

WCC Board and Committee Monthly Devotional February, 2017

Theme for the Month:

- ❖ To boldly challenge our own complacency through transformational worship

Scripture Passage:

- ❖ I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. *Romans 12:1-2 ESV*
- ❖ ¹⁻² With eyes wide open to the mercies of God, I beg you, my brothers, as an act of intelligent worship, to give him your bodies, as a living sacrifice, consecrated to him and acceptable by him. Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold, but let God re-make your minds from within, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good, meets all his demands and moves towards the goal of true maturity. *Romans 12:1-2 PHILLIPS*
- ❖ ⁸ He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6:8 NRSV*

Scriptural Context:

- ❖ This verse speaks true to our church in many ways, mainly by its willingness to challenge our views on life and society, and our diverse types of sermons and worship opportunities. We tend to be very limited in our views of the world these days, both on what we think is right, and what we think people should be doing. Our church tends to go away from these notions quite often, giving us many different viewpoints and perspectives on our world, and challenging us to think differently.
- ❖ This goes along the same lines of what God believes in my opinion, because He often tends to challenge us to not have a limited view of our world, and make sure to take into account those who are very different from us, and see the world differently than we do.
- ❖ This is one reason why I love our church so much, because we have many worship experiences such as Sunday Communion, Celebrations, Parables, Traditions, WOW, and Meridian Manor that tend to have a different atmosphere than each other. Overall, I love our church because it is very accepting of people, and people can share their opinions and questions without judgement in our courageous conversations. It is a truly remarkable thing about Wayzata Community Church

Discussion Questions:

- ❖ As a member of a WCC board or committee will you share how Romans 1-2 speaks to you regarding our transformational worship experiences at WCC?
- ❖ What should our Board or Committee do to help us not grow complacent?

Meeting Prayer:

- ❖ Faithful and loving God, we thank you for providing a variety of worship opportunities at Wayzata Community Church where we can hear you speak and be transformed. Let us not grow complacent nor let the world squeeze us into its mold but continue to renew our minds from within so we may live into your will for our lives. Help us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our almighty God. In Jesus name, Amen