"The Gospel According to Luke: That You May Have Certainty Concerning the Things You Were Taught" Luke 1:1-14

- Luke 1:1-4: "The Supremacy of Knowing Jesus"
 - "Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things that have been accomplished among us...."
 - There is no message or information more important than the gospel of Jesus Christ. Knowledge of Christ is supreme to all other pursuits. "Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ." (Philippians 3:8; cf. John 20:30-31)
 - "....just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word have delivered them to us...."
 - The message of the Gospel is meant to be shared. We have been commissioned to preach and share this Good News! "How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!'" (Romans 10:14-15; cf. Acts 4:11-12)
 - o "....that you may have certainty concerning the things you have been taught."
 - "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." (Romans 10:17)
 Our hope and faith is in Christ. We have certainty because of what God's Word has told us...."But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that He is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus." (2 Timothy 1:12-13)
- Luke 1:5-7 "God Given Righteousness"
 - "And they both were righteous before God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and statutes of the Lord."
 - "For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God." (2 Corinthians 5:21; cf. Romans 4:3-5; Romans 3:21-26)
- Luke 1:8-13 "He Hears Our Prayers"
 - "But the angel said to him, 'Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son...."
 - "And He told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart" (Luke 18:1). "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer" (Romans 12:12). "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

Announcements:

Worship: This Is Amazing Grace — Phil Wickham Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery — Matt Boswell Speak, O Lord — The Gettys Closing Song: My Worth Is Not In What I Own — The Gettys Service Times: Sundays: Sunday School 4/Church 5:30; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30/Men 6:30 & 7; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20/Church 7

- ★HEALTHTREE MOVES FOR MYELOMA: We are putting together a team to participate in the 5K/1 M Walk happening in approximately 2 WEEKS, on Saturday, June 3rd at Wolfe Park in Columbus, Ohio. If you are interested in participating in this, please see the board on the back table for more information, or see Joel Decker for any questions you may have. To register for the event, you will need to go online and register with Team Legacy.
- ★DONATIONS: We are collecting monetary donations for the Christian Union Summer Camps <u>ONE MORE WEEK!</u> Each summer our denomination hosts 3 weeks of church camps in Greenfield, Ohio for children ages 9-18. Your monetary donations would help with the cost of purchasing food for these church camps, in order to not increase the price of camp for each child. For more information about the denomination and about the church camps themselves, please see the board on the back table. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is a donation for the Summer Camps.
- ★<u>MEMBERS MEETING:</u> We will be having a Members Meeting <u>NEXT</u> Sunday, May 28th, immediately following the worship service. This meeting will be to vote on the budget options and the proposed By-Law changes and additions that were presented at the Members Meeting last month. If you are a current church member, please plan to stay for this meeting.
- ★FELLOWSHIP DINNER: We are having a Fellowship Dinner TONIGHT immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us!
- ★BAPTISM SERVICE: Our next Baptism Service is scheduled for Sunday, June 11th. If you are interested in being baptized or have any questions about baptism, please see Pastor Jeremey or one of the other Elders.