

Embodied Jesus

Acts 2:42-47



Sunday Celebration!

May 16, 2021
10:30 am

Prelude

Call to Worship

Worship Songs

Great Things

Let the Nations Be Glad

Bring Life

**Children dismissed for Jr. Church*

Introduction

Message: Pastor Chris Laws

Closing Song

We Believe

Benediction

Postlude

“And they devoted themselves to the Apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.”

Acts 2:42

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Welcome!

We're glad you're here to worship with us today! If you're new to us, here are some things it will be helpful for you to know:

A Welcome Packet providing information about all that happens at SAF is available to you in the lobby at our Welcome Center. You can also find this information at our website: stowalliance.org.

If you've missed a recent sermon, or have one you'd like to hear again, audio and video recordings are available at our website: stowalliance.org/sermon-archive, or on the Stow Alliance Fellowship YouTube channel.

Due to our Covid safety precautions, we are not currently passing collection plates during our services. We encourage you to place your monetary donations in the collection boxes at the back of the sanctuary or the buckets in our remote rooms. You may also send in your donations by mail, or electronically through our website: stowalliance.org/online-giving.

Ways to Connect

Men's Bible Study: All men are invited to gather for Bible study, prayer and fellowship each Tuesday evening in the Seasons Room at 7:00 pm.

Ladies' Bible Study: The Thursday morning Ladies' Bible Study will start back up beginning June 3rd at 9:30 a.m. They will be doing a study on the book *When You've Been Wronged—8 lessons on moving from bitterness to forgiveness* by Erwin Lutzer. All women are welcome. If you would like to purchase a book or study guide, contact Nancy Cervone.

VBS Registration: VBS is less than a month away! Make sure to pre-register your children at stowalliance.org/ministries/children.

Wednesday Night Ladies' Study: The current Wednesday evening Ladies' Bible Study will conclude on May 26th, and will be taking a break for the summer months.

Our Giving Last Sunday:

Tithes & Offering: \$14,301 Great Commission: \$3,970 PRAISE Plan: \$285

Today

4:30 pm Youth Worship Team
5:30 pm Jr. High Small Groups
7:00 pm 412 (Young Adults)

This Week

Tuesday

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

6:30 pm Youth Open Gym
7:00 pm AWANA
7:00 pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth
7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study
7:00 pm Prayer Group (via zoom)

We ask that everyone please take a moment to silence your cell phone in order to minimize any distractions during the service.

Upcoming Events

Special Guest: We are excited to welcome Pastor Chris Laws and his family this morning as he candidates for the Senior Pastor position. Make sure you take the opportunity to greet them in the lobby after the service today.

How can you support VBS 2021? INVITE—Let those you know with school-aged children that they can register at stowalliance.org/ministries/children. VOLUNTEER—We are still in need of people to help with registration, snacks, and preschool. You can find the volunteer form at the web address mentioned above. DONATE—Take a sticky note or two from the board in the lobby (or call Ms. Darlene) to donate snack items, and return them to the church by June 6th.

Graduate Recognition: As the school year comes to a close, we will take time during the service on May 30th to recognize our graduates. If you know of a student who graduates from high school or college that would like to be recognized, please provide their information to either Pastor Chris Milette or the church office today.

Opportunities for Service

Going on vacation? With the school year coming to a close, many are planning trips away for summer vacation. You are encouraged to take advantage of our on-line giving while you're away. You can schedule either a one-time or an ongoing gift that will make your donation automatic! You can access online giving at stowalliance.org/online-giving.

Remember Nhu Sponsorship: If you are interested in sponsoring a child as a Parent, Grandparent, or Sibling (\$60, \$40, or \$20 per month respectively), please contact Kim Williams at 330-650-0978.

Paper Recycling: You are encouraged to use the recycling bin at SAF, located near the gym doors, to recycle all your paper and cardboard. Please make sure cardboard boxes are flattened. Proceeds from the recycling program benefit Stow Alliance Preschool.

Haven of Rest: SAF supports this ministry to the homeless in Akron through donations of food items, clothing and personal hygiene items. You can choose items from the monthly list found on the table in the church lobby near the handicapped entrance, and leave your donations in the bins found under the table.

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