

CHURCH MEETINGS, EVENTS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 13th & 27th BRIDGES FOR LIFE PRAYER FOR CHURCH & MISSIONS** meet at the church at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 14th, 21st, & 28th - PICKLEBALL (16+)** 6-8 p.m. in our gym, join us for an evening of good fellowship, fun and great exercise.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 19th - WOMEN'S MINISTRY MEETING-** 9:30 a.m. - Continental Breakfast will be served - an Offering will be taken - Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 23rd - FOOD PANTRY** - 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the gym.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 25th HEALING CLASS** - 9:30 a.m. - Pastor Bill teaches this class, and they meet in the Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 26th - HOMELESS PITTSBURGH MISSIONS** - meet at church 8:30 a.m.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 26th - PRAYER CONFERENCE** - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon (lunch will be served at Noon). Donna Nesmith-Smith is the host - Warren and Maria Dennis will be the guest speakers. This will take place in the Fellowship Hall. A Free will Offering will be taken.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER 27th - BAPTISM MEETING** - For those who are wanting to be baptized, there will be a meeting right after service. It will be held in the Sanctuary.
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- ❖ **OCTOBER 3rd , 2026 - CONNECT ~ COLLEGE & CAREER GROUPS BON FIRE** - 6:00 p.m. Here at the Church. Hot dogs, s'mores, chili and drinks will be provided, please bring a side dish or dessert. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.
- ❖ **OCTOBER 4th , 2026 - WATER BAPTISM** - During the morning service. If you are interested in following the footsteps of Jesus and want to be Water Baptized, please sign the sheet in the Narthex.
- ❖ **OCTOBER 10th , 2026 - THE STULL'S WILL BE HERE FOR A CONCERT** - 6:00 p.m. Ken Stull is a Minister as well as a Christian Country Artist, he will Minister and then perform with his sister. A Love offering will be taken and all money will go to the Food Pantry.
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- ❖ **FREE SMOKE ALARMS FOR YOUR HOME:** Installation on Saturday, September 26, 2026 - You must call 724-480-3170 to schedule a free installation appointment.
- ❖ **BUSINESS FLYER:** We are putting together a flyer with names and businesses from our church! If you are interested in being on this flyer, please submit your name and what you do and place it in the offering bucket.

OUR TRUE IDENTITY

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

INTRO:

Ephesians is a powerful book with a powerful message. It reveals who we were before Christ, what God did for us in Christ, who we are in Christ, what we have in Christ, what we can do through Christ and what God expects of us as believers. It solves the identity problem.

BEFORE CHRIST:

- **EPH. 2:1** – Walking dead men: To God, holiness, truth, moral purity.
- **EPH. 2:2** – Satanically influenced: Living sinful lives as others.
- **EPH. 2:3** – Children of Wrath: Separated, subject to judgement.
- **EPH. 2:12** – No Messiah, no hope, no way back to God.

WHAT GOD DID FOR US IN CHRIST:

- **EPH 2:4-7** – Made us alive, raised us, seated us, readies us for the show.
- **EPH. 1:3-7** – Blessed, chose, adopted, accepted, redeemed, forgave us.

WHO WE ARE IN CHRIST:

- **EPH. 2:8-10 NLT** – His masterpiece. The statue of David was created by Michelangelo from one block of ruined marble. Considered a masterpiece, it established him as one of the greatest sculptors of all time. Jesus sculpted people ruined by Adam into: New creations, complete, holy, unblameable, unreprouvable, above reproach, children, heirs, joint heirs, righteous, washed, sanctified, justified, redeemed, ambassadors, blessed, saved, filled, healed, sealed. **EPH 1:13.**

WHAT WE HAVE IN CHRIST:

- **EPH. 1:7** – Redemption, forgiveness, peace, access to grace, the mind of Christ, all things, great and precious promises, authority, power, sound minds, internal glory, a high priest, mediator, advocate, intercessors, surety.

WHAT WE CAN DO:

- **EPH. 6:16** – Quench Satan's darts, overcome the world, temptation, we can do all things, and the works Jesus did.

WHAT GOD EXPECTS OF US:

- **EPH. 4:20-24 MSG** – Put off the old man and put on the new.
- **EPH. 4:25 – 5:2 NLT** – Imitate God who identifies us as His own.

CONCLUSION: AMOS 3:3

The statute of David is not called a flawed piece of marble that was sculpted. It is called a masterpiece. We all were flawed human beings. We've been sculpted into God's masterpiece. To call ourselves anything less is to insult the greatest sculptor of all time. To live effective lives, we must agree with God. We were flawed, now we are His masterpiece.