



SERMONNOTES

FEBRUARY 18 2018

TODAY'S **MESSAGE**
YOU CAN'T CHOOSE YOUR FAMILY

TODAY'S **SPEAKER**
PASTOR DEAN WARD

KEY VERSES //

PHILEMON 1:1-25, ACTS 2:42-47

"Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people." PHILEMON 1:7

MESSAGE OVERVIEW //

Welcome to Community... welcome to your extended family! Community is a delicate dance with diversity from broken people just like us and those quite different than us. Because of this, community is quite messy and an amazing journey at the same time.

We are people that Jesus is calling together into community. When I become a follower of Christ, I am immediately enfolded into a new community.

KEY POINTS //

Family Chooses You –
Our call to community

You Choose Family –
Our steps toward being in community

Love, Faith, Partner & Refresh

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ACTIONS TO TAKE //

Additional Scriptures: Acts 2:42-47, Ephesians 2:19-22, John 15:16.

Other Resources: "Called to Community: The Life Jesus Wants for His People" by Eberhard Arnold & "Uncomfortable: The Awkward and Essential Challenge of Christian Community" by Brett McCracken



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HELPING PEOPLE TO EXPERIENCE, KNOW, & SHARE THE LOVE OF JESUS

JOIN US **TODAY**

Sunday, February 18th, 2018

Opening
THIS IS AMAZING GRACE

Welcome
*O' LORD
DO IT AGAIN*

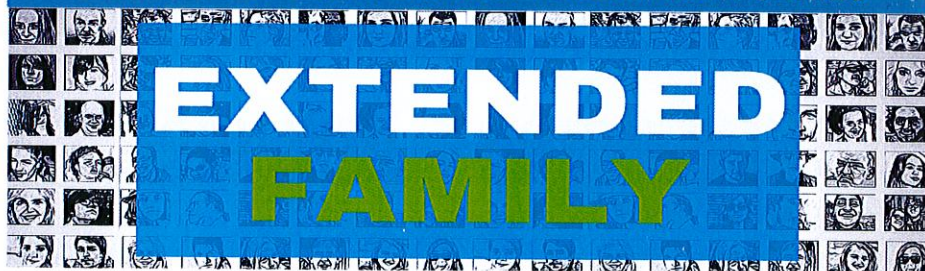
Prayer

Offering
NO LONGER SLAVES

Message
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Communion
O COME TO THE ALTAR

PART 1 OF OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES



GIVING BACK TO GOD

Giving back to God, cheerfully and sacrificially, is part of our worship. It's our way of putting God first in our finances and supporting the mission of The River throughout the year. The combined totals for both The River New Kensington and The River New Heights are listed.

	\$8,000.00 Needed Weekly	Attendance
January 21st	\$9,831.41	302
January 28th	\$5,231.10	351
February 4th	\$6,752.25	256
February 11th	\$5,963.91	343

UPCOMING **EVENTS**

This Week		Next Week	
Sunday February 18	Services 9:30am & 11:15am	Sunday February 25	Services 9:30am & 11:15am
Wednesday February 21	Sonward Tutoring & Homework Help 5-6pm The River's Edge Youth Group 6-8pm Wednesday Night Live 6:30-8pm Sonward Action Bible Study 6:30-8pm	Wednesday February 28	Sonward Tutoring & Homework Help 5-6pm The River's Edge Youth Group 6-8pm Wednesday Night Live 6:30-8pm Sonward Action Bible Study 6:30-8pm
Thursday February 22	MOPs 9:30-11:30am	Like! us on Facebook	

MARCH 4

RIVER'S EDGE YOUTH DINNER & AUCTION
@ THE RIVER NEW KENSINGTON



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CHECK OUT ALL OF OUR
UPCOMING EVENTS

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**WEDNESDAY
NIGHT**
Family ♦ Fellowship ♦ Faith

LIVE!

SMALL GROUPS FOR GROWING IN FAITH
6:30-8pm

BRING THE KIDS! Nursery & Preschool programs are available

OUR CURRENT STUDIES

FOLLOW BY ANDY STANLEY - Led by Dean Ward
FOLLOW BY ANDY STANLEY - Beginning Wed, February 14
- Led by Terri Schrecongost & Traci Heuston

SonwardSM
Changing a community

ACTION BIBLE STUDY
GEARED FOR PRE-K THRU 6TH GRADE

WEDNESDAYS 6:30-8PM



TUTORING AND HOMEWORK HELP AVAILABLE FROM 5-6PM

**RIVER'S
EDGE**
YOUTH GROUP
Wednesdays 6-8pm

Open to youth grades 7-12
Youth Pastor Brian Baker 724-594-7394

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday, the youth are encouraged to attend the 11:15 service. After the offering song, the youth will go into the Youth Room for their lesson.