

2023 MOHW Session Descriptions

7. Weak is Strong (Anxiety, Guilt, Etc.) by Dan Schmidt

Our culture has thoroughly convinced us that men can't be weak and if they are they'd better shut up about it. In this session, we're going to take off the gag and speak openly about how all men (past and present) deal with anxiety, guilt and stress and explore God-honoring ways of converting our weaknesses into strengths.

About Dan Schmidt: Dan currently serves as Pastor at Faith Church in Excelsior, MN. He's been married for 14 years and has 4 biological children and 2 foster children. He's experienced 2 bonified panic attacks and he personally knows the weight of anxiety, guilt and stress. He also knows that only the Spirit of Jesus Christ can offer true peace, forgiveness and joy. And he's willing to talk openly about both.

8. What are Young People Looking for from Mc i ? by Jon Enter

(A Youth Panel Discussion)

Young people are leaving the church in growing numbers. They are influenced by liberal ideology in college, by social mores that run contrary to God's commands and by acquaintances that ridicule Christian values. Additionally, they are dealing with personal conflicts and struggles with depression, relationships, addictions, and life-changes. What are they dealing with? How can we help? What are they looking for from the church? Does the message of Christ's love hit home with the current service format and program offerings? Lots of questions to address ... who better to give us some insight but the same young people we're trying keep in the church!

About Jon Enter: Jon Enter grew up in rural Minnesota and always wanted to be a doctor since he was a little child. While on a youth rally in Colorado, the Lord changed his pathway leading him to work on healing people, instead, using God's grace. Since 2004 he has focused on youth ministries to grow his mission church in West Palm Beach, Florida, which is now self-supporting, and added a second full-time pastor. He returned to Minnesota five years ago. He moved from the pulpit to the classroom and teaches senior religion class at Saint Croix Lutheran Academy. He is married to Debbi and is drowning in pink and glitter with their four daughters: Violet, Lydia, Eden and Maggie. He also serves Jesus as a speaker on Time of Grace's video daily devotions.