

IN WAYNE & BEYOND

Love God, Love Others & Serve the World!

Letter from the Pastor

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Dear Church of the Saviour family,

Our discipleship process (i.e., how we intentionally grow in spiritual maturity in Jesus Christ) is captured in three phrases: *Love God, Love Others, and Serve the World*. To simply describe the process: *Loving God* is what we do collectively on Sunday mornings when we come to worship God. Now we can and should worship God individually, but both the Old Testament and New Testament are replete with examples and exhortations that the people of God are to gather collectively to worship Him. Corporate worship is the hub of the wheel as far as we are concerned at Church of the Saviour.

Next, *Loving Others* is something that the Bible speaks about frequently. There is a relational context that is assumed in Scripture where the people of God meet with other followers of Christ over the truth of God's Word so that we can experience horizontal and vertical love. Life on life relationships are vital to our growth in Jesus Christ. Where this doesn't occur naturally, it is our responsibility to provide opportunities for this kind of relational context. We do this through our Community Groups at COS. If you haven't yet joined a Community Group, we recommend this as the next best step for growing in Christ.

Last, the phrase *Serving the World* describes using the gifts, talents, and resources that Jesus has blessed us with for the benefit of others so that they too can worship God and spread His gospel of love to others. There are countless opportunities to serve both inside and outside the church, but the call to serve is clear and compelling in Scripture. Jesus told His disciples

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then and He tells us now, "Just as the Father has sent Me, I also send you" (Jn. 20:21). Have you found a place to serve where the love that God has poured into you through Christ can be shared with others? If not, we want to help!

On Sunday, August 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. we will have a Volunteer Fair in our Welcome Center (i.e., the large open space next to the Corner Café that is outside the Sanctuary). Our different ministries will be represented so you can visit with some of our leaders, ask questions and find the best fit for the gifts God has given you to be spent on behalf of others. In this newsletter, you will find more specifics where we have opportunities for you to share your time, talents, and treasure. This is a great way to love Jesus – by serving the world!

What a blessing it is to get to serve King Jesus and to lock arms with our sisters and brothers as we labor joyfully in His Kingdom. May we sink our roots deeper into the soil of our faith and may we never stop sharing the love of Jesus with those inside and OUTSIDE our church. We look forward to interacting with you at the Volunteer Fair, Sunday, Aug. 22!

Until all have heard,

Pastor Kevin



Outreach Spotlight

by Christian Eichorn



We are just a few weeks away from the start of ALPHA, and we're getting excited! Your ALPHA leadership team is working hard to prepare our hearts and our campus to welcome new participants to ALPHA, ALPHA Marriage and Rooted. ALPHA and ALPHA Marriage will kick off on September 21. Registration opens in mid-August. ALPHA will meet in-person on Tuesday nights and ALPHA Marriage will meet virtually on Wednesday evenings.

Rooted is our follow-up discipleship class to ALPHA. We encourage community groups and Sunday School classes to commit one term this ministry year to experiencing the spiritual rhythms all Christians need in their spiritual journey.

To make ALPHA successful in reaching and serving those outside of our church family, we need your support. Leading up to the start date, we ask you to PRAY. Ask God who could you invite to ALPHA this semester: a coworker, a new friend, a family member who has questions about their faith? When I walk our dog, I pray over our neighbors as I pass their homes, followed closely by a prayer for boldness and opportunities to ask them if they'd be interested in ALPHA. I've sent a text to a group of friends letting them know ALPHA is starting up again soon, and another one when registration opens (they all said "no" the first 3 times I asked, but after my 4th ask, 4 couples registered for ALPHA Marriage!). I work ALPHA & ALPHA Marriage into my normal, everyday conversations with pretty much anyone I talk to. They know it's coming up, that it's important to me and that I'm excited about it.

The second way you can support ALPHA is to HELP at the ALPHA kick-off celebration on Saturday, August 28 from 4PM to 8PM. The purpose of this celebration is to stir excitement for our fall events AND give each of us an opportunity to invite friends/family who wouldn't normally feel comfortable walking into a church building on a Sunday morning. There will be games, fire pits, food, music, and a chance to experience what a typical ALPHA, ALPHA Marriage and Rooted class is like. We need volunteers to help make this an memorable event for all of our guests.

The ALPHA leadership team is also looking for VOLUNTEERS. We need table leaders and helpers for ALPHA, a team of volunteers to help prepare and serve food, another couple to help facilitate ALPHA Marriage, and leaders for Rooted. How could God use your gifts and talents to help in these areas?

If you have any questions or would like to get involved with ALPHA, we'd love to chat with you! Come see us at the volunteer fair, or you can email Christian (cheich14@gmail.com) or Leslie (laholste@gmail.com) anytime.

A Fight Against Modern-Day Slavery

by Deneen McDonald

“You may choose to look the other way; but you can never say again that you did not know.” These are the words of the great abolitionist leader, William Wilberforce, who boldly fought against his fellow parliament leaders to eliminate the British slave trade. Almost 2 centuries later, there is a similar ongoing war for the freedom of victims trapped in the modern-day slavery called human trafficking.



Human trafficking is a form of slavery where human beings are controlled and exploited for profit. Perpetrators use force, fraud and coercion to keep their victims under control while the victims are subjected to labor that denies their human dignity. Human trafficking is a multi-billion-dollar global industry with more than 35 million children and adults enslaved around the world today. Men, women and children as young as 4 years, are forced to work on fishing boats, in brick kilns, and in the illicit sex and pornography industries. Internationally, those most vulnerable to trafficking are those who live in areas where educational resources are scarce, and high unemployment breeds hopelessness. The cultural inequality of women denied of human rights and treated as property makes them easy prey for human and sex trafficking.

Here in the United States, trafficking is camouflaged as legitimate businesses such as nail salons, massage parlors, hotels, and restaurants. Victims are threatened and mistreated by their “employers” exposed to unhealthy working conditions, low wages, long hours with little or no time off, and physical and sexual abuse. Teenage girls around the age of 14 are a common target for sex trafficking and are lured into the industry through romantic gestures from a perpetrator. Once trust is secured, they are subjected to prostitution and internet pornography, a huge market within the sex trafficking industry where young girls (and boys) are forced to perform sexually exploitive acts generated by the growing online demand. It's not uncommon for perpetrators to use drugs or threaten their victims with physical abuse as a means to keep them under control.

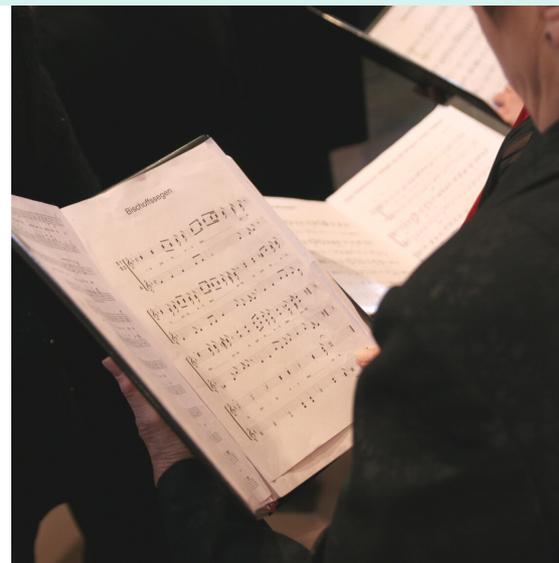
Like the early abolitionists, the church cannot “look the other way”; but must fully engage in the fight against the mistreatment of God's beloved around the world. It is our biblical responsibility to protect the oppressed and vulnerable and uphold their value as children of God. The women of COS have had opportunities to engage in the battle through increased awareness, prayer and donations to local women victimized by the sex trafficking industry. However, we want to engage further in bringing hope to those who are victims of these horrific crimes. In September, we'll be hosting *Worth It*, a seven-week program in partnership with Worthwhile Wear, a Christian organization located in Souderton offering comprehensive services to survivors of sex trafficking. The *Worth It* program is a series of classroom experiences designed for women who have experienced sexual trauma from exploitation, trafficking or prostitution. We're excited to have the full support of the Radnor Police Dept, the Department of Health, and the Domestic Violence Center all who will be on campus to present to these women. We also have members of COS who will be sharing with the women on important topics like trauma, managing finances, and addiction recovery. If you'd like to be a part of this ministry, we have additional needs for others to lead in a one-time 40 minute class in exercise, art, or sharing your hobby. We also need volunteers for meals and prayer. We'd love to have the full support of the Church of the Saviour family as we extend the love of Christ to these women. How will you help? To volunteer, see our listing under *Worth It* program or [click here](#).

Volunteer Needs

Fall 2021

Choir and Orchestra

We are looking for volunteers to use their gifts in the choir and orchestra. As we reintegrate the choir into Sunday services, we're looking to build our numbers and regain the momentum we had pre-pandemic. For the orchestra, we're always looking for more players to fill out the sections. Even if you see several players that play your instrument on any given Sunday, there's always room for more. I'd be happy to write 3rd and 4th clarinet parts, have 4 French horns, or try and find somewhere to seat 12 violins. Those would be good problems to have to address. For more information, email andy@coswayne.org.



Alpha and Alpha Marriage

The Alpha team is looking for help both leading and supporting the Fall courses.

- Alpha: Table leaders and helpers
- Alpha: Volunteers to help prepare and serve the food each week
- Alpha Marriage: Couples to help facilitate ALPHA Marriage

For more information, email alpha@coswayne.org.

Global Outreach

There are many ways to serve in Global Outreach. We have a huge need for people to volunteer this fall as we re-launch our ReachInternational diaspora outreach efforts. This past year has impacted our diaspora community as travel restrictions have prevented them from seeing their family, often hearing difficult reports from home and feeling extra isolated as they experience the pandemic in a foreign land. We meet practical needs while building friendships, creating community and sharing the love of Jesus. We have a furniture matching program to provide for international students, a Saturday morning English as a Second Language program and we want to begin offering professional development workshops for ESL and international students. We need help creating the professional development workshops; people to serve in ESL as a teacher or classroom assistant, to provide snacks or organize/host social events or help with childcare. To donate furniture or assist with delivery to international students, [sign-up here](#). To serve in another way, sign up at our table, or contact debrag@coswayne.org to volunteer.





Community Group Leaders

We're looking for men and women leaders committed to their own spiritual growth, good character, and integrity to facilitate group meetings to discuss the weekly sermon. Requirements include at least one semester experience of group participation, a member of good standing (or planning to become a member within the next six months), and spiritually and socially warm. To interview for a potential community group leader position, please email us at groups@coswayne.org.

Special Needs Ministry

Kids: We are looking for individuals who can serve as Buddies. Serving as a buddy to an individual with a disability provides friendship, discipleship, and belonging for the whole family.

Together Won (18+ Young Adults): We are looking for volunteers and helpers for our Wednesday Fellowship Nights. Get to know our participants and join us as we socialize, play games, and grow together in our faith.



First Impressions Team (FIT)

The First Impressions Team (FIT) mission is to glorify God by reducing the barriers between guest and God on Sunday mornings. It can be intimidating to walk into an unfamiliar building full of unfamiliar faces and figure out where to go and how to “do” church. FIT volunteers help guests navigate that experience with engaging, friendly, and biblical hospitality. Would you prayerfully consider being part of our team in helping to steward hospitality? Take up the awesome privilege of intersecting your life with someone whose steps God himself has directed to our doorstep! We are specifically looking for greeters, ushers, and Corner Café greeters/attendants. Ready to make a lasting first impression? Email James at jamesm@coswayne.org for full details and any questions.

Kids Ministry

Nursery: In the COS Nursery, we have many fun opportunities for you to snuggle with a precious baby or sing songs with adorable toddlers! We invite adults and teens of all ages to join us in supporting the young families of our church by caring for and teaching their kids that Jesus loves them. All training and delicious snacks are provided. Please get in touch with our Nursery Coordinator, Janice Shehan, at Janices@coswayne.org

Preschool & Elementary: We believe that bible learning should be fun, relevant, thought-provoking, and life-changing. Team teaching is critical for effective and creative discipleship and building relationships with our kids. This invites leaders to serve in their gifted areas with support and affirmation. We need lead/co-lead teachers to guide teaching and share the bible lesson; support teachers to lead a lesson activity; greeters/hall monitor; substitute teachers; and Preschool music support teachers. Please get in touch with our Preschool Coordinator, Leticia Altamirano at Leticiaa@coswayne.org, and Elementary Coordinator, Cindy Rumsey, at Cindyr@coswayne.org.

AWANA: Our Awana Clubs welcome all kids ages 3 to 5th grade; Cubbies (3 to 5 yrs. old), Sparks (Kindergarten to 2nd grade) and T&T (3rd – 5th grade). It is our discipleship ministry that teaches Biblical truths with an emphasis on Scripture memorization. We need adult/young adult lead/co-lead teachers to teach in Sparks and T&T clubs, small group discussion leaders, game lead/co-lead teacher, and administrators (attendance, registration, awards etc.)

Other Needs: Contact Katerina Simbo at katerinas@coswayne.org.

- Christmas Kids Musical Director Wanted!
- Fall Fest Planning Committee



Rooted

Do you want to make an impact in other people's lives? Would you like to help people connect with God, church community and know their purpose? This is the goal of our discipleship program, Rooted. We are looking for people to help in this mission which fits so closely to the mission of Church of the Saviour: to make disciples in Wayne and beyond by loving God, loving others and serving the world. We are looking for facilitators, small group leaders, administrators, event organizers, service project coordinator, video editors, etc. If you have a heart for discipleship, we would love to discuss how we can use your talents in Rooted. Both men and women leaders, and married couples serving together. To learn more, check out [Rooted stories](#), or contact [Erin Smith](#)



Care Ministry

Celebrate Recovery is looking for volunteers in the areas of AV, music and greeters.

Financial Peace University is looking for one or two new leaders to join the leadership team.

GriefShare has an immediate need for one new male leader. They will also be looking for a new program leader for the ministry in the next year or two.

The Meal Ministry could use some new volunteers to prepare meals when a need arises.

Stephen Ministry is always looking for new volunteers to be screened and trained as Stephen Ministers.

For more information email roys@coswayne.org.

Focus Single Adults

The Focus Singles Ministry is for single adults, mostly over the age of 50. Focus meets on Campus every Sunday from 10:30am-12:30pm. On occasion we have meetings and socials in private homes off-campus. Our volunteer need is for drivers to take persons to and from Church on Sunday mornings and occasionally to meetings, doctor visits, etc. If you are available, even only once in a while, to give someone a ride to worship services, it would be a help and a blessing. Contact frankc@coswayne.org.



Student Ministry

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few" (Matthew 9:37). Student Ministry has been steadily growing and thriving over the last couple of months. However, our volunteer "supply" does not match our student "demand" and we desperately need volunteer small group leaders for our middle and high school gatherings. We could also use help in mentoring and developing student leaders through monthly meetings for our Student Leadership team launching in the Fall. If you are interested in being a small group leader or would like to help with other areas of Student Ministry (games, tech, set-up/tear-down, retreats, administrative support, etc.) please email deborahb@coswayne.org.

College (CCF)

The COS College Fellowship (CCF) is searching for revival. We have numerous universities in the area with many college and grad students to serve. The CCF team has many ideas to launch a robust college ministry, but too few hands to make it happen. If you have a heart for college students, whether it be through mentorship, bible study, hosting students for home cooked meals, or providing administrative support for the CCF ministry, please email deborahb@coswayne.org.





Women's Ministry

Worth It: We'll be hosting Worth It, a seven-week program for women who have experienced the trauma of sex trafficking and/or exploitation. We'd love to see our church show their support to restoring these women by pouring out the love of Christ to them. You can participate by leading an exercise class, teaching a hobby or an art project for a one-time 45-minute class. Community groups can show their support by providing meals, through prayer or notes of encouragement. There are 11 meetings beginning Monday, Sept. 13 through Friday, Sept. 17 from 9am-3pm; and then every Thursday from Sept. 23-Oct 28th 9am-3pm. To learn more about sex trafficking, read the featured article inside this newsletter. To show your support, [sign-up here](#).

Widows: We are looking for women to join a team serving the widows of our church. This ministry is an opportunity to encourage widows in all stages of life. Please contact [Deneen McDonald](#) to learn how you can serve.

Women's Christmas Event – Wrapped in Splendor: The women's Christmas event will take on a new look this season! We'll still remain focused on outreach to friends, family and the community while inviting COS women of all ages to attend. Our small team of volunteers is excited and eagerly looking for others to join using their gifts to serve in these areas: decorating; games and activities; music; prayer; registration/greeters; and food. We invite you to be a part of this event as we celebrate the birth of Christ while planting seeds of the gospel towards reaching more women for the Kingdom. Contact [Deneen McDonald](#) to join the team.

Free Fridays - Alpha: Free Fridays is a weekly women's bible study serving the mothers of Heritage School students. In September, Free Fridays will be inviting Heritage moms and their friends to join them in exploring Christianity through the Alpha series. If you're a mother of preschoolers or have a heart to serve these moms, we invite you to prayerfully consider joining the Free Fridays team. Areas for serving include table hosts/helpers; setup for breakfast; admin (registration and AV set-up); and prayer. Free childcare is available for attendees, so we always need volunteers to help care for these little ones. Friday meetings begin on 9/24 through 11/19 from 9:30am-11:30am. For more info, please email [Beth Beattie](#).



Communion Prep, Musicians and Singers

Our first area of need is for the team that prepares communion for us once a month. Our hope is to rebuild a team of people that not only does the tangible prep, but also brings a spiritual element to our preparation to this sacrament. Another area is a general need for musicians and singers in the modern service. I'm always looking for those gifted and experienced musically and vocally to join our team and help lead our people in worship of our amazing God. If you're interested in either of areas please email me at JimD@coswayne.org.

Media Arts

We are looking for volunteers who are interested in slide operation, live audio mixing, camera operation, and live video switching/production for our Sunday worship services. We can provide all the training as long as you're comfortable with basic computer use. Being on the unseen crew making things happen on Sundays is fun, but it's also a crucial part of every worship service at COS. We hope you'll consider joining us! Contact davidr@coswayne.org for all the details.



PrayerLink

Do you have a passion for intercessory prayer? We have a team of prayer warriors who receive weekly emails with prayer needs from our congregation and global partners. If you'd like to be a part of this prayer team, email deneenm@coswayne.org.



Community Groups

You aren't meant to do life alone... Get connected to a Community Group to start building relationships, growing in your faith and getting equipped to handle life together!

Text Messaging

Please note this change to Church of the Saviour's text messages for campus information: Future notices will come from 833-744-9334 (no longer 313131).

Questions & Feedback

We welcome and encourage all inquiries: info@coswayne.org.