

THE CHAPEL of CYPRESS COVE

Twenty Second Sunday of Pentecost

October 24, 2021

Roy St Onge, Music Director – Jim Wert, Pianist – Bill Dawson, Organist

THE PRELUDE “Land of Rest Early American Melody” First Unitarian San Francisco (Video)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7z_zUeulRb4

THE WELCOME, GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, RESPONSE, PRESENTATION

“Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angel’s wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Praise Your Holy Name O Lord my God,

PEOPLE: FOR THE GLORY WE RECEIVE WITHOUT LIMIT THAT AWAITS ALL WHO TRUST IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR.

Pastor: May we face all afflictions and difficulties that are inevitable in this world system,

PEOPLE: WITH THE SAME ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE, GODLY GRACE, PATIENT ENDURANCE, AND UNSPEAKABLE JOY, THAT WE SEE IN THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST.

Pastor: Help us not to look at the circumstances of life with dread and fear,

EVERYONE: BUT RATHER, MAY WE VIEW THEM AS PART OF THE ETERNAL GLORY THAT YOU LORD WILL PROVIDE. IN JESUS’ NAME WE PRAY, AMEN.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Trust And Obey”

Fountainview

Academy (Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oV8wfr1GK2Y>

THE CONFESSION OF SINS (Unison)

HOLY AND MERCIFUL GOD, IN YOUR PRESENCE WE CONFESS OUR SINFULNESS, OUR SHORTCOMINGS, AND OUR OFFENSES AGAINST YOU. YOU ALONE KNOW HOW OFTEN WE HAVE SINNED IN WANDERING FROM YOUR WAYS, IN WASTING YOUR GIFTS, IN FORGETTING YOUR LOVE. HAVE MERCY ON US, O LORD, FORGIVE

OUR SINS, AND HELP US WALK IN YOUR WAYS, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM

“In The Garden”

Rosemary

Siemens (Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F9C43JA0uls>

THE OFFERING, DEDICATION AND OFFERTORY
Doxology (Unison)

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Him, All Creatures Here Below; Praise Him Above, Ye Heavenly Host Praise Father, Son, And Holy Ghost. Amen”

Your Generous Offerings Unto Almighty God Are The Only Upkeep Of Our Church.

Offerings Can Be Taken To The Consignors Desk (Cypress Cove Residents) And/or

Mailed To: Chapel of Cypress Cove -10200 Cypress Cove Drive, Fort Myers FL 33908!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ivaDXu27_IY

THE HYMN OF CONTEMPLATION

“Because He Lives”

(Video)

THE PRAYERS

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s

Prayer (Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i2uQZye-rjU>

THE SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

II Thessalonians 3:6-13

THE SERMON MESSAGE:

“Are You Busy or A Busy Body?”

Rev. Ted Althouse

THE PASTORAL BLESSING AND LAITY RESPONSE (Sung in Unison)

*“Bless Be The Tie That Binds Our Hearts In Christian Love:
The Fellowship Of Kindred Minds, Is Like To That Above.”*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T3I4cO9CCSM>

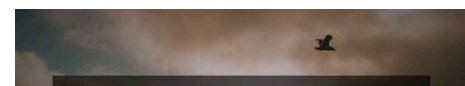
THE POSTLUDE

“Middlebury”

Gilbert

Martin (Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T-hmk9CvIk>



Next Sunday: October 31, 2021

SERMON TOPIC: “The First Is Last!”

Scripture Reference: Mark 9:33-37

The Flower Arrangement Is Presented By The Chapel of Cypress Cove In The Anticipation Of Our Church Reopening To Communal Worship Services.

NO BIBLE STUDY UNTIL IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES RESUME!
This week’s personal at home Bible study scripture suggestion: II Thessalonians Chapter 3).

“For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies.”

II Thessalonians 3:11

“It may be better to live under robber barons than under omnipotent moral busybodies.”

C. S. Lewis



JoAnne Ahern, Cele Barcaro, Edwin Basler, Ed Badin, Ron Busch, Byrl Burris, Carol Cessna, Jim & Pat Daniels, Rev. Dr. Jeff DeYoe - Pastor-Covenant Presbyterian Church-Fort Myers, Cal Eells, Richard and Rosemary Ericson, Cindy Fiska, Bess Gross, Vernon Hazard family, Rev Eddie Horne - Pastor-First United Methodist-Pine Level, FL, Frank Haskell, Cyndi Koski, Karrie Lyn, Jack McCarthy, Helen McDermott, Paul & Barb McNitt, Margie Mitchell, Kit Olen, Larry & Pat Rhoda, Dot Streck, Cheryl Spence, Carol Stanley, Aline Wolf, Jan Ziegler and all other individuals who need God’s healing touch. Pray for the unloved children of the world.

**BUSY PEOPLE ARE
NEVER BUSYBODIES**

Scripture says “Besides, they get into the habit of being idle and going about from house to house. And not only do they become idlers, but also busybodies who talk

Meddling Or Being A Busybody In God’s Eyes Is A Sin!

We must learn as Christians to operate in our appointed spheres of responsibility and not to meddle or interfere in someone else’s responsibility when not asked.

nonsense, saying things they ought not to. (I Timothy 5:13) Idleness is a major contributory cause of meddling, gossip and being a busybody. Meddling in another’s affairs may actually complicate or interfere with God’s capable work in them, so we need to apply the Golden Rule (treating another as you wish to be treated) when seeking to help another individual. As a Christian, we must learn to exercise judgment in helping others, but not to judge them for we are not the judge...that’s Almighty God’s job. In working out our own salvation, we have enough to do to without trying to meddle in someone else’s life including their own relationship with God. God doesn’t come down with a legion of angels and seize or arrest anyone for meddling or for being a busybody, but nonetheless, meddling—being a busybody—is a sin equivalent to breaking a law – God’s law.

How bad is it to be a meddler or a busybody compared to other evil actions? The Bible takes a stern view of meddling? In I Peter 4:15, we hear these words: “If you suffer (from being a busybody), it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler.” The Bible speaks to being a busybody as a sin but not a crime as serious as a murderer or thief. However, this doesn’t mean that anyone can continue being a busybody and feel like they can continue in this sinful behavior. A sin is a sin no matter how grave it is and requires that we seek redemption...redemption being the action we must take to seek forgiveness. Sin acknowledgment comes before forgiveness.

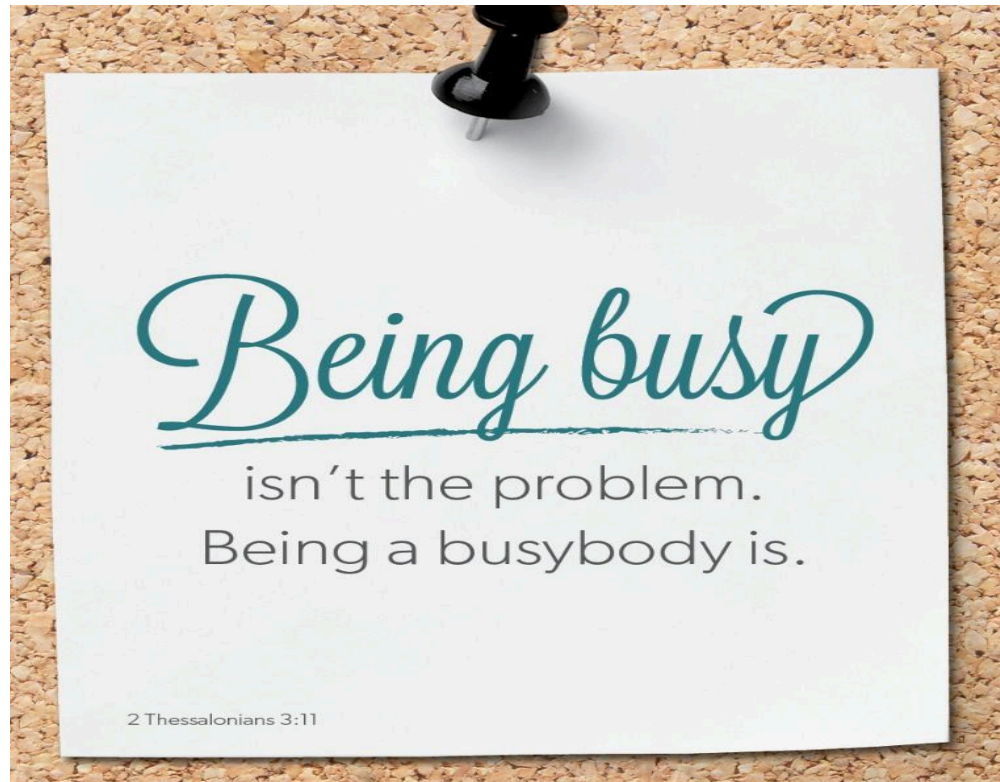
How can we counteract our being a busybody of any proportion? First, you must be willing to allow Almighty God to examine you own heart and deal with all of the sin in your own life before you could begin to see the wrong doings of others. You need to be BUSY or actively engaged in a productive action that stimulates your mind, body and spirit. Read a good book, take a walk, speak with another person who understands you and appreciates who you are. Of course, the best book is the Bible that truthfully provides great wisdom and information on every subject known to humankind. Prayer is another way to keep your mind on spiritual things. Keeping busy with positive mind and body activities will produce positive results from being a busybody and meddling where you should not be. Keep busy with Almighty God!

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