

**The Heart of the Matter**  
Mark 12:13-17

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**Apparent Issues:**

**Actual Issues:**

The \_\_\_\_\_ I set for another ends up \_\_\_\_\_ me.

The things I \_\_\_\_\_ are not as important as the things \_\_\_\_\_ about me.

The debate over to whom I \_\_\_\_\_ what often masks the larger matter of to whom I \_\_\_\_\_ all.

The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ is usually  
a \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.

For next week: Read Mark 12:18-27



# *Sunday Celebration!*

**November 5, 2017**

**9:00 & 10:30 am**

Prelude

Call to Worship

Worship Songs

*Agnus Dei*

*Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

*Lead Me to the Cross*

Prayer

Offertory

*Whiter Than Snow*

Message: Pastor Kitchen

Communion

Healing

Benediction

Postlude

“I am he who searches  
mind and heart.”

Revelation 2:23

## Welcome

We're glad you're here to worship with us today! A welcome packet is available for guests at the welcome center in the lobby. Be sure to stop by and pick one up!

Please remember food and beverages should not be brought into the sanctuary.

Please take a moment to  
silence all cell phones!

## SAF Website

Be sure to check out [www.stowalliance.org](http://www.stowalliance.org) for more information about upcoming events and many other resources designed to help keep you up to date with what is going on at SAF.

## Today

12:00 pm LIFE Groups  
5:30 pm Jr. High Small Groups  
6:00 pm LIFE Groups

## This Week

### MONDAY

7:00 pm Ordinary Guys Bible Study

### TUESDAY

7:00 pm JuBELLation  
7:00 pm Trustees Meeting

### WEDNESDAY

5:00 pm Iron Men Small Group  
6:00 pm Youth Café  
6:30 pm Kid's Choir  
7:00 pm Adult Prayer Meeting  
7:00 pm Worship Choir  
7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study  
7:00 pm Awana  
7:00 pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group

### THURSDAY

8:00 am Men's Bible Study  
9:30 am Ladies Bible Study

### FRIDAY

7:00 pm LIFE Groups

### SATURDAY

9:00 am Men's Basketball  
9:30 am Christmas Choir  
7:00 pm Co-Ed Volleyball

## Announcements



### Share the Harvest

The holiday season is almost here! Share the Harvest is a wonderful opportunity for you to help provide a holiday meal to those in our community without the means to purchase it. You can be part of this outreach in several different ways:

- By nominating a family to receive a Thanksgiving dinner. **Nomination forms can be obtained in the office and must be submitted TODAY!**
- Contribute financially. Monetary contributions will be used to purchase gift certificates redeemable for food. A special envelope is included in the worship folder. Fill in your name on the envelope to receive giving credit.
- Finally, we need lots of help delivering these items! Check **"Share the Harvest Delivery Team"** on the Communication Card if you can help in this way.

**Check Communication Card**



### Ladies Christmas Craft Night

All women are invited to join us for a night of fellowship and crafting at our annual Christmas Craft Night on Thursday, November 16th at 6:30pm. We'll begin the evening with homemade Christmas cookies and Christmas music. Samples of each craft are on display in the lobby. Registration and payment will be held **TODAY**, November 5th, and next Sunday, November 12th in the lobby after both services. This is a great outreach event and opportunity to invite your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers! Please contact Lori Black at 330-688-5200 with any questions.

### Youth Pastor Search

Please pray as we seek God's provision for our next Youth Pastor. If you have questions about the search process please see Pastor Kitchen.



### MOPS

MOPS is a group offering hope, encouragement, community, and mothering support to mothers of children from birth through 5 years old. Come join local moms from 9:30 - 11:30 am on Tuesday, November 14th. Childcare will be provided.

### Prime Timers

All senior adults are invited to join us for fun, fellowship, and faith-building on Thursday, November 16th at 12:30pm with Pastor Kitchen and Julie. Please bring a sandwich. Desserts and beverages will be provided.

### JH Fun Night

All JH Students are invited to a night of FUN, FOOD and GAMES (including tournaments) on Friday, November 17th from 6:00-10:00pm in the youth wing. Cost: \$6 per person. Please sign up in the Jr. High room.



### Holiday Tree Festival Performance

Jubellation, the SAF Worship Choir, and the SAF Kid's Choir will be performing at the John S. Knight Center on Saturday, November 18th from 1:00-2:00pm during the Holiday Tree Festival. All are welcome to come see them perform and enjoy the tree festival! This event is free!

### Child Dedication

A child dedication service will be held on Sunday, November 19th in both services. If you would like to dedicate your child(ren) to the Lord, please call the church office at (330)688-7433 by Monday, November 13th.



### Rake & Run

The youth group will be raking leaves once again as a fundraiser for LIFE 2019! If you or someone you know would like to have your yard raked, please sign up in the lobby by Sunday, November 12th! They will be raking leaves on Saturday, November 18th and will try to accomplish as many yards as possible. If there are adults that would like to participate in this service project alongside us, please contact Doug Crowe.

### Winter Coat Drive

Haven of Rest is in need of winter coats of all sizes. If you have any new or gently used coats that you would like to donate, please bring them to church and place them on the coat rack in the lobby designated "Haven of Rest Coat Drive." Coats will be collected through December 4th.

### Children's Ministry Needs YOU!

There are several positions that are needing to be filled! We are looking for a volunteer to help out on Sunday mornings in the nursery and in the Waddlers & Toddlers room. Please contact Darlene Risjan at: 330-688-7433 or drisjan@stowalliance.org if you are willing to help.

### PRAISE Plan

Thank you for supporting the Praise Plan! Your continued gifts will help us with future projects.

### Our Giving Last Sunday

Tithes & Offerings	\$8,312
Great Commission Fund	\$2,461
Praise Plan Building Fund	\$700

## Stow Alliance Fellowship Staff

**John Kitchen**, Senior Pastor

**Phil Chapman**, Assistant Pastor

**Don Miller**, Pastor of Discipleship Ministries

**Julie Kitchen**, Director of Worship Ministries

**Darlene Risjan**, Director of Children's Ministries

**Jeanne Crowe**, Preschool Administrator

**Karie Gilley**, Office Administrator

**Michelle Davis**, Financial Administrator

**Bill Azzarello**, Facilities Manager