Spotlight on May 19-21: with Rev. Jeffrey Elmore at COSUMC. Embark on this journey together, a journey to approach God Almighty. Learn how to pray Conscious – not rote; Comfortable – not strained; Conversational – not one directional. Come and be blessed by the power of prayer.

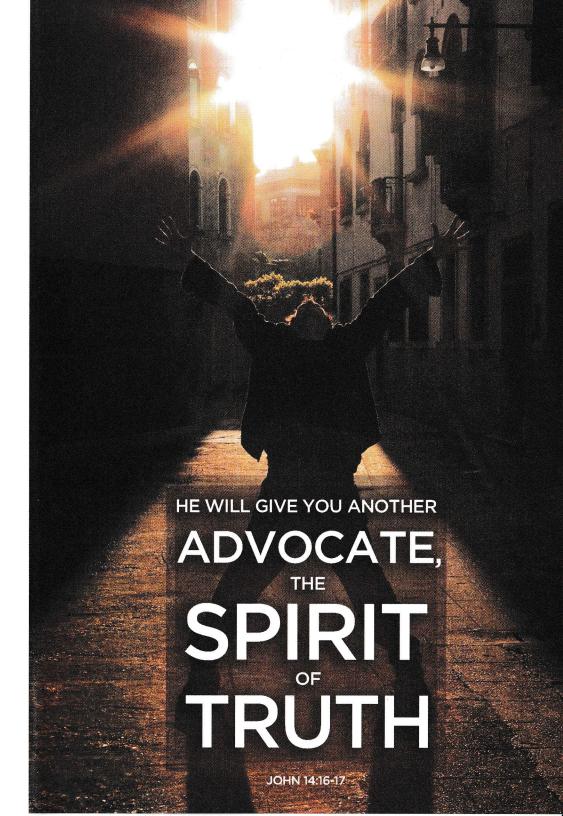
Thursday and Friday evenings from 7-9:00 PM, and Saturday – 9-5:00 PM. Register at COSUMC - \$20.00 Tuition.

NEW EMAIL for PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Pastor Ken Gardner for prayer requests. Call the church office (943-2774) or send an email: pastor@cosumc.com. This email goes directly to Pastor Ken. All prayer requests are confidential.

To make online tithes, gifts and offerings go to:
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Our Worship on May 15, 2016 Worship Leader: Robert Abrams Jr.

Welcome to our Guests! We may be new to you, but you are known and loved by God. If you are a seeker, then let us seek Christ together. If you belong to Jesus, then we belong together in His love and Joy! Praise God! We especially invite our guests to remain after Worship to enjoy some friendly conversation and refreshments in our Lobby.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Announcements – *Please sign and pass the red friendship books*. Opening Devotion and Prayer Singing Praises to Jesus Greeting Each Other and Welcoming Our Guests

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Romans 8:15-17

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Pastoral Prayer

Message by Pastor Ken Gardner: "Living A Confident Life in The Spirit."

POWER FOR MINISTRY

Offering Our Gifts to God

Closing Song

Prayer of Blessing on Everyone

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: It's a Baby Celebration for Ben & Tiffany Banner. They are having a boy in June, whose name is "Blaise." Please join us in celebrating this joyous event with a potluck after worship.

Pick up your "Baby Bottle Blessings" for Care Net Women's Resource Center. Care Net provides counseling and free medical services to women in the Antelope Valley. Sign up for your bottle, and fill it with change, dollars, or checks. Return it on Father's Day. Please return all bottles whether or not they are full.

MONDAY: Noon – 6:30 PM - American Red Cross Blood Drive

TUESDAY:

6:30 PM – Women's Bible Study

7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study

WEDNESDAY:

9:30 AM – Bible Study on Galatians

7:00 PM – Prayer Group

THURSDAY: 7:00-9:00 PM - Conversational Prayer Workshop

FRIDAY: 7:00-9:00 PM - Conversational Prayer Workshop

SATURDAY: 9:00 – 5:00 - Conversational Prayer Workshop

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 10-20th - General Conference – Portland, OR

May 19-21 – Prayer Workshop with Rev. Jeffrey Elmore

May 30th – Memorial Day

June 16-18th – Annual Conference, Redlands, CA

EXTRAS:

BIRTHDAYS: Frank Sheldon & Teena Sheldon – May 19th and Robert Roath – May 20th.

"Living A Confident Life In The Spirit" ASSURED BY THE SPIRIT

Romans 8:9-17 / May 15, 2016

"The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children," - Romans 8:16

1. IT'S REALLY TRUE ... Jesus Lives In You - verse 9

But I struggle with my sinful nature ...
"Yes, but my Spirit lives in you, and is working on you to be more and more like me, because you are my child."

"Do *you* not know that *your body* is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in *you*, whom *you* have received from God? *You* are not *your own*; *you* were bought at a price."

1st Corinthians 6:19-20a

2. <u>IT'S REALLY TRUE</u> ... You Are Awaked & Alive in Christ – verse 10

But I struggle with a world and body affected by sin ... "Yes, but there is more than this life & world – You are my child!"

"Abram believed the LORD,
and he <u>credited</u> it to him as righteousness."
Genesis 15:6
What does the Scripture say?
"Abraham believed God,
and it was <u>credited</u> to him as righteousness."
Romans 4:3

3. <u>IT'S REALLY TRUE</u> ... Jesus Gives Life To Your Mortal Bodies – *verse 11*

But I see death all around me and it scares me.

Yes, but my Spirit inside of you transcends this fallen world and will give you life in the midst of it, "Because you are my child."

"It's all a process – an exciting and wonderful process – but, lest we become discouraged, it is important that we remind ourselves that it really is a process that isn't complete until we are home."

Steve Brown – FOLLOW THE WIND: OUR LORD THE HOLY SPIRIT

4. <u>IT'S REALLY TRUE</u> ... You Have Victory in Christ – v.13

But I struggle with my mind and body to do what you want me to do.

Yes, but my Spirit in you is the sufficient strength to overcome that struggle –

"Because you are my child and I've claimed you."

But be <u>assured</u> today that <u>the LORD your God is the</u> <u>one</u> who goes across <u>ahead of you</u> like a devouring fire. <u>He will</u> destroy them; <u>he will</u> subdue them before you. <u>And you will</u> drive them out and annihilate them quickly, as the LORD has promised you. Deuteronomy 9:3

5. <u>IT'S REALLY TRUE</u> ... You Will Share In Christ's Glory – verse 17

But I still struggle with suffering in this life. Yes, but I have a glorious future planned for you because you are my child.

Don't let the turbulence of life <u>define</u> you. Your <u>dignity</u> does not come from the world around you, it comes from God's <u>decision</u> about you.