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Theme: What Is God Thinking?

"Unanswered Prayer"

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Weekly Memory Verse:

> ***42 [Jesus prayed] "Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."*** – Luke 22:42

SLIDE Unanswered Prayer

Paired together for nine holes on a Sunday evening, Mitch and a priest reach a short par 3 over a pond. The priest asks, "What club are you hitting, my son?"

"It's a pitching wedge for me, Father," Mitch replies. "What about you?"

"I'll hit a 9-iron," the priest says with a chuckle, "and pray."

After Mitch plants his tee shot in the middle of the green, the priest tops his shot into the drink.

Mitch then says, "I don't know about you father, but in our church, we keep our head down when we pray."

For those of you unfamiliar with golf, one of the things they teach you on your swing is to keep your head down. When you pull your head

up you usually top the ball and it doesn't go very far. It's a funnier joke if you know a little bit about golf but I think you get the idea.

I remember playing in a golf tournament once that I was invited to by some people that don't go to church but they knew me and as we began, they were excited thinking that somehow God would be on their side during the tournament. We birdied the first two holes because I played lights out and they were very excited they had a pastor on their side until we got to hole 3 and my game fell apart, because that's golf and I typically preach on Sunday instead of being on the PGA Tour. They started drinking shortly after and the rest of the round didn't go very well. Finally, towards the end of the round, one of them asked me why I didn't pray harder for them to win. I think he was serious. I had to tell them what I often say to people who think that somehow being a pastor helps your golf game. If anyone thinks that God cares about our golf game, or any sporting event, then we are all in trouble.

While this seems a bit silly, most of us have asked God for prayers when we're on the golf course or in a sporting event or watching a sporting event or plenty of other times that seem a bit crazy when you think about it. What happens when two people opposing each other in some sporting event both pray for victory? Does it mean God cares more about one than the other? If I lose, does it mean that God doesn't love me or didn't hear my prayer?

Today we continue in a series where we are asking some tough questions. Last week we talked about suffering and where God is when bad things happen. I have shared before with you the story of a father of one of my youths when I served as a youth pastor in Colorado Springs. He had lung cancer from a job he had early in his career and was in Hospice when I first met him. He had twin daughters that were in second grade and a daughter in 8th grade in my youth group who is in confirmation class with me and a lovely wife. We read through the Gospel of Matthew together in the hospital over the course of a few months and I prayed fervently, as did our congregation, for healing and

a miracle from the cancer treatments he was receiving. He even came to worship in a wheelchair until close to the very end and would sit in the front row with his family.

The last week we had together we were able to share communion with him and his family using this portable communion set that I still take with me today to visit you when you're in the hospital or in a place where you need communion at home. He died two days later even though we had an entire church and many people across the country praying for him. It was one of those moments where I was angry with God because I was not given a magic wand when I was in seminary and I thought I was going to be able to help people as a pastor. **I had always thought God could and would do anything if enough people prayed. But people had. And God didn't. Who was God? What good is God? What was God thinking?"**

Many of you have this same question as you have prayed fervently for people that you loved and yet the prayer was not answered the way you hoped. I often remind people that I have only seen miraculous healing three times, but I have prayed millions of prayers, so my batting average is not very good. We get to a place where you wonder why God doesn't stop the suffering or heal the sickness. We all have wondered where God is and what God is doing when suffering happens and there is no immediate relief.

We learned last week that we are not the first people to pray these sorts of prayers. The psalms contain many prayers of lament and complaint, including Psalm 22 that Jesus prayed from the cross.

BIBLE

[1] My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
Why are you so far away when I groan for help?
[2] Every day I call to you, my God, but you do not answer.
Every night I lift my voice, but I find no relief.

I hope today we might think more deeply about how prayer works

and what prayer even is as we struggle with unanswered prayers. I pray multiple times every day, including for many of you. I have pleaded with God for healing that hasn't come. There also have been times when something happened and it seemed like a clear answer to prayer. I have felt in my own life moments where God has stepped in and intervened, but most of the time God has worked in the natural world through people and the processes God put in motion when God created the world. Sometimes we don't see that healing because it can't happen through human hands and we get frustrated and angry.

Part of why we struggle in this issue as followers of Jesus is that we don't see happening what we read about in Matthew 21 as Jesus speaks to his disciples towards the end of his public ministry.

BIBLE

> [21a] **Then Jesus told them, "I tell you the truth, if you have faith and don't doubt, you can do things like this and much more.**

If we take Jesus literally in this text then it seemed like as long as we believe and have faith, we will get whatever we pray for. Is that how it works? If it did work this way, then every single football team would win the Super bowl every single year. Whenever I think of this conundrum, I remember a scene from that wonderful movie ***Bruce Almighty*** where Jim Carrey gets to play God for a day and one of his first tasks is to answer everybody's prayer requests…just from Buffalo NY!

VIDEO Bruce Almighty Prayer Requests

The scene captures the challenge that is if it logically possible to answer everyone's prayers? One of the results of his reply to all is that everybody wins $1.00 in the lottery because everybody prayed for it. I'm not sure they felt like winners!

When we bought our house more than 20 years ago here in Durango, we found out that the person trying to sell it had reduced the

price several times before anyone showed up to look. He was frustrated so he purchased one of these Saint Joseph kits that you can buy when you're trying to sell your house. You take it outside and you bury it upside down or face down with the feet facing the house you're trying to sell or the house you're trying to buy depending on your prayer request. Saint Joseph is supposed to sell your house even for more than it's worth. What a deal! It even says these great words at the bottom.

"Let Faith and St. Joseph and help sell your home!"

GRAPHIC St. Joseph House Seller Kit

Unless you're the buyer who is praying for a house at a reasonable price which is pretty near impossible here in Durango nowadays. Would God answer someone's prayer by forcing someone else to buy your house even though it might need work or it's being sold for more than it's worth? Would God answer someone's prayer for a lower priced home that might cause hardship for the person selling it depending on their situation? Where does God cut a deal somewhere in the middle like good Realtors might do? It could easily feel like God is unjust or fair if we are forced to do things because someone else prays for them and we are caught in the crossfire.

I think of the person that was looking for a job, and they prayed very hard and asked myself and the church to pray for them and we did. They needed a certain salary level and when they got to be a finalist at two different places, they were offered the job, but it wasn't the salary they wanted so they said "no" because they believed God would answer their prayer and give them a higher paying job. That never did happen and this person was angry with God because their prayer was not answered in just the way they wanted even though they might have had a good job that led to an even better pay down the road. We interview candidates here and could you imagine if we were forced to hire the person who prayed the hardest instead of the one that was the most qualified? How would anyone feel that was fair?

The literal meaning behind these words of Jesus seemed to contradict the character of God which is justice and righteousness. I want to suggest that if everybody's prayers were answered literally then there would not only be lots of conflict, but life would lose its meaning because it would mean we didn't need to try to do anything, but we simply could wish things into existence. If we get what we ask for every time, then we lose out on the ability to develop character which comes from moving through difficult things.

I think of all the prayers that I have prayed throughout my life that have not been answered the way I wanted them and because of that I have ended up where I am today. Having to work through those hard moments shaped me into the person who is your pastor, both the good parts and the bad parts. The truth is that I'm not perfect, but I've learned through all the unanswered prayers that all I can do is place my life into the hands of the Potter and allow myself to be molded by the clay. I have been forced to try things I never would have tried and do things I never would have done.

My guess is that if you look back over your life it's those hardest moments, those unanswered prayers, that have shaped you and made you the person that you are today. I get that sometimes we wish it was different and we were different people, but I want to remind us that I don't think God makes all those bad things happen. But if we will place those difficult moments and those unanswered prayers into the hands of God we believe that God can mold them and shape them and bring about something beautiful. I don't believe that God stops working when our prayer goes unanswered. God brings people across our path and helps us experience different things and then we find the prayer answered in the most unusual way.

I was reading this last week an article by a chaplain who spent time with thousands of people as they were dying and found that there were two things that people wanted most on their deathbed. They wanted to restore relationships with family and friends and they

wanted to be at peace because they knew that death was inevitable and coming for them at some point. I think of the number of people I have met with who have had some illness that was going to lead to death and how prayers for healing were not answered in a physical sense but how I've seen families reconnect before someone dies. I shared last week the story of al who got cancer and I met him when he was at stage 4 and we had many discussions and he was baptized and he was able to claim Christ as a savior so that in the end, he was at peace.

I think of the number of times I have met with people and prayed with them, and they haven't gotten the answer they wanted but how they will come back to me and tell me they were grateful now that God didn't answer that prayer the way they wanted. Garth Brooks wrote a song in 1990 that captures this idea. He tells the story in the song of running into his high school sweetheart years later at a reunion. He had prayed when he was in high school that God would make her his wife and bring them together but all these years later, he looks at the wife he has and he is grateful.

SLIDE

… Sometimes I thank God for unanswered prayers
Remember when you're talking to the man upstairs
That just because He doesn't answer doesn't mean He don't care
Some of God's greatest gifts are unanswered prayers

I don't think God makes girls to go out with boys they don't want to go out with, and I don't think God makes boys chase after girls that are not interested. That's us sometimes imposing our own will on a prayer. I think of the many times in scripture where people's prayers are not answered. The apostle Paul talked about a thorn in the flesh and none of us knows exactly what physical ailment that was but it clearly was something that he wanted to no longer experience and he felt was holding him back. Some think it may have been macular

degeneration or some other eye disorder. It could have been anxiety or depression. It may have been a desire which was not appropriate or a struggle with his faith. It may have been his past that haunted him when he would kill Christians for a living.

We read that Paul prayed 3 times for God to take it away. Here's what we read he heard from God in those moments of prayer from Romans 12.

BIBLE

> 8 **Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away.** 9 **Each time he said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness." So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me.** 10 **That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong.**

Then of course there is Jesus, the son of God, the night before he will be crucified Praying in a garden. He throws himself on the ground, pleading with God, and perspiring drops of blood. He prays this prayer in Luke 22.

BIBLE

> 42 **"Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine."**

Some would argue that all our prayers are answered, it's just that sometimes the answer is no and sometimes the answer is yes and sometimes the answer is later. That probably is true, but it still feels like in that moment we are not being heard by God and it's painful. We can feel like God is not paying attention and doesn't care.

One of the ways I like to look at these words of Jesus when it comes to praying and having faith and having those prayers answered is by understanding something that he uses often which is prophetic

hyperbole. He makes big sweeping statements to make a point. We exaggerate from time to time when we say things like, "I'm so hungry I could eat a horse." Sometimes we'll say to someone, "I have told you this 1000 times," when it's only been two or three. Sometimes when we've been on our feet all day, we will say something like come up "my feet are killing me," but they're not really killing you. They just hurt but we exaggerate to make a point which sometimes means, "Would you please give me a foot massage?"

Jesus uses prophetic hyperbole quite a bit when he says things like, "If your eye causes you to sin then pluck it out. It's easier for the camel to go through an eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of heaven." I think in this text in Matthew 21 he is using this same technique of exaggeration to make a point.

BIBLE

> 21 **Then Jesus told them, "I tell you the truth, if you have faith and don't doubt, you can do things like this and much more. You can even say to this mountain, 'May you be lifted up and thrown into the sea,' and it will happen.** 22 **You can pray for anything, and if you have faith, you will receive it."**

Can we literally move a mountain into the sea with our prayers? Jesus didn't do that nobody else is going to do it either. He is telling us to trust and to have faith when we pray. What I've discovered is that sometimes the prayer that I pray closes me off from God rather than opening me up and I want to suggest to you that part of our issue is with just the way we look at prayer and so let's talk about how we might understand what prayer is and what prayer is not.

SLIDE Why do we pray?

Prayer is more about entering a relationship with God than it is about getting something from a Pez dispenser or a genie in a bottle. Prayer is about yielding our lives to God. Prayer is less a transaction and more about an investment in something meaningful and rich. Prayer is

about connection and communion with God so that we know that we're not alone as we go through whatever it is we're facing.

Imagine if you were in a relationship with a parent or a child or a spouse or anybody else that's a friend or important and the only thing that happens is the other person asks you for things. There's never a question of how you're doing or whether they care about you, they just want something from you. Is that really a relationship? What kind of relationship would that be? If we're honest, this is the kind of relationship most of us have when it comes to our prayer life and God. I know it was true for me for many years until I remember reading these words by CS Lewis when I was in college I believe.

GRAPHIC CS Lewis I Don't Pray to Change God

"I don't pray to change God. I pray so that God would change me." Sometimes we pray to instruct God how to run the world instead of asking God to help us manage the world that already is. I love the image of being a child and scraping our knee and then crawling into the parent's lap and being embraced as well as healed. Prayer is meant to be a way for us to crawl into the lap of God which is why I think Jesus talked about becoming like a child to enter the Kingdom of heaven. It's about acknowledging our needs and surrendering ourselves to the one who made us to love us.

We know we can do that because of the cross and I have often taught you that the cross I believe is meant to be an image that washes over us. **Yes, we believe that Jesus sacrificed himself for us but that is not about a transaction but about a relationship.** The cross is bent to remind us that God meets us in our pain and carries us when we can no longer carry ourselves. Many years ago, I was with someone as they were in the active phase of dying and at one point, he became lucid for a few moments, and they asked me if I could feel it. I was looking around to see if they had an IV or something pressing up against them or if I was sitting on their IV, but they began to smile and asked if I

could **feel the embrace**. There was no one else in the room, but they had a physical sense of being held and that experience happened just after we had **prayed the Lord's Prayer**.

There's another idea about prayer that I think is powerful and important. I do believe that there are times when we can't pray for ourselves because it's just too hard and painful. One of the reasons that we have a prayer chain here is that because we have people who have volunteered to carry your pain and to bring that to God in prayer. When I get those prayer requests I stop in my office and sometimes, I kneel and there have been times when I've laid on the floor praying for you or for something going on in someone's life. I do believe that when we do that there is power in it. We talked in the last series of sermons on dreams about uh how it is that when we can't dream we can borrow hope and borrow strength for those dreams. I think the same is true for prayer.

SLIDE Prayer is a way to love others and connects us to them

I talked last week briefly about the loss of our son, and I remember when that happened and how many of you were praying for us and I was so grateful because there were days, I couldn't pray. I believe we can feel it when others are giving us their love and their empathy. I know that for some people that sounds mysterious and strange, but I do believe that faith is part mystery and there are ways that God works that I don't fully understand and my guess is you don't either. I think about our current wireless technology that allows us to transmit data from place to place and from satellites to the earth. There already have been breakthroughs in electricity that can be transferred from place to place without wires, so I guess it is not too far-fetched to think about us sending energy to one another through prayer.

As followers of Jesus, we believe in the power of the Holy Spirit, and I do believe Jesus sends his Holy Spirit, and it connects those of us

in the body of Christ. I read a great book several years ago called "Quantum Faith," by Leonard Sweet who was ahead of his time. Quantum mechanics and quantum physics are continually looking at how different subatomic particles are connected across great distances. Increasingly we are understanding how connected we all are and how articles in one part of the world can impact particles in another part of the world. There is a part of me that believes that when I'm praying for you or you are praying for me even across distances, we are sending each other empathy and love by the power of the Holy Spirit.

I have seen on retreats and in worship spaces how prayer connects people to each other, and you can feel a movement in the room. I feel something when I pray with my wife or my daughter or the staff here at the church or other leaders. I have heard from many people going through loss and grief and physical illness that they can tell when people are praying for them. Some might argue that it's just a placebo effect and just knowing that people are supporting you makes you feel better, but who cares! If you feel better because people are praying for you, wouldn't you want people praying for you?

SLIDE Prayer opens our hearts to God

I also believe that prayer opens our hearts to God in a way that allows us to release anxiety and fear and give those things to the one who made us to love us. We know from the world of psychology that psychosomatic illnesses can have power over us. Anxiety can raise our blood pressure and then hypertension affects other parts of our body. There is a reason that Jesus said "fear not" many times. We also see interactions with Jesus like the woman with the issue of a blood illness where she couldn't stop bleeding. This story is found in Matthew, Mark and Luke 8. There is a crowd following Jesus and he senses that someone reaches out to touch him for healing.

BIBLE

46 **But Jesus said, "Someone deliberately touched me, for I felt**

healing power go out from me." [47] When the woman realized that she could not stay hidden, she began to tremble and fell to her knees in front of him. The whole crowd heard her explain why she had touched him and that she had been immediately healed. [48] "Daughter," he said to her, "your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

Jesus uses that phrase, "your faith has made you well, and it's especially powerful to have it followed up with, "go in peace." Peace is about Shalom or Wholeness and healing of the entire body, mind, and spirit. We find several places in the gospels where people are brought to Jesus for healing and Jesus says some words that we should pay attention to when we think about this idea of prayer. We find this story in Matthew 9.

BIBLE

[2] **Some people brought to him a paralyzed man on a mat. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, "Be encouraged, my child! Your sins are forgiven."**

Jesus recognizes that sometimes it is our fear and our brokenness and our sin that separates us from God and others and ourselves and keeps us paralyzed. I believe This is why the apostle Paul, writing from prison to the people of Philippi, says these words in Philippians 4.

BIBLE

[6] **Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done.**
[7] **Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.**

This piece is the same word that Jesus offers to the woman who has been bleeding for many years. Somehow in our connection to God through prayer, we can find a sense of peace that this world can't

provide. This idea is captured in the great gospel hymn, “What A Friend We have In Jesus.”

SLIDE

What a Friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Everything to God in prayer!

SLIDE

O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer!

That leads me to the last thing I want to leave us with as we think about this idea of prayer and how it works in our lives. In Luke 5 we have one of my favorite stories where a group of friends bring a man who is paralyzed on a mat to see Jesus. They lower him through the roof because there is such a large crowd and Jesus responds with these words.

BIBLE

20 **Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, “Young man, your sins are forgiven.”**

This is one of my favorite stories in the Bible because it's a powerful reminder of the importance of others praying for us and having faith in us and how Jesus offers forgiveness because he knows that sometimes we are carrying stuff that is keeping us paralyzed. But in this case, the healing happens because of the faith of these 4 friends. This story is one of the reasons I ask you often that when you feel like you can't get to Jesus and you can't pray, who are the four people that will carry you. We all need those kinds of people in our lives.

This story reminds us of the power we all must become the

answer to people's prayers. I cannot tell you the number of times people have told me that going through a difficult moment in life, someone shows up at just the right time with a meal or to clean up around the house or to read a book or to watch a sports event. I will never forget talking to one of our church members who was stuck in bed with a horrible breaking of their leg. They fell out of bed and couldn't reach their phone. They prayed that God might rescue them and just then the phone rang but of course they couldn't reach it. Within about 15 minutes of the phone ringing, someone knocked on the door. The person who called was a friend that had decided they needed to stop by and make sure their friend was OK. The person on the floor screamed and their friend opened the door and as they were helping their friend into bed, she said, "you are the answer to my prayer."

When Christians were fighting against slavery during the abolitionist movement, it wasn't simply enough for them to send thoughts and prayers to end slavery. They prayed instead, "use me to end slavery." When it comes to the civil rights movement from the 1950s and 60s and the issues in our day around people being mistreated both in other parts of the world and in our nation, it's not enough to say something was bad. Our prayers should lead us to alleviate suffering and injustice. It's why James, the half-brother of Jesus, wrote these words in chapter 2.

BIBLE

> [17] **So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.**

Our prayers have no power at all unless we are willing to be the miracle and the answer to people's prayers. I love this scene that happens towards the end of that movie *Bruce Almighty* where Bruce confesses to the mess he made by giving everybody what they wanted and how it just caused havoc. Morgan Freeman, who plays God, talks to

Bruce about what miracles are all about in the world.

VIDEO Bruce Almighty Miracles

That brings me back to the funeral I told you about at the beginning of the message with the father who left twin girls in second grade and a daughter in 8th grade. I shared a story at the wedding about a boy who had lost his father and was extremely sad. His grandfather bought him a kite, and they took it out to fly it and it went way up to the point where they could no longer see it. The grandfather asked the young boy where the kite was, and the boy said it was up there somewhere. But the grandfather asked how he knew that there was a kite when he couldn't see it. The boy said it was because he could feel the tug.

GRAPHIC Kite

It's a sweet story and I gave each of the girls a kite to go out and fly someday to remember their dad. Of course, at the end of the service, before the reception, the girls came up and grabbed my hands and said, “let's go fly a kite.” I hadn't really thought this through. But you can't say no to these sweet girls looking up at you with alligator tears in their eyes.

So, we went outside and it was a cold day in the winter, but we got the kites up in the air and the girls wanted to live out the story, so they got it higher and higher to try to get it behind the clouds. We just used one kite so he wouldn't tangle the lines and at one point it got almost to the end of the string and then, “snap.” The line broke. I was horrified and had no idea what to do. But the entire funeral attendance was watching us and they immediately went and got in their cars and began to follow this kite all around Colorado Springs. Several people said they were going to go back to the church and pray that we would find the kite. I'm just shaking my head and feeling like an idiot.

Before I got in my car, one of the people asked where I got the kite because they were gonna go buy one just in case. I got in my car,

and we drove around for 20 minutes following this kite, and I kid you not, that kite came down across the street from their home. Every so often I get a Facebook message from those girls, and I have seen them a few times when I've been in Colorado Springs as they are now adults. We always marvel at the miracle of the kite, and they believed their father brought it home and because of that he would always be with him.

Do I believe that our prayers were answered that day? Yes. Do I believe God answered them? I don't know. I do know that it took a group of people with faith to drive around a city without having any idea where that kite would land. I would have rather had their father healed from his lung cancer.

What I know is that in my life I have had plenty of unanswered prayers. I mostly look back and am grateful for those prayers not being answered but there are some I wish they had. There are times I look back, and I grieve the pain that happened. I understand why but I'm still sad.

And I still pray. When I pray, I feel like I'm connecting with God in a very intimate way that builds a relationship that is meant to sustain me. I imagine climbing into a parent's laugh who holds me. Sometimes I pray and I feel like I'm letting go of a burden. I can't get rid of the burden in any other way, so it helps me deal with my anxiety.

Sometimes I pray so hard that it leads me to action because of the empathy and love I feel placed in my heart by God. Prayer changes me. Prayer empowers me. I believe it helps all of us when we turn to God and when we pray. I believe it is profound when we can shift our question from “why” two “what now.” That's the invitation we get from Jesus from the cross.

I pray that we would look at the cross and remember that we have a savior in Jesus Christ whose prayer was not answered but who gave us a gift by sacrificing himself and doing for us something we

cannot do on our own. Just like he offered healing and forgave the woman's sins and the man on the mat, he offers us forgiveness and healing by his work on the cross. I pray we would look at that and not ask “what now.”

Maybe your next step is to make a commitment to prayer every day. Make a list of people that you want to pray for and carry it with you. Use the meditation moments and spend extra time on the prayer section that we give you for each day. See if prayer might change your heart and connect you to God and to others in a way that you have been missing because you need both. Mostly, I pray that you wouldn't just look up but that you would look around and ask, “what now,” so that we might be the answer to people's prayers, remembering that those prayers can bring us, and the world, peace and wholeness.

Let’s pray by whispering this prayer under your breath…

SLIDE Prayer

Thank you, God, for everything…

I offer my life to you…

May I grow to love others through prayer…

May I grow closer to You through prayer…

Use me to be the answer to other’s prayers…

Pointing people to hope in You and your son Jesus.

In Jesus’ Name. Amen

October 24-25 Order

1. Countdown
2. Ryan welcomes people, inviting them to stand in body or spirit.
3. Song – "God So Loved"
4. Song – "Living Hope"
5. Jeff welcomes and shares:
    A. QR Code
    B. Connect Card
    C. Invites people to greet each other
6. Sermon Video Intro
7. Sermon
8. Prayer by Jeff
9. Med Moments
10. Offering
11. **SLIDE Fall Fest in Sanctuary**
12. Song – "Lord, I Need You"
13. Prayer and Lord's Prayer
14. Care Ministers
15. The Bridge
16. Charge Conference Tuesday at 6 PM
17. Closing Prayer