Prayer and Fasting for Unity in the Body

May, 2024

This month, pray for God to help us be eager to maintain unity in the Spirit (Eph. 4:3), forgive each other as God forgave us (Eph. 4:32), walk in love as Christ loved us (Eph. 5:2), and submit to one another out of reverence for Christ (Eph. 5:21).

"So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift." (Matthew 5:23-24)

"For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

(Matthew 6:14-15)

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me." (John 17:20-21)

"Live in harmony with one another." (Romans 12:16)

"Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." (Ephesians 4:31-32)

Questions for Reflection

- Is there anyone I have offended but have not asked forgiveness?
- Do I harbor anger and unforgiveness toward anyone?
- Is there anyone in my family I have offended, yet failed to ask forgiveness?
- Is there anyone in this church or another that I have offended or are disunified with?
- Have I spoken negatively about anyone behind their back?
- Am I involved in any form of gossip or negative, critical speech?
- Have I posted anything on Social Media that is negative or rude toward another person?

Corporate Prayer

- Pray for God to bless Southview with a spirit of love and forgiveness.
- Pray for broken relationships at Southview to be restored.
- Pray that God will empower us at Southview to guard unity in our church.
- Pray that the families of Southview would practice love, grace, and forgiveness in their homes.
- Pray that the unity of Southview will draw many to faith in Christ.