

Sunday Worship Times: 8:30 am & 10:30 am Sunday School 10:30am

> Soul Church Friday 7:00pm

New Community Church of Union

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As I sat down to write this article, I really desired to say something profound. To write something that would inspire or change or make a big impact. We always look for the profound, yes; even desire the profound in our life. What a wonderful life, we think, it would be to step from profound to profound to profound. Then life wouldn't be boring, then life wouldn't be, well, mundane.

But you know, I have noticed something. We do live in the mundane. The vast majority of our life is lived in the mundane. We live in our routines and maybe by our routines. We get up, we shower, we shave, we brush our teeth, we change clothes, we eat breakfast, read the paper, watch the news, go to work (or that which takes up the majority of our time), make our calls, do our errands, come home, watch our shows, change for bed, go to bed. And... repeat. Pretty mundane, not much changes. Oh sure, we have a vacation or two, we go to certain celebrations, but overall, life is lived in the mundane. But, you know, that is not a bad thing. In fact, maybe it is a good thing.

I have learned so far, in my relatively short life here on earth that character is not built by the profound. Character may be challenged by the profound, but it is never built by the profound. Rather, character is built by the mundane, the everyday, and the usual, even boring activities of life.

The mundane is where our character is shaped, refined, tested, and tried. The qualities of integrity, perseverance, endurance, trustworthiness, love, patience, joy, self-control, and even faith grow as a result of living in the mundane. We get excited over the profound, but it is only momentary. The mundane is where we learn to live life and our character is developed.

After Jesus fed the 5,000 with loaves and fish, the crowds gathered again the next day to see Jesus. And what did they want? What did they ask for? More miracles. They wanted to see more of the profound. Jesus didn't give them more of the profound; rather He gave them the mundane. His answer was not to do another miracle; rather it was to call them into a relationship with Him as His disciples. It was to call them to follow Him. To follow Him day in and day out. To follow Him hour in and hour out. Following is not very exciting. In fact, it is pretty mundane. Get up, get ready, eat, watch, listen, do the work assigned to you, go to bed, sleep. Repeat. Oh, there are times of profundity that are peppered throughout following, but normally, it is pretty boring. It is mundane. To do the same things day in and day out.

Yet, that is what we are called to do, to follow Jesus day in and day out. No matter what, no matter where, no matter why. And usually it is pretty mundane. But that is where our character is really built, in the everyday matters and activities of life. How we respond to the mundane matters. I would even suggest that the mundane is what prepares us for the profound.

So, this day, don't despair the boring. Know that God is developing your character in preparation for the profound.

Sincerely His,

Pastor Michael Wedman



Memorial Weekend Free Pancake Breakfast! 8:00 am—12:00 pm @ NCCU

Soup for the Soul

Join us the second and fourth Fridays of each month from 6:00pm--6:45pm for free Soup and Salad. Stay for Soul Church at 7:00pm if you can!

Annual Meeting & Celebration May 6 6:30 pm-8:00 pm



Our Purpose:

Anchored in God's Love, we exist to promote and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation and sanctification of all people

May 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Women's Bible Study Fellowship 9:30a - 11a Staff mtg 1p Transformative Prayer 7p	2 AA Meeting 5p	3 Prayer 9:15a Soul Church 7p	4
Worship 8:30 & 10:30a Communion Sunday School 10:30a	6 Haircut Fundraiser Kay Shin 360.801.2662 Annual Meeting 6:30p-8:00p	7 Quilters 10a-1p Great Bend Choir rehearsal 4-9p	8 EBoard 6:30p Transformative Prayer 7p	Feed the Hungry 4:30p AA Meeting 5p	10 Cookie Bake 9a Prayer 9:15a Soup for the Soul 6p - 6:45p Soul Church 7p	11 Women of Faith Mother's Day Brunch 10:00a-12:00p
12 Worship 8:30 & 10:30a Sunday School 10:30a	13 Staff mtg 1p	14 Quilters 10a-1p Great Bend Choir rehearsal 4-9p	15 Leadership Lunch 12:00p Transformative Prayer 7p	16 AA Meeting 5p	17 Prayer 9:15a Soul Church 7p	18 Men of Integrity 9a - 10a
19 Worship 8:30 & 10:30a Sunday School 10:30a Youth Group 6:00p-8:00p	20 Staff mtg 1p	21 Quilters 10a-1p Lunch Bunch 11:30a-2:00p	Transformative Prayer 7p	AA Meeting 5p	24 Cookie Bake 9a Prayer 9:15a Soup for the Soul 6p - 6:45p Soul Church 7p	25 Pancake Breakfast 8:00a- 12:00p
26 Worship 8:30 & 10:30a Sunday School 10:30a	27 Memorial Day NCCU Office Closed	28 Quilters 10a-1p Great Bend Choir rehearsal 4-9p	Transformative Prayer 7p	30 AA Meeting 5p	31 Prayer 9:15a Soul Church 7p	