



The Sugar River

SOURCE

October 25th 2009

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Sugar River exists for families, friends, and neighbors to gather in faith, experience God, serve others, and become devoted followers of Christ.

This Week At the River

OCTOBER 25TH · TODAY'S LESSON

Texts: 1 Timothy 6:10b, Ecclesiastes 5:10, Matthew 16:26

TODAY:

Worship 8:30 and 10:15am; Adult Bible Study 8:30-9:30am; Middle School Growth Group 9:40-10:10am; Children's Christmas program practice 9:35 - 10:10am; High School Band Practice 5:30- 6:30pm; High School Youth Group 6:30 - 8:00pm; Women's Book Club 7:00pm

Tuesday: Women's Morning Growth Group 10:30am; Men's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm; High School Guys Growth Group 7:30pm

Wednesday: PUSH 8:30am; Couples Group 6:30pm; Confirmation Class

Thursday: Men's Morning Growth Group 6:30am; Sugar River Band Rehearsal 6:00pm; Men's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm; Women's Evening Growth Group 7:00pm

Friday: Women's Morning Growth Group 9:00-10:30am

The Source

For the Source . . .

Where: source@tds.net or 845-5855

When: Noon on Wednesday

For the Calendar . . .

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When: Noon on Wednesday (prior to last Sunday of month for print)

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When Dreams Become Nightmares

This week at Sugar River we will begin our series on Enough. We look at the promises of the American Dream and how it often leads to nightmares. What does God have to say through scriptures about our goals and practices of life? May we all gain a deeper sense of joy through our commitment to simplicity and generosity.

Please note that the order of worship for this week is located on the last page of this Source.

Worship Preparation for NOVEMBER

Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

Stress. Anxiety. Fear. These words capture well the state of mind of many of us in America today. We have witnessed dramatic market losses, the collapse of the world's largest insurance company, and many bankruptcies and mergers. Every day seems to bring another piece of economic uncertainty.

A recent survey found that over three in four Americans are stressed about the economy and their personal finances. Half were worried about providing for their family's basic needs. Over half of respondents reported feeling angry and irritable, and reported lying awake at night worried about this. The report concludes that, "The declining state of the nation's economy is taking a physical and emotional toll on people nationwide."¹

Join us in worship the next four weeks for a sermon series entitled *Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Our nation is experiencing what many have described as the "American Nightmare." Increasing consumer debt, declines in savings, lower income growth, and a volatile stock market are all a part of our economic insecurity. We have lived in a society that tells us "you deserve it now," whether or not we can afford it or really even need it.

All of us have struggled with these issues at one time or another. They are important issues that we cannot ignore. This is why, over the next four weeks, we will be having a church wide study and worship emphasis called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. During this time we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management through corporate worship and small group study. We'll hear expert advice and stories about what others have learned by working through financial challenges. Each week we will provide you with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation.

At the conclusion of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments in the worship service on Sunday, November 22nd.

I hope you will join us in the coming weeks as we look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience simplicity, generosity, and joy.

Sunday, October 25

Sunday, November 1
Sunday, November 8
Sunday, November 15
Sunday November 22

When Dreams Become Nightmares

Wisdom and Finance
Cultivating Contentment
Defined by Generosity
Consecration Sunday

In Christ,
Gary



¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

1 Timothy 6:10

CONNECT

Advent by Candlelight Organizational Meeting

All ladies are invited to the Advent by Candlelight organizational meeting on Sunday Nov 1 at 9:45am. We will pick a theme, decide on entertainment and other ideas for the celebration. We need some fresh ideas so please join us. Please contact Carol Hagensick if you have any suggestions. cahagen@charter.net , 833-3097



Musicians Needed

Temperatures are dropping and leaves are almost gone.

It's that time of year again, friends.

Nope, not just the time to pick up your shovels and begin clearing the driveway.



It's time to pick up your old instruments—remember the one you put away in the garage?—and join other Sugar River musicians in celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sugar River Band is inviting you to come out to rehearse Christmas tunes to put together an unforgettable advent season and a beautiful Christmas Eve celebration.

There are plenty of opportunities. We're assembling services to be accompanied by strings, woodwinds and brass ensembles. And we'll have vocal ensembles to carol on Christmas eve, too.

Scheduling is almost complete, but we don't have fix dates just yet. So for now, start thinking about participating and let us know you're interested. All ages and skill levels are invited.

Music Director Pedro Oliveira Jr. is eager to hear from you. His e-mail address is poliveirajr2@gmail.com and he's always available before, between and after services.



GROW

Youth News!

Preschool-5th Grade

Sunday school has been an exciting place as the children learned all about people who made a difference in Bible times. Make sure you ask them about the woman at the well, Deborah, and the Centurion! Now it is up to them to make a difference!

Our next unit we will be studying is Creation! Genesis 1:1-2:4 will be the basis of our study! The children will learn all about the wonderful things God created for them! !

Family Production Nite!

November Family Production Nite is almost here! Join us on November 1st as we jump aboard the Ark! God asked Noah to work for Him! We are going to find out how God wants us to work for him too! We hope to see you on November 1st from 4:00-5:30 for an introduction to Noah and the Ark! We will celebrate after with a pot-luck in fellowship hall! Please bring a dish to pass according to your last name: A-L main dish, M-R side dish, and S-Z a dessert! Drinks will be provided!



Middle School Growth Group

Just a reminder to everyone that the Middle school youth will meet between services from 9:40-10:10. If you are in 6th-8th grade, come join this group of energetic youth who are on a journey of faith and discipleship! They are having a lot of fun along the way!

Adult Puppeteer's Needed

The Sugar River Puppet team is looking for individuals interested in assisting with the Puppets! The adult puppets perform during our worship services on the first Sunday of each month. The children puppets perform during Family Production Nite. Please contact Jim and Sharon Billmeyer if you are interested in helping with this ministry area!

Supplies Needed

Graham Crackers

Taco Shells

Tag Board

Animal stickers

3rd Annual Children's Christmas Program

The 3rd Annual Children's Christmas Program will be held on Saturday December 12 at 11am at Sugar River.

Rehearsals will be held between services in the Sunday School rooms from 9:35am - 10:10am beginning October 18th. We will hold a final dress rehearsal on Friday December 11th at 5:30pm at Sugar River. Music CDs will be available beginning Sunday October 4th!

All children and teens are encouraged to participate

We are also encouraging our talented middle school and high school students to take part! There will be a special musical song during the program and we will also be asking for help with pre-performance music and readings, costumes, staging, and fellowship following the program!

Questions? Ask Erin and Heather anytime!

Erin: emhillman@wisc.edu (608)628-8199 -- Heather: hroyer@wisc.edu (608)209-4239

Adult Bible Study: - Sundays @ 8: 30 am

Paul's Letters to the Corinthians



Corinth was famous as the commercial hub of southern Greece. But it was also infamous as a center of immorality. In spite of that Paul established a church there. Though the church was in this city, the city was also in this church, infecting its fellowship & witness. Paul writes to deal with the problems that are afflicting

it and delivers comments that are still potent and practical to the church today.

David Johnston leads this discussion based class. Join us to study God's word in community. Everyone is welcome! Registration is not required. Bring a friend.

It is not too late to sign up for a Fall Growth Group!

If you are interested in participating in a Growth Group but didn't get around to signing up, it is not too late. Cindy Kuhrasch is interested starting up a new group that will meet Sundays after church or Monday mornings. You can also see the schedule of currently meeting groups at sugarriverumc.org. Questions? Please contact Jackie Roessler at 845-8712 or jroessler@gmail.com.

SERVE

Worship Assistants Needed

Each Sunday it takes a team of people to make our worship services successful. Each Sunday we need Greeters, Ushers, and Liturgists. There are sign up sheets on the podium in Fellowship Hall. We are all Gods servants, so please consider serving.

Verona Food Pantry . .

NEEDS FOR OCTOBER

tuna
canned mixed fruit
canned beans (kidney, etc)
baby food
canola oil
peanut butter



Help Keep "The River" Clean



Did you know that all the cleaning and janitorial work here at the River is done by volunteers? We currently have three (soon to be two) couples that clean the church on a monthly rotation system. We are in desperate need of additional couples/families/groups, to join the rotation and help keep our Church Home clean. Time commitment is approximately 3-4 hours per week during your rotation. The reward is the feeling of satisfaction from serving our

Church family. For more information please contact Robert Pagan at 278-1477 or romali@sbcglobal.net or Mark Hagensick at 833-3097 or mmhagen@yahoo.com.

Verona Warm Winters

The Kiwanis of Verona are collecting new and gently used blankets, winter coats, hats, scarves, and mittens in sizes infant to adult now through November 12. Drop off bins are located at the public library, Millers Supermarket, Park Bank, and other business in Verona. Items collected will be distributed free of charge on Saturday, November 14, at Sugar Creek Elementary School from 10:00-2:00.

"For I needed clothes and you clothed me." Matthew 25:36

Worship Leaders:

November 1st

8:30

Greeter/Usher

Liturgist: Justin Watts

Children's Message: Puppets

Sunday School Teachers:

.....Family Sunday - No Sunday School. Children attend service with their families

Fellowship Hostess: Jean Phelps

10:15

Greeter/Usher :

Liturgist: Hanna Day

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 Jamie Day 608-833-4945 sr.childrensministry@tds.net
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 Pedro Oliveira Jr. 608-845-5855 poliveirajr2@gmail.com

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Team Leaders

Children's Ministry	Jamie Day
Church Council	Darryl Graham
Community Services	Kristi Johnson Jason Sloat
Discipleship	Marian Maldonado-Pagan
Facilities	Robert Pagan
Finance	Ben Miller
Membership	Betsy Forester
Operations	Dan Day
Outreach	Mike Polk
Welcoming (WAVE)	Pam Millmann
Youth Ministry	Joe & Jocelyn Przywara
Growth Group Development	Jackie Roessler Brian Earley
Mission	Beth Heneghan Jacob Taddy

Announcement Slides

Announcement requests should be sent to Lori at:

lori.zemlicka@gmail.com and must be received by **TUESDAY** of each week. The team would like requests to be submitted in bullet format with 3-4 lines of information (including a contact person). If there is a need to include additional information please use the *Source* to describe activities/events in more detail. *Here's an example of the amount of information to be included in requests:*

Announcement Format Request

- Requests should be 3-4 bullets (i.e., short sentences) in length
- Please submit requests by Tuesday to lori.zemlicka@gmail.com
- Questions? Contact Lori Zemlicka

By the Numbers . . .

10/18/09 Attendance:	8:30 -	104
	10:15 -	168
	Total -	272
Charter Celebration:		205
Offering:		\$4,869
Offering - year to date:		\$172,282
Year to date goal		\$196,573

Worship SUNDAY OCTOBER 25TH

* INDICATES, PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Welcome and Fellowship

* Song of Celebration: *God of Wonders*
 (M. Byrd and S. Hindalong)

* Call To Worship 8:30 - Jean Phelps
 10:15 - Aryls Nilles

* Song of Praise: *Let The Praises Ring* (L. Brewster)

Children's Time Pastor Gary

WE LIFT OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

Sharing of Our Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: *Breathe* (M. Barnett)

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

The Word In Scripture *Ecclesiastes 5:10,
 1 Timothy 6:10b, Matthew 16:26*
 (pages 1040, 1850 and 1524 in pew Bibles)

The Word Proclaimed Pastor Gary Holmes

Enough: When Dreams become Nightmares

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Song of Response *Shout To The Lord* (D. Zscheck)

Community Life and Offering

* Benediction

* Sending Forth: *Psalm 19* (T. Butler)