

Let's change, and as we focus on those who don't know Jesus yet, let's seek to open a few doors for them; where it benefits those who are seeking according to their needs and we'll pay the bill.

I guess one thing doesn't change; Jesus' desire to love. Jesus' desire for that love to flow abundantly through you. The only thing that might change is the how.

One thing that doesn't change is Jesus love of you. In Jesus you are Father's loved child

in whom he delights. That's your identity; grow in it this year. Mature as you daily make the time to talk and listen to Jesus; invite him to daily send the Spirit to lead you. Grab that first thought and go for it. I think that's living by faith, and that's most definitely something Jesus is passionate about you growing in.

This year grow in the basics because you're using them every minute of everyday; talking and listening to Jesus, feasting on Jesus daily, daily getting

together supporting each other, daily giving Jesus time in your life, in your week, as you daily invite him to grow you in knowing him for who he is; that you know the Father for who he is, and amazingly in the process you'll grow in discovering yourself; the real authentic you who Jesus has birthed – a living, breathing image of Father.

I pray you ask Jesus where he wants you to grow, and you go for it like there's no tomorrow.

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GROWING = CHANGE
New Year



How many people here today are the same they were at the start of the year? None of us are. Some may have changed more than others, but all of us have changed. If nothing else you're a year older, and hopefully wiser.

Did you notice that we heard both Samuel and Jesus, changed, they grew, they gained wisdom and maturity.

We heard read; "the boy Samuel grew taller and grew in favour with the Lord and with the people." (1 Sam. 2:26) We heard similar words for Jesus; "Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature and in favour with God and all the people." (Luke 2:52)

I think if you're hoping for things to stay the same and for nothing to change, you're out of luck. Last year there was change. Guess what will happen this coming year; change!

I think Jesus is keen for each of us to be growing to greater maturity in him, growing in our relationship with him. Growing in hearing his voice in our lives. Growing in the way we express his love in our lives.

As you grow, does that mean what you were before was bad? Where you less of a person at the start of the year, than you are now?

At times I think people are scared of change because they feel as though they were wrong. I've had

that very thought expressed to me regarding worship. I was asked; because we were doing things differently, because we were changing; did that mean we were wrong in the past.

Who thinks because you change it means you were wrong?

I know there are some habits I have changed because they were wrong. So I'm always glad that in Jesus I can change. I'm not locked into my mistakes or bad habits. Thank God, in Jesus, he gives me the security to admit I'm wrong; and then change.

But change doesn't necessarily mean you were wrong; it might mean you are growing.

Christ Church Lutheran

Worship Times - 9.00am & 10.45am
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Jesus' disciples multiplying disciples

<p>Will a two year old child change? If a child didn't change, then there would be concerns. We seek to guide a child as they change, so that they might become all that we hope for, so that they may mature and develop their talents. We seek change, when it comes to children.</p>	<p>dying. I guess both are change; what change are you praying for. Change is inevitable; either for good or bad.</p>	<p>wonderful intimate, conversational relationship of love and affection that Jesus birthed you into.</p>	<p>of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honour at God's right hand in the heavenly realms." (Eph. 1:18,19)</p>	<p>Living out that relationship, growing in that relationship. Of course we are now that house. In Jesus we get to live with Father, 24/7. We are his house, his place of prayer. What a change that was.</p>	<p>about his joys and aspirations. Father loves hear his children bear their heart to him, inviting him in, so that he can be part of their very real lives.</p>
<p>How did you change last year? What changes do you seek for this coming year?</p>	<p>How did you change last year?</p>		<p>I love the story of Samuel, where he changed from not recognising God's voice to knowing the Lord's voice. What a wonderful step of growth. I pray that Jesus sends the Spirit to each of us, so that we grow in recognising his voice; so that we might follow him where ever he leads.</p>	<p>I pray you grow to be more and more like the young Jesus.</p>	<p>What an amazing change Jesus created? Even Gentiles get in on the act. What change?</p>
<p>As a church community, I'm looking for change, heaps and heaps of change. I'm looking to understand the people in our lives and speak God's word in ways they understand, so that they can grow and mature in their relationship with Jesus.</p>	<p>grow in making time to talk with Jesus about life; and to talk to Jesus about himself, so you get to know him more and more intimately.</p>	<p>Please don't stay the same; don't waste your life, seek to grow. Seek to grow in wisdom. Seek to grow in love and compassion. Seek to be maturing and developing as the person Jesus has given his life for you to be. Don't waste Jesus' life; he's given his life that you might know Father more intimately. Jesus has given his life that you might love as you are loved by him.</p>	<p>I pray you grow to be more and more like the young Jesus who was passionate about his relationship with Father. His answer to his parents sounds like it was quit obvious where they'd find him. Where else would he be than in his Father's house.</p>	<p>and rebuild with flesh and blood, with a warm, responsive heart to Father. What a change; Father's house now is a living breathing place of prayer.</p>	<p>This year don't just talk about change; do it. Talk with Jesus, grab the first thought that comes into your head and do it. Why wouldn't it be Jesus? You just asked him!</p>
<p>Are you hoping for change or for this church community to stagnate? Sadly if I'm not growing, I'm</p>	<p>If you were to stagnate in a relationship, what might be the outcome? I pray that nobody stagnates in their relationship with Jesus this coming year, but that you grow and mature, living out, daily, that</p>	<p>I join with Paul in praying; "that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called – his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness</p>	<p>That simply means you have the opportunity to talk with Father, through Jesus about everything. Father loves spending time talking with his children; about life, about their joys and aspiration, listening to him and hear</p>	<p>This year let's seek to change in ways that make Jesus more personal, more accessible, more intimate in people's lives. I know that is a change that is on Jesus' agenda for this coming year. He's always keen to get to know more and more people, letting them know him personally.</p>	