



Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017



Pastor Paul Behnke

When I look at my role as a parent, my desire is to teach, equip, and discipline my children in such a way that they would obey, follow, and do what is right. I don't want my kid hitting another kid at school, drawing with marker on the walls, or using their words to hurt others. But those things happen in our house somewhat regularly, giving me a lot of opportunities to parent. I once heard a parenting principle that says, "connect as you correct." The same is true for our relationship with God. There are times that we may need correction, but what God wants most for us is a connection with Him. Next time you feel ashamed coming to God again with the same sin, come with the goal of connecting with your Father. That's what He wants. That's what we need as our spirit cries, "Abba, Father." (Romans 8:15)

NOTES

Matthew 25:14-30

Colossians 3:17

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

Elders are available for prayer Sunday mornings during and between all services. Please stop by the Welcome Center any time during the morning and one of our staff would be happy to connect you with an elder for prayer.

Don't forget that you can also submit prayer requests through the AAC website by clicking on *Ministries* and then *Prayer*, or by calling the Front Desk during regular office hours. Prayer teams will pray for your request for one week.

ADULTS

Explore Membership

Monday, Jan. 23 | 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Hangar 36

No cost | aacur.ch/em12317

Are you ready to go from regular attender to member? Familiarize yourself with our statement of faith, get your questions answered, and learn the steps to becoming fully integrated into the church. Attending this class is a prerequisite to membership.

SENIORS

Movie Night: The Ben Carson Story

Thursday, Jan. 19 | 6:00 p.m.

SMC | No cost or registration

Enjoy popcorn, pop, fellowship, and a movie with other senior adults.

WOMEN

Women's Retreat 2017: Quest

Feb. 24-26

Osthoff Resort | Elkhart Lake, WI

Cost varies | aacwomensretreat.org

Journey with us as we join the Queen of Sheba on her quest for wisdom. You will be challenged, changed, and entertained by our speaker, Liz Curtis Higgs. For post-high school age and older.

MEN

Guys' Night Out

Thursday, Jan. 26 | 6:00-9:00 p.m.

SMC

Cost: \$10 | aacur.ch/mno12617

This is a night for the guys. We'll eat BBQ, have friendly competition, and wrestle with some of the challenges that impact our lives on a daily basis.

XCEL SPORTS

Men's Frozen Tundra Flag Football

Saturday, Jan. 21 | 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Xcel Soccer Fields (West Parking Lot)

Cost: \$80/team | aacur.ch/mfffb12117

You may not be able to throw like Aaron Rodgers or run like Jordy Nelson, but snow is the great equalizer! This is a great chance to invite friends from outside AAC to join your team. Teams can have up to 10 players. Chili/snacks will be available throughout the tournament. The deadline to register is Feb. 16.

WELCOME We're glad you're here!

Stop by the Welcome Center in the Hub. We have a gift for you and would love to connect with you. Find out what's happening at AAC at appletonalliance.org

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Sunday Services: 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.