Antigo Community Church – April 21, 2024

Title: The Age of Rejoicing

Text: John 16:16-33

John 14:1-3

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father’s house are many dwelling places (rooms); if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”

John 14:6

“I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

He will guide you into all truth.

He will testify about Jesus and so will we.

He will not leave us.

He is Jesus’ presence in us.

John 14:20

“On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.”

We have life.

He will produce fruit, much fruit in us.

We receive what we ask in Jesus’ name.

We bask in God’s love and love each other

We receive Jesus’ joy.

We are called friends.

John 15:20

“…No servant is greater than is master. If they persecuted me, they will persecute you.”

Scripture Reading

John 16:16-33 (NIV)

John 7:33-34

“…I am with you for only a short time, and then I go the one who sent me. You will look for me, but you will not find me; and where I am, you cannot come.”

John 16:22

“So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice and no one will take away your joy.”

John 15:11

“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.”

Because Jesus is raised from the dead – we live in the age of rejoicing!

Death is defeated

Justice will be served

All wrongs will be made right

Life has meaning and purpose

Eternity is secure

Jesus said,

“In this world you will have trouble, but take heart, I have overcome the world.”

“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace.”