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NO FEAR

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*Psalm 46:1-2
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea...*

Between 1990 and the early 2000's the No Fear brand of clothing rose and waned. The slogan celebrated extreme sports by implying that those who participated in such activities had no fear of death, or social norms, etc. The brand celebrated the courage (or recklessness) of its fans. Grounded Christians often also

adopt a "no fear" attitude towards life – not because of their personal fortitude, but because of their powerful spiritual Ally.

According to verse two of Psalm 46, the author will not fear in the face of catastrophic events. Even if the earth gives way or mountains be moved into heart of the sea. That is, in the face of drastic societal or global upheavals, or deep personal distresses, the believer will not surrender to crippling fear. He will face life with absolute confidence. Why? Because God is his refuge and strength. The believer has placed his full trust in the God of the universe. He has determined to look to God for protection and strength. With the Almighty God on his side, he can face whatever life dispenses.

It is instructive to note that having God as a refuge does not remove the possibility of challenges and catastrophes. But the presence of God guarantees the security of those who trust in Him. God keeps us safe in the midst of the disruptions.

How are you facing life with all its uncertainties and challenges? What gives you hope and confidence that you will survive – even thrive? If you are anchored in Christ, you have grounds for supreme confidence. When we rest in Christ, we will not fear.

God bless you,

Pastor James

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHAT'S HAPPENING

CORPORATE PRAYER
TUE @ 7 PM

FEB 28

Join us via Zoom video
Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

YOUTH GROUP
FRI @ 6:45 PM

MAR 3

In-person at church.
For teens ages 13 and over

EVENING SERVICE
1st & 3rd
SUN @ 6 PM

MAR 5 & MAR 19

Join us in-person at church

KIDZONE & NURSERY
SUN @ 11 AM

MAR 5

These ministries are available every Sunday during the morning service
Kidzone for ages 6-12 yrs. old.

GROWTH GROUPS
THU & FRI @ 7 PM

Continue this week Plan to attend one convenient to you. Sign-up on our website or the Info. Ctr.

MAR 2 & MAR 3

In-person at church.

WORSHIP SERVICE
SUN @ 11 AM

MAR 5

In-person service and Livestreaming on Facebook, Youtube and our webpage.

- Explore Mountain Stream Classes for those interested in becoming members of Mountain Stream or just finding out more about our church begin Sunday March 19 @ 10 am. Please sign up at the Information Center to attend.
- Evening Service Sunday @ 6 pm. Browse through the book of Romans in preparation for our study on how to be a Competent Counselor.
- Save the date: Vacation Bible School will be from July 17-21. Be praying how God might use you in this ministry.
- Growth Groups continue this week at 7 pm at church. Sign up at the Information Center or online to attend one convenient to you. Questions are available at the Information Center or on our website @ www.mountainstreamchurch.com.
- If you'd like to be part of the church's refreshment team, please contact Lori Ditaranto for details.
- Join us on 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 3:15 at the Garden at Stroud as we sing and share the gospel with the residents. Contact Tom for more information.
- Bible Reading plans for 2023 are available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings via the link on our website.
- Calvary School of the Bible (CBS) offers a 3-year program with courses on Christian living, ministries, theology, and Bible book surveys. Check out this link to some uploaded classes www.cbpcosonos.org and contact H. Lee Thompson directly at hleet1412@gmail.com for more information.

QUICK TIPS ON WAYS TO GIVE YOUR OFFERING

Traditional during the Sunday morning service, with a check by mail or through our secured website. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!