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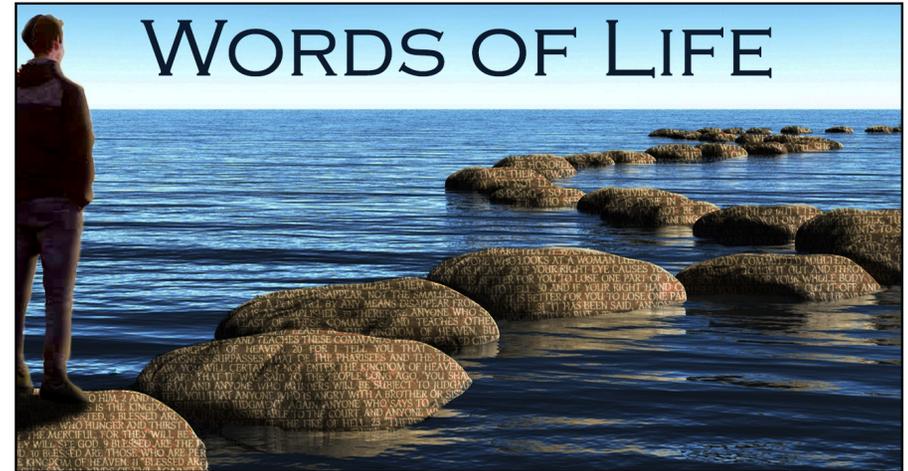


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**THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE:**

**Ask**

Matthew 7:7-12 (NIV)

<sup>7</sup> "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

<sup>9</sup> "Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? <sup>10</sup> Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? <sup>11</sup> If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him! <sup>12</sup> So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

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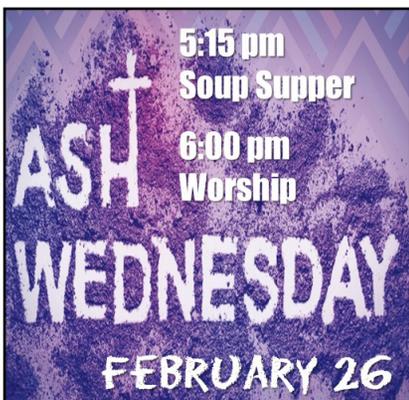
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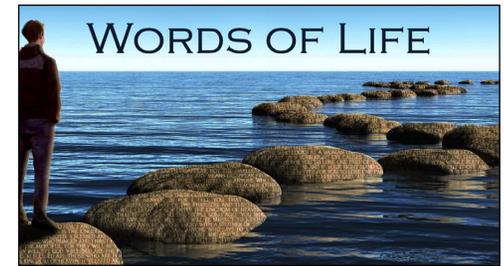


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Feb. 16, 2020 • 11:15 am

<b>Prelude</b>	Jeff Stevenson
<b>Greetings &amp; Life in the Church</b>	Kristin Jackson
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Psalm 145:17-21
Leader: My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.	
People: <b>The LORD is righteous in all his ways and faithful in all he does.</b>	
Leader: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.	
People: <b>He fulfills the desires of those who revere him; he hears our cries and saves us.</b>	
Leader: The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.	
All: <b>My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.</b>	
<b>Songs of Worship &amp; Praise</b>	
<i>Begin, My Tongue, Some Heavenly Theme</i>	No. 29
<i>God, Our Father, We Adore Thee</i>	No. 93
<b>First Scripture Reading</b>	John 16:19-28
<b>Prayer of Confession &amp; Assurance of Pardon</b>	
<b>Song of Thanksgiving</b>	
<i>It Is Well With My Soul (v.1-3)</i>	No. 705
<b>Prayers of the People &amp; The Lord's Prayer</b>	
<b>Second Scripture Reading</b>	Matthew 7:7-12
<b>Message</b>	<i>Ask</i> Rev. Ralph Kieneker
<b>Song of Response</b>	<i>Come, Every One Who Is Thirsty</i> No. 720
<b>Offering</b>	<i>Seek Ye First</i> Adult Choir
<b>Doxology &amp; Celebration of Life</b>	
<b>Benediction</b>	

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## SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- I. Introduction: When prayer comes easy
  
- II. First Question: What is prayer?
  - a. Misunderstanding prayer
  
  - b. The Goal of Prayer
  
- III. The Purpose of Prayer
  - a. The goal of prayer is to live all of my life and speak all of my words in the joyful awareness of God's powerful presence with me, in me, and through me.
  
- IV. Praying Bold Prayers
  - a. Why Boldness is called for . . .
  
  - b. James 4:1-3: Don't worry it's not health and wealth . . .
  
- V. We have a good father . . .

## Discussion Questions

### Sharing Life Together

1. Share a time when you experienced God answering your prayer.
  
2. What are you really "asking, seeking and knocking" for right now?

### Reflecting on the Message Together

1. How is prayer easy for you?
  
2. How is prayer difficult for you?
  
3. How would you describe the real purpose of prayer according to Jesus?
  
4. Discuss the logic of Jesus' message. Why do you think he is reminding us right here to "ask, seek, and knock?"
  
5. Reread James 4:1-3. What types of things should we pray for? Are there things we shouldn't pray for? Why or why not?
  
6. How did God speak to you through this teaching?
  
7. How can we pray for one another?