

### The Glorious Doctrine of Justification by Faith

We could marvel over so many things in God justifying unworthy sinners, but the one we will focus on in this short article is one's merit before God. When we think of this doctrine of justification, many think of one being pardoned. There is truth in that thinking, as justification is a legal term. It has changed our status before God. When I married my wife, nothing about me changed at that moment but my status before God went from engaged to married. In the same sense, when justified my status changed before God from guilty to not guilty. This is why many people have simplified the justified definition to "just as if I have never sinned." However, justification is more than just a pardon from sin, to be pardoned alone would still leave one without any worth or merit before God. That's why when God justifies, He imputes the perfect righteousness of Christ onto the sinner. Jesus Christ's merit is the solid rock on which all believers stand before God. So justification doesn't just free us from sin, it fills us with the righteousness of Christ himself before God. That glorious doctrine has to draw you to worship.

#### **NEW BIBLE STUDY COMING SOON**

Mark Ort will be teaching and leading this worthwhile study, starting Wednesday, September 18th, at 6:30pm in the Sunday School room!

Each Wednesday night for the next several months, we plan to meet together to discover the exciting, life-altering truths from the book of Psalms that will profoundly impact the way we worship and how we pray. There is always a great

need for prayer, so after each Bible lesson we will pray together as a group. Please make some time in your mid-week schedule to come - and invite your friends and family to come and participate with us.

## Ladies Bible Study

#### Tuesday Evenings 6:30pm - 8:00pm Starting September 17th

Let's face it ladies... we all struggle somewhat with control. Whether it's taking control, getting out from under control, or losing control.

We're inviting you to join us in taking a deeper dive into 7 ladies in the Bible that took control and discuss how to lay down this burden and find rest in surrendering to the One who is truly in control.



9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Wórship 6:30 Bible Study

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6:30 Men's 6:30 Women's

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10:30 Senior Bible Study 7:00 20's & 30's Bible Study

7:00 Friday

5:00 Community Meal (2nd & 3rd of every month)

# 2025 Ladies Conference - We are Looking for Volunteers!!!

We will be LIVE STREAMING the Ladies Conference in 2025 ~ March 31- April 2



#### ~ Marketing, Administration, Food Services, Worship, Setup / Facilities...and more

If you are interested in learning more or have great ideas - please join us on Sunday Sept 22nd after Church in the Sunday School room.

## TRUNK OR TREAT



Plan to come to the church on Thursday, October 24th for Trunk or Treat. 6:30pm - 8:30pm

We would love for all the families of North Street to bring their vehicles, decorate your trunks, and bless the kids that come to check it out. This is an outreach event of North Street. We want to meet our community and tell them about who Jesus is. Pastor Jake will share the gospel, there will be snacks and drinks, and your job is to come and fill the parking lot with cars. Start to plan for this now.

Bell Choir

We are resurrecting our bell choir at NSCC. We have 3 octaves of bells and are in need of ringers. If you are interested please see Sue Wolski for more information or call her at 724-612-3650. You do not need to know how to read music. We are planning on playing a song during the Christmas season and will be starting practice very soon.

