



Sermon Questions

November 30th, 2025 | Scripture: Genesis 2:4-17; 3:8-13 – Face to Face in The Garden

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Write down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

Reflect on these Scriptures which highlight the movement from hopelessness to hope:

- Genesis 2:4-17, 3:8-13
- Genesis 28:10-17
- 1 Kings 6:11-38
- Isaiah 51:1-3; Ezekiel 36:33-36
- Matthew 26:36-46; John 19:38-42
- Revelation 22:1-5

Pray: 1 John 1:9 assures us that “if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Take time to let that gospel truth sink in. Then ask the Lord to reveal places in your life where he would draw you out of hiding and into confession to Him and one another. As you see fit, journal through this in conversation with the Lord and make one practical next step towards moving closer to God and others in confession and repentance.

Serve: **Churchwide Service Day** is this Saturday, Dec. 6 from 8:30am–1pm in the Grand Foyer! Each year, our congregation commits a Saturday morning to serve members of our community across Northern Virginia and the DC area. Meet in the Grand Foyer for food, some worship, and then we'll spread out across the community. All are encouraged to join! Please sign up to be assigned a group. >> Get details at mcleanpres.org/serviceday

Look Ahead: Next week we will continue in our Advent series – Face to Face. The scripture passage will be Exodus 33:17-23 where we will look at the Lord's relationship with Moses.

Core Questions

1. Genesis 2:7 shows us that God personally formed the man and breathed life into him. What does this reveal about the intimacy God intends to have with his people?
2. Which of these four themes—relationship, beauty, purpose, or limits—stands out to you most in this passage, and why?
3. Genesis 3 begins a stark contrast in the creation narrative. What emotions and behaviors do Adam and Eve exhibit after sin, and what do those reveal about how their relationship with God has changed?

Inward Grace in Action

1. In what ways do you notice how people, including yourself, tend to hide from God (self-reliance, overthinking, activism, distraction, etc.)? Which of these resonates most with you?
2. How does God's gracious “Where are you?” invite us out of our own hiding and into confession? How does this anticipate his coming in Christ?

Outward Grace in Action

1. Why is it so hard to confess our sin to God and as appropriate to one another?
2. What specific practices, rhythms, or relational habits could help your group become a community that gently draws one another out of hiding and into the light of confession and connection?

For Families: Ideas of how to keep the conversation going at home, in the car, or around the dinner table:

1. A - Ask about the message: Ask children to think about some of their favorite things God has created in nature. Then begin a discussion about what those things can teach us about God's power, goodness, creativity, and abundance.
2. S – Share your thoughts: Share about an experience when you felt God's presence especially close through his creation. Explain that the beauty of creation reminds us of the God who made it and wants to live with his people.
3. K – Keep it going: Go for a short walk as a family. Name what you feel, see, smell, hear, and touch, and then thank the Lord for all that he has created this week.