# July 2021

## <u>Mission</u> <u>Statement</u>

To be God's heart and God's hands in this community and beyond.

### Vision Statement

As followers of Christ, our vision is to be a God-centered, relationship-driven, small-group church committed to equipping all people to live out the life of Christ.

## Contact Information

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### Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30-5:00 Friday

8:30-12:00

# Central church of Christ

SERVING AS GOD'S HEART AND HANDS IN THIS COMMUNITY

# The Image of God! - pt. By Orlan Sawey

So, then, the Christian life is a continual process of renewal, of becoming conformed to the image of God. This what Paul, in Romans 12.2 means, "And be not fashioned according to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

How can we become like Him? First, we must believe (as many do not) that this is possible. We must not be content with ALMOST conforming to God's image. We must not deny the power of God to establish our hearts "unblamable in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints" (1 Thess. 3.13). John writes (1 John 3.2-3) "Beloved, now are we children of God, and it is not yet manifest what we shall be. We know that, if he shall be manifested, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him even as He is. And every one that hath this hope set on Him purlfieth himself, even as He is pure." We will try to be like the Lord; if we succeed

as we ought, not much change will be necessary when the Lord comes again.

Too many of us like Philip, join doubting Thomas (John 14.5) and say (John 14.8), "Lord, show us the Father, and it sufficeth us." The answer of Jesus in the ninth verse is still significant, "Have I been so long time with you, and dost thou not know me, Philip? He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; how sayest thou, Show us the Father?"

Every page of God's word reveals unto us the nature of God. By learning and doing God's will we can come to know Him. Thus we can be renewed unto knowledge after the image of God who created us. Thus we can obey the command of Jesus in Matthew 5.48. But we must truly put off the old man and his ways and put on the new man. We must uncompromisingly follow the Lord of Glory and cling to those things which are a part of the old man and his doing. Lord, help us to see ourselves truly! Help us not to be content to serve thee with half our beings! Help us to want to be like thee!

# Burger & Movie Night **Please sign up if attending.** We need a count for food. Thank you Hope to see you





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We would like to thank all those who have stepped up during the last few months as we have opened up more and more. We still have some pieces to worship and class that look a little different, but we are back to normal operations.

Our children's and youth classes, Bible hour, nursery, and more need YOUR help to keep going.

Please contact the following people if you are willing to help serve or sign up at the welcome center.

James Coburn - Bible Classes **Adam Stevens - Youth** Mandy Vahrenkamp - Bible Hour Pam Taylor - Nursery

### Bible Hour

7/1 - Vahrenkamp

7/11 - Paul & DaLissa Spaeth

7/18 - Cook Family

7/25 - Mealer Family

To Volunteer for Bible hour contact Mandy Vahrenkamp. mev031012@gmail.com

## Nursery

July 4 - Nancy Schmidt & Judy Pustka

July 11 - Janet Seals & Carmen McGuire

July 18 - Stormii Stevens &

Sarah Wideman

July 25 - Chris & Ellie Velasquez

To help out with the nursery contact Pam Taylor at pam@churchofvictoria.com

## **Up Coming Events**

- July 4 Office Closed
- July 5 Prime Timers 6pm
- July 11 Boothe Family Farewell 6pm
- July 12 Men's Breakfast 6:30am
- July 21 Burger & Movie Night 5:30pm
- July 25 Finger Food & Fellowship