



Sunday, Jan. 29, 2017



Rev. Brian Episcopo

Ezekiel records God talking to His people, saying,

“Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. Your filth will be washed away, and you will no longer worship idols. And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.” (Ezekiel 36:25-27 NLT)

Isn't that the problem? Our hearts are just not that sensitive. The world equates strength and courage with hard-heartedness. A “softie” is someone who weeps easily or can't “handle it.” But isn't that like God to desire the opposite of what the world celebrates? He desires a sensitive, tender, responsive HEART. This is a tough request to make, but when was the last time you asked God to break your heart? To soften it? Tenderize it? To replace it with one that is easily affected; a heart unable to carry the weight of even the smallest offense toward God?

NOTES

JAMES 5 HEALING SERVICE Today, Jan. 29 | During all services

During the worship service, the congregation is offered an opportunity to pray with the elders about health, relationship, job, and other concerns.

Slip out anytime and meet by the fireplace in the Hub.

ADULTS



Small Group Roots

Thursday, Feb. 16 | 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Hangar 36 | No cost
Register at aachur.ch/sgr21617

Community starts when you decide to get connected. Come investigate Small Group openings, while learning the benefits of doing life with others. Visit the kiosk in the Hub between services today to register for this event.

DINNER 6

Register to be a part of DINNER 6 at the Hub Kiosk between services today. This series runs Feb., March, and April.

DINNER 6 gives six people an opportunity to get connected in a more personal way over food, fun, and fellowship. Meals are hosted at your group's homes and rotate to each home for three months.

CHILDREN

Child Dedication Parent Meeting
Monday, Jan. 30 | 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Hangar 36 | No cost
Register at aachur.ch/cdpm13017

Learn the Biblical reasoning behind child dedication and how it is different from infant baptism. Attendance is required one time only by one or both parents. The date of the Child Dedication ceremony will be confirmed after receipt of the application that parents receive at the meeting.

WOMEN

Soul Food

Thursday, Feb. 2 | 6:00-8:00 p.m.
No cost
Register at aachur.ch/wsf2217

Get your body moving and your Spirit fed. Join a short Cardio Dance or Stretch class, followed by a nutrition discussion, delicious and healthy snacks, and fun fellowship. Bring a friend and your water bottle or exercise mat.

SENIORS

Bible Breakfast

Wednesday, Feb. 8 | 8:00 a.m.
(Second Wednesday of each month)
Machine Shed Restaurant | No registration

Join us at the Machine Shed (220 Fox River Dr., Appleton) as we study the book of Romans. Bring a friend, your Bible, and \$6 to cover the cost of breakfast.

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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