



Accent on Music

Covenant E.P.C. of Lake Jackson
October 15, 2023
Pentecost 20 - Red

Music to Rehearse

Hymns

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	558
The Gift of Love	593

Response/Doxology

My Jesus, I Love Thee (Vs. 1)	101
Praise God	809

Anthem – Chancel Chimes

Other Music

<i>Trust In Jesus</i>	10/22
<i>Be Strong In The Lord</i>	10/29
<i>Heart In Praise</i>	11/05
<i>Hold On To Hope</i>	11/12
Chancel Chimes	11/19
<i>I Want To Be More Like You</i>	11/26
<i>We Are One In The Lord</i>	12/03
<i>Sing We All Noel</i>	12/10
Chancel Chimes	12/17
<i>Come Emmanuel Come (DAY SERVICE)</i>	12/24
<i>Let There Be Christmas (NIGHT SERVICE)</i>	12/24
<i>Instrumental Music (Not Chimes)</i>	12/31

Scripture & Message

Message: Gospel-Shaped Mercy: Let Us Love

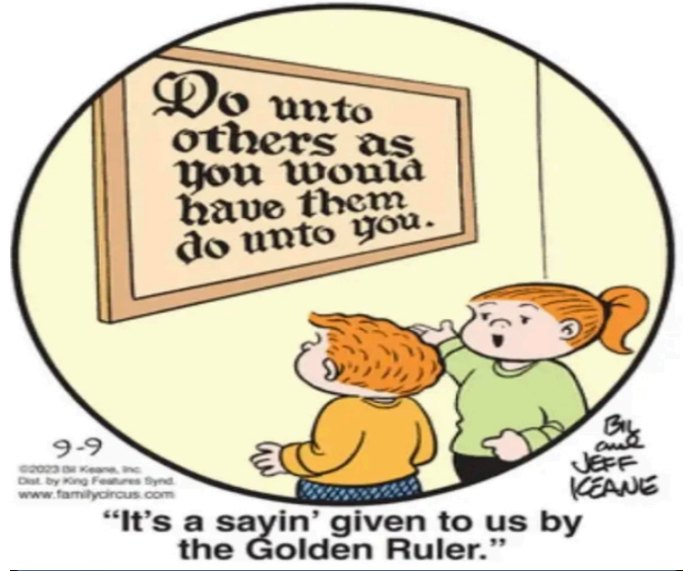
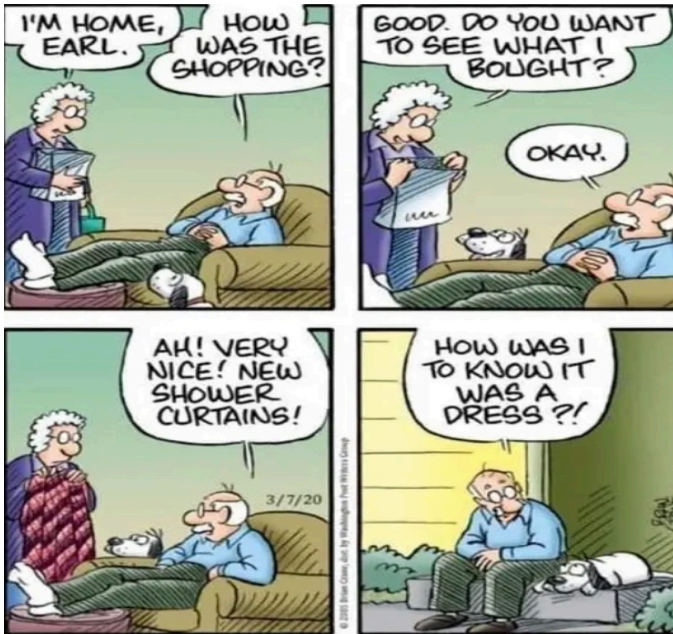
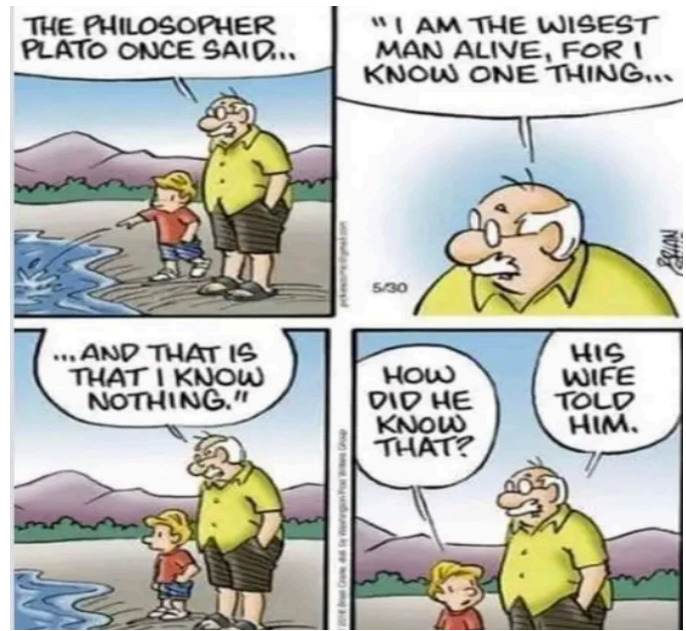
Scripture: I John 4:7-21

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.¹² No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.¹³ We know that we live in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit.¹⁴ And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.¹⁵ If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God.¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him?¹⁷ In this way, love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the Day of Judgment, because in this world we are like him.¹⁸ There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.¹⁹ We love because he first loved us.²⁰ If anyone says, "I love God," yet hates his brother, he is a liar. For anyone who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen.²¹ And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.

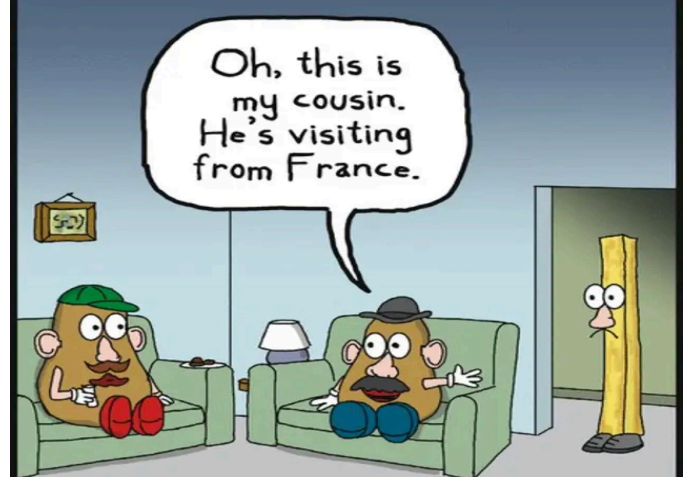
Smile

A new pastor was visiting in the homes of his parishioners. At one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. Therefore, he took out a business card and wrote 'Revelation 3:20' on the back of it and stuck it in the door.

When the offering was processed at the next worship service, he found that his card had been returned. Added to it was this cryptic message, 'Genesis 3:10' Reaching for his Bible to check out the citation, he broke up in gales of laughter. Revelation 3:20 begins 'Behold, I stand at the door and knock.' Genesis 3:10 reads, 'I heard your voice in the garden and I was afraid for I was naked.'



Banks should do a better job of keeping their ATMs filled. This is the fifth one I've been to that says Insufficient Funds.



WHY DID THE LION EAT THE TIGHT-ROPE WALKER? HE WANTED A WELL-BALANCED MEAL.