

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus and "Good morning"! Today, we will be talking about the importance of living a righteous life and ways we can guard our hearts.

If this is your first visit to our church, you've recently started attending, or have any questions about Jesus or our church, please visit the Welcome Center immediately after the service. Friendly people will be there to greet you and answer your questions. We would love to help you meet, know, and follow Jesus and personally welcome you to our WCC family!



Key verses: Proverbs 4:23; Ephesians 6:10-14

Today's Message: Guarding your Heart with the Breastplate of Righteousness

Series: Gearing Up for Success in 2024

Pastor Frank Winans

Senior Pastor

WCC Kids Ministry

Hello Church Family!

Greetings in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! Today, the kids will learn about the last **Fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control**. After service, let's gather by the gazebo to witness the baptism of our brothers and sisters, including some WCC Kids!

February 17, 2024 - WCC Marriage Retreat

WCC Kids will provide a FREE children's program so parents can attend the Marriage Retreat. **Children's program space is limited** so please sign up in the lobby or online. **Donations welcome.* For questions, please contact Ms. Rhina or Ms. Chris.

Upcoming events:

February 11, 2024 - Super Cereal Bowl

February 18, 2024 - WCC Kids Spotlight

March 16, 2024 - Parent's Night Out I

March 24, 2024 - Palm Sunday

March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday

TODAY:

9:30 am | **Prayer Time** | Bldg. A - Conference Room

10:30 am | **In-Person and Online Service**

12:00 pm | **WATER BAPTISM**/ Gazebo

HOSPITALITY Thanks to Mercy Smith's team

4-6 pm | **AWANA**/Youth Center

6:30 pm | **COLLEGE & CAREER GAME NIGHT**/B1-4

Coming Up:

- Jan 31 Wed/ **The WORD Speaks Bible Study**/9-11 am/Bldg B
- Feb 2 Fri/ **College and Career Group**/3:30 to 5:30 pm/C-13
- 2 Fri/ **Youth Group**/6:30 pm/Youth Center
- 3 Sat/ **Memorial Service for Jimmy Libunao**/1 pm
Fairhaven Memorial Park in Santa Ana
- 4 Sun/ **Sunday School with Pastor Vince**/12:15/B1-4
- 10 Sat/ **Men's Breakfast**/8:30 am/B1-4
- 12 Mon/ **Monday Family Game Night**/6 pm/B1-4
- 16 Fri/ **Four Seasons Fellowship Luncheon**/11 am/B1-4
- 17 Sat/ **Marriage Retreat**/8 :30 am to 3:00 pm/B1-4
(Free Children's Program available during the Retreat)
- 18 Sun/ **WCC Kids Spotlight**
- 24 Sat/ **Hiking with God**
College & Career Group Worship Night/7-9 pm/C-13

Jan 21	Offerings	YTD Offerings	YTD Budget	YTD Difference
Ministry	16,235	41,639	33,140	8,499
Missions	2,972	4,563	4,620	(57)

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**Welcome to Woodbridge Community Church.
Thank you for joining us today.**

Welcome Visitors and Guests! Please fill out the Welcome Card at the seat pocket in front of you and bring it to the Welcome Center at the church lobby! We have a welcome gift waiting for you. Or, just fill it up online using this QR code and ask for your welcome gift. Just mention that you filled up the Welcome Card online.



Death Announcement

Our dearest sister Caroline Miller has been called home to glory by our Heavenly Father on Thursday, January 25th at 5:55 pm. Please pray for God's grace and loving comfort to be upon Joe and the whole family at this time of deep grief. We will miss you Caroline!



SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH PASTOR VINCE ARNALDO

Join us in a new Sunday School series by Pastor Vince Arnaldo entitled "SET FREE TO BE WHAT GOD MADE ME" on Sunday, February 4th at 12:15 pm in Bldg B1-4. Please see bulletin insert for more information.



2023 CONTRIBUTION RECEIPTS

Thank you for your faithful giving to the church. Your 2023 Contribution Receipts are now available for pick up in the lobby after the service or at the church office Tuesday to Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. All tax receipts not picked up after January 31st will be mailed out on February 1, 2024.



FOUR SEASONS FELLOWSHIP (50+)

Celebrate Valentine's Day with our seasoned saints as Pastor Graham McGuinness shares from the WORD over lunch on Friday, February 16th at 11 am in Bldg B1-4. Sign-up in the lobby after the service.



MARRIAGE RETREAT

Wanting to rediscover, restore, rekindle or reignite the original spark in your marriage? Join our upcoming Marriage Retreat on Saturday, February 17th from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm in B1-4. Cost: \$40/ couple. Free Children's Program will be available during the retreat. Reserve with Ms Fhina or Ms. Chris (space is limited). Sign up online or in the lobby after the service.

Gearing Up for Success in 2024



A WCC Message Series

January 28, 2024

Message: Guarding your Heart with the Breastplate of Righteousness

Series: GEARING UP FOR SUCCESS IN 2024

Key verses: Ephesians 6:10-14; Proverbs 4:23



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GUARDING YOUR HEART WITH THE
BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
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Sermon Notes:

According to the Scriptures:

1. The heart is the place where we experience _____.
2. The heart is the place of intellectual _____/_____.
3. The heart is the place where we _____ and make _____.
4. We protect our hearts by feeding it _____.
5. Righteousness is the _____ of truth flowing from our _____ into everyday life.
6. We guard our hearts by righteous _____.
7. The Breastplate of Righteousness stands for _____ righteous _____ flowing from our _____ to Jesus.

Follow-up Questions from Sunday's Message:

Quick Review:

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Introduction question for groups:

What is one of your favorite songs that has the word "heart" in it?

Digging Deeper:

1. What does Isaiah 65:14, Romans 10:9, Hebrews 3:12, Psalm 19:14, Psalm 21:1-2 and Matthew 15:17-20 say what our spiritual hearts are capable of doing?
2. Last Sunday, Pastor Frank quoted this definition of the heart from one of his professors:

"Our whole life stems from our heart. Our thoughts, our motivations, the words that we speak, our feelings and attitudes, and all of our actions originate from our heart". *Dr. Saucy*

What thoughts go through your mind when you read this definition?
3. The Bible says we are to "guard" our hearts (Proverbs 4:23), how does Paul's metaphor of the "breastplate of righteousness" help us in understanding how to do this?
4. If someone was to ask you what righteousness is, what would you say? How do you think righteousness protects our hearts in practical ways?
5. We read in Read 1 Corinthians 5:21 that we are already righteous in Christ, so how have you been living who you are in Christ? In what ways have you seen righteousness grow in your life as you have been following Jesus?

Taking it Home:

Since the "Breastplate of Righteousness" is a spiritual weapon of Christ's power in your life, spend some time alone with God in prayer and ask Him if there is anything in your life that you need to reject that you have allowed in? If anything comes up write it down and ask God what steps He wants you to take to remove this?

Ask God if there is anything He wants you to bring into your life like: reading and studying the Bible more, prayer, joining a small group, getting baptized, going to church more, forgiving someone, encouraging someone, living more in your means, honoring God with your lips and what you watch, etc. These are all examples of putting on the "Breastplate of Righteousness" in our daily lives.

Prayer:

Close your group with prayer for each other asking for victory in righteous living this week.



What is a healthy Individual?
How do conflicts start and how do I resolve them?
How can I manage my emotions?
How do I deal with anger? Or angry people?
How can I build harmonious relationships?
Explore these questions and much more!

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by Pastor Vince Arnaldo entitled,

**"Set Free to be
What God Made Me"**

- Starting Sunday, February 4th
- 12:15 pm Bldg. B Rooms 1-4

MISSIONS HIGHLIGHT

Pas. SABIR SIMON - LAHORE, PAKISTAN

Preaching on a Christian TV:

I was invited to be the guest preacher on a Christian tv channel well renowned in Pakistan, it was a great opportunity to reach out a huge audience of all ages. God has already burdened my heart with message of staying consistent, perseverance and holding the ground with having our chin up as the time of our salvation is near. It was an important message during the recent wave of racism and terrorism against the Christians.



In a Partner Church:

In our vision of strengthening the churches and believers we frequently visit our partner churches and share the teachings, guidelines and vision to continue growing in the image of Christ and empowering each other through worshipping GOD. My brother taught on the significance of the coming of Jesus Christ.



Church in Faislabad:

This church is situated at around 180 kilometers from our home. We were invited to preach on the occasion of the 6th anniversary of the ministry. It was healing crusade, attended by more than 500 people. The Holy Ghost led me at the end to pray for healing, writing off the debts and for those who don't have offspring. There were many testimonies of healing and prophetic utterances for many. All glory to God for His amazing grace upon our lives.



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