

Calling believers to:

Love God

Love His Word

Love Dryden

Welcome to Worship

Mar 30, 2025

Prayer Notes:

IN the FOYER:

- assistive hearing devices are available (ask an usher)

On the Calendar:

Apr 02 (Wed) @ 7:30am Men's Morning Bible Study

Apr 02 (Wed) @ 7:00pm Prayer and Bible Study

Apr 03 (Thurs) @ 10:00am MOM Group

Apr 04 (Fri) @ 7:00pm Fired Up Friday

Apr 05 (Sat) @ 8:30am Men's Prayer Time

Apr 05 (Sat) @ 10:30am Sonshine Saturday

Apr 05 (Sat) @ 1:00pm Studying the Bible (Young Adults)

Apr 08 (Tues) @ 10:00 Packaging – Cookie Ministry

Apr 09-11 Delivery – Cookie Ministry

Apr 10 (Thurs) @ 6:30 Watoto Children's Choir at DFGC – offering

Apr 18 (Fri) @ 10:30 Good Friday Worship (offering for Right to Life Thunder Bay & Area)

Apr 20 (Sun) @ 10:30 Easter Sunday Worship

EASTER




COOKIE MINISTRY

Packaging Cookies on
Tues April 8
@ 10:00am

Please consider helping to deliver these cookies.
Contact Pastor Adam.

“in deed and in truth”

1 John 3:18 ESV




*Little children,
 let us not love
 in word or talk
 but in deed and
 in truth...*

1 John 3:18-22
April 6th

John 

God plants in the dirt...
 and makes something
 beautiful.

DRYDEN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP
FRIDAY APRIL 4
AT 7:00PM

FIRED UP FRIDAYS

- Sat. Apr 5 @ 10:30 - noon
- at Dryden First Baptist Church
- games, snack, story & craft
- ages: JK - Gr 6



Sonshine Saturday

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Eyes to the skies!

Good Friday • Apr 18 • 10:30am • at DFBC

WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT FRIDAY?
SUNDAY IS COMING!



Devotional and Prayer Time



MOM Group

- April 3 (Thurs) at 10:00-11:30am
- Talk to Alexzandria if you have questions
- Bring a snack for your child
- Childcare available
- Coffee/Tea available for the moms

PRAY FOR THESE WORKS OF THE CHURCH.

Dryden First Baptist Church

Worship Times and Some of Our Activities:

Sunday Services are held at 10:30am

Junior Church (4-9) and Toddler Program (2-3) occurs during the worship hour.

Nursery facilities are available for parents to use.

Sonshine Saturday is 10:30am-12:00 on scheduled months.

Fired Up Fridays is held bi-weekly during the school year.

Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study at 7:00pm

(watch for announcements or check Facebook)

Social Media:

Facebook - Dryden First Baptist Church

Facebook - Sonshine Saturday

YouTube - Christian Canuck

Website - firstbaptistchurchdryden.com



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Clerk - Ken Wickstrom

Dead Faith vs. Saving Faith: Cain, Christ, and the Cross (1 John 3:14-17)

1 John 3:14-17 English Standard Version

¹⁴ We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. ¹⁵ Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

¹⁶ By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. ¹⁷ But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

Introduction

Review and Background

1) (3:14-15) Death to Life

(3:14) We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers.

a) knowing with certainty

b) transferred from death to life

- we need the new life in Jesus because we were all once dead in sin

- Adam and Eve brought death when they rebelled against God's command found in Genesis 2

Genesis 2:17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

- because of the rebellion of Adam and Eve they brought death to all humanity

Ephesians 2:1-3 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience-- ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

- this is the condition of every human being apart from the grace of God through Jesus Christ

Ephesians 2:4-5 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved--

- in 1 John 3:14 - assurance of our faith in Christ if our life is characterized by loving the fellow Christians

c) love characterizes the new life

Whoever does not love abides in death.

d) what of those who do not love

(3:15) Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.

e) remember what Jesus said of hatred



- John reaffirms Jesus' teaching that if you hate your brother it is as if you have murdered him

Matthew 5:21-22 "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.' ²² But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire.

f) the grace of Jesus changes people

2) (3:16) Death of Jesus

(3:16) By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us,

a) examples to learn from

- in 1 John 3:10, John uses the example of the devil to show what a life of sin looks like

- in 1 John 3:12, John uses the example of Cain to show what a life of hatred and murder looks like

- but in 1 John 3:16, John gives the positive example of Jesus Christ to show what a life of love looks like

b) Jesus: a life of love

- in the gospel of John, we read about the amazing love of Jesus on the cross

John 10:14-15 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep.

John 15:13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.

c) walk as Jesus walked

3) (3:17) Don't Close Your Heart

(3:17) But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

a) a brother in need

- John reminds us of what James commands about those who are in need in the body of Christ

James 2:15-16 If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

b) a closed hand is unloving

- if we have closed hands towards our fellow believers, then we have closed and unloving hearts

- if we have a dead love towards fellow believers John says we have a dead faith!

Application

1) Delight in the Amazing Love of Jesus

a) the amazing, generous, love of Jesus

- we need to hear about the amazing love of Jesus again as described in 1 John 3:16

1 John 3:16 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.

- it is amazing how much 1 John 3:16 is similar to John 3:16

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

b) amazing substitutionary atonement

- in 1 John 3:16, we are reminded of the amazing work of Jesus - "substitutionary atonement"

c) Jesus died for his enemies

- this amazing love is described by Paul in the Book of Romans

Romans 5:7-10 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die-- ⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

d) do you have joy and satisfaction?

- if you do not have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ, today is the day, to consider Jesus and trust Jesus and His work on the cross

- the world will not offer you eternal life

- your sin will not offer you eternal life or joy

- but Jesus showed His amazing love so that you could have joy, forgiveness and eternal life

- trust Him and His work accomplished on the cross for you

2) Death of Jesus is the Example of Love

a) Jesus is the greatest example of love

- 1 John 3:12 the negative example of hate and anti-love

- 1 John 3:16 amazing example of love found in the person of Jesus Christ

b) Paul attests to the love of Jesus

- we see this in the writings of Paul in the book of Ephesians

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,

- Paul points Christians to the love of Jesus Christ
- because of the amazing love of Jesus shown to Christians they are to walk in love toward one another

c) looking to Christ for our model of grace

3) Christian, Give Generously

- a) open hands, ready to serve
- in 1 John 3:17, John exhorts Christians to give generously

1 John 3:17 But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

b) see yourself as a steward

c) because of Christ, love and be generous



**Prepare your heart for communion next Sunday.
Next Sunday there will be a luncheon and the benevolent collection.**