastminster family.

Read Mark 12:28-34 where we find “Three More Words.”

Blessings,
Dennis

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Jim Robinson who passed away on October 22, 2018.

Prayers & Concerns

Please pray for the following: Angela Bethel & Melba Hutchinson, Greg, Charles & Thomas Terry. If you have a prayer request, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or contact the Church Office.

WHY I GIVE...

- It's my obligation
- Because I love God
- As thanks to God
- To be blessed by giving
- To support my church
- To help others through my church
- To invest in the community
- Because everything I have belongs to God
- To honor those who came before us and as a legacy for the future
- By giving, I grow spiritually

Ladies' Night Out

All women are invited to join in the fun at Ladies' Night Out. We will be meeting on Tuesday, November 13 at 6 p.m. Please call the church at 812/476-3355 to sign up or to get more information.

Sunday, November 4, 2018

8:00 A.M. Service

Liturgist

Dottie Mans

Usher

Matt Fiedler

10:30 A.M. Service

Liturgist

Pam Doerter

Head Usher

Mel Ellsperman

Ushers & Greeters

Carrie Mogavero & Team
Marilyn Ellsperman, Pat & Jayne Manis

Acolyte

Chloe Webb

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Rachel Luttrull - Organist
Erin Tipton - Christian Ed Director

Church Office Hours

M - Th: 8:30 -4:00 P.M.
Friday: 8:30 - Noon

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Why I Give

Those are three very simple words. When Gary first asked me to say a few words about this, I thought the answer would be simple. It would be things like the Bible tells us "It is better to give than receive." It also tells us that we can't out give God, no matter how much we give because even when I do give things to God through the church, he gives them back to me each and every day. The answer is a lot more complicated.

So, in my normal course of trying to decide what would be a meaningful message, I went to the all knowing - the internet...and of course, the Lord.

But frankly after many days of trying to sort this out in my mind, I realized the answer isn't one or two things but a lifetime of past and current experiences. It is a core value of our existence and relationship with God.

My first memories of giving are as a small child going to Sunday School and putting our quarter in the offering plate. Church and offering just went together, like peanut butter and jelly. You can't have one without the other.

If you think about it, as parents, what is one of the first lessons we teach our toddlers - it is to share - share their mom, share their toys, and share their treats. So, sharing our money with God through the church is just something that we have been teaching for years and just another form of sharing.

Probably one of the most memorable giving moments for me was my grandmother's example of giving to her church. My grandmother was a devout Baptist in a small church on the south side of Chicago, who lived a very meager life. She was the ultimate recycler, grew a lot of her own food and sewed most of her own clothes, bed linens and anything that could be made, she made it. At one point, when she was in her 70's her small church desperately needed a new kitchen. Even though, she budgeted almost every cent, she and a few other widowed friends just like her, decided they would donate all the funds to get that kitchen.

It was their legacy, it was their way of thanking God for having their church family. She could have used that money for some new clothes or to go out to eat, or buy a new car, but she would sacrifice all of that for a new kitchen for her church. Her example of thankfulness and selflessness has been a constant reminder in my life.

Now, here we are today, I have been very blessed with a great family and a great church family. Our church is a place that we can turn down the noise of our lives and let God be our calming peace. My husband grew up in this church, followed by our children for which I am very thankful and now we are fortunate to have our grandson here. So, why would I not give? I want the future for our children and grandchildren to be full of blessings. So maybe the question should be, "Why Would I Not Give?." It is an opportunity to continue the blessings that I have been fortunate to have in my life.

God bless all of you!
Susan Parsons

COMMUNION ELDERS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2018

Karla Horrell	Dick Yeager
Corey Fritz	Marilyn Ellsperman
Carrie Mogavero	Gary Pennington
Donna Cooke	Shannon Irmscher

YOUTH GROUP

OFFICE HOURS EVERY THURSDAY
4:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

This Sunday, November 4, we will meet for Youth Group where we will have a lesson and then a time of fellowship.

I hope to see you in The Place,
Trey



November 2018

Anniversaries

11/3 Rick & Stacy Lockard
11/6 Andrew & Cheryl Gregg
11/9 Mel & Marilyn Ellsperman
11/10 Jason & Leslie Webb
11/11 Bob & Susan Parsons

Birthdays

11/1 Erika Weil
11/2 Mike Stauth
11/4 Addison Kuhs
11/5 Russ Genet
11/6 Rob Engelbrecht
Tracey Manis
Luke Nicholson
11/7 Cole Irmscher
Harold Post
Evan Tipton
11/8 Sue Goodloe
11/10 Rick Lockard
11/14 Jonathan VanCleave
11/15 Virgie Foley
Brad Mogavero
11/17 Allen Sanderson
11/21 Thomas Goodloe, Jr
11/23 Douglas Miller
11/24 Gary Van Zandt
11/25 Landon Shofstall
11/27 Melissa Mattingly
11/28 LaVonda Abbott
Tim Fiedler
Brian Moore
11/29 Linda Moore
11/30 Hayden Whittedge

Sunday Schedule

8:00 Worship
9:00 Sunday School
10:00 -10:30 Fellowship
10:30 Worship
6:00 PM Youth Group

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours 7 PM Choir	2	3 7 PM "My Joy - My Treasure" 
4	5 6 PM Grief Matters	6 9 AM Quilters 9:15 AM Staff Meeting 6:55 Men's Bible Study	7 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel 1 PM: EPW 6PM: Deacons	8 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours 6 PM New Member Class 7 PM Choir	9 5:30 PM: Cooking with a Chef	10 Serve at Sister JoAnna's Table 
11 11:30 New Member Reception	12 6 PM Grief Matters	13 9 AM Quilters 9:15 AM Staff Meeting 6:15 Ladies Night Out 6:55 Men's Bible Study	14 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel 6 PM Assembly Night	15 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours 7 PM Choir	16	17
18 10:30 AM Thanksgiving Processional 	19 1 PM Bridge	20 9 AM Quilters 9:15 AM Staff Meeting 6:55 Men's Bible Study	21 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel	22 Office Closed HAPPY  THANKSGIVING		24
25	26	27 9 AM Quilters 9:15 AM Staff Meeting Noon - Book Club 6:55 Men's Bible Study	28 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel 6 PM Session	29 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours 7 PM Choir	30	