

## welcome

We hope and fully expect that you'll encounter God this morning and even meet a few warm-hearted people as well.

You can expect the service to last around an hour and a half.

## reservoir families

We're excited about your kids! We have designed special programs and services just for them that happen concurrently with the 9:30am service. Kids are also always welcome in the main services.

## today's service

OPENING SONG

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERMON

Steve Watson  
Senior Pastor

WORSHIP

An opportunity to take Communion, receive prayer in the Chapel, and participate in musical worship.



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*April 17, 2016*

9:30am &  
11:30am

**John 1:14 (The Message)**

<sup>14</sup>The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory, like Father, like Son, Generous inside and out, true from start to finish.

**John 15:11-15 (The Message)**

<sup>11-15</sup>“I’ve told you these things for a purpose: that my joy might be your joy, and your joy wholly mature. This is my command: Love one another the way I loved you. This is the very best way to love. Put your life on the line for your friends. You are my friends when you do the things I command you. I’m no longer calling you servants because servants don’t understand what their master is thinking and planning. No, I’ve named you friends because I’ve let you in on everything I’ve heard from the Father.

**John 14:18-20 (The Message)**

<sup>18-20</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned. I’m coming back. In just a little while the world will no longer see me, but you’re going to see me because I am alive and you’re about to come alive. At that moment you will know absolutely that I’m in my Father, and you’re in me, and I’m in you.

**John 16:4-7, 12-15 (The Message)**

<sup>4-7</sup>“I didn’t tell you this earlier because I was with you every day. But now I am on my way to the One who sent me. Not one of you has asked, ‘Where are you going?’ Instead, the longer I’ve talked, the sadder you’ve become. So let me say it again, this truth: It’s better for you that I leave. If I don’t leave, the Friend won’t come. But if I go, I’ll send him to you.

<sup>12-15</sup> “I still have many things to tell you, but you can’t handle them now. But when the Friend comes, the Spirit of the Truth, he will take you by the hand and guide you into all the truth there is. He won’t draw attention to himself, but will make sense out of what is about to happen and, indeed, out of all that I have done and said. He will honor me; he will take from me and deliver it to you. Everything the Father has is also mine. That is why I’ve said, ‘He takes from me and delivers to you.

**Romans 12:9-12 (The Message)**

<sup>9-10</sup> Love from the center of who you are; don’t fake it. Run for dear life from evil; hold on for dear life to good. Be good friends who love deeply; practice playing second fiddle.

<sup>11-13</sup> Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. Don’t quit in hard times; pray all the harder. Help needy Christians; be inventive in hospitality.

<sup>14-16</sup> Bless your enemies; no cursing under your breath. Laugh with your happy friends when they’re happy; share tears when they’re down. Get along with each other; don’t be stuck-up. Make friends with nobodies; don’t be the great somebody.

<sup>17-19</sup> Don’t hit back; discover beauty in everyone. If you’ve got it in you, get along with everybody. Don’t insist on getting even; that’s not for you to do. “I’ll do the judging,” says God. “I’ll take care of it.”

<sup>20-21</sup> Our Scriptures tell us that if you see your enemy hungry, go buy that person lunch, or if he’s thirsty, get him a drink. Your generosity will surprise him with goodness. Don’t let evil get the best of you; get the best of evil by doing good.

**“Jesus is the Best Neighbor Ever! And that Might Really Help Me.”**

First in the Series, “The Art of Neighboring”

STEVE WATSON

**“How Can I Experience the Joy of Jesus as Neighbor?”**

1) Talk with God \_\_\_\_\_. The easiest, and most important, prayer is \_\_\_\_\_.

2) Try visiting our “\_\_\_\_\_” community group on Sundays in May and June.

3) Think about your \_\_\_\_\_ as often as you do your \_\_\_\_\_.

4) Ask God for the desire to be \_\_\_\_\_ for neighboring, and to be \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_.

5) Join us in enthusiasm for what \_\_\_\_\_ might look like – you can start by stopping by the dome today and \_\_\_\_\_.

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