

• **The Church's Focus:**

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*(Jesus) "Healthy people don't need a doctor - sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent."  
- Luke 5:30-32*

*(Jesus) "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."  
- Matthew 28:18-20*

*\*Join us next Sunday, January 16 as we continue our teaching series I LOVE MY CHURCH with My Church is a Place to Make a Difference.*

**MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...**

- Memorize Matthew 16:18.
- I will take the "I Love My Church" Prayer Challenge and pray for my church every day for the next four weeks.
- I would like to attend the February Seymour Lake Church Discovery Class. The best day of the week for me is: Sunday afternoon Thursday Evening Saturday Morning

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# I MY CHURCH

**The Seymour Lake Church**  
Pastor Todd Jones  
January 9, 2022

Key Verse:

(Jesus) "I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it."  
- Matthew 16:18

• **I Love My Church Principle:**

The Church is \_\_\_\_\_

WHO IS THE CHURCH?

## WHY IS THE CHURCH THE HOPE OF THE WORLD?

- **The Church's Founder:**

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*"<sup>13</sup>Jesus...asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' <sup>14</sup>Well,' they replied, 'some say John the Baptist, some say Elijah, and others say Jeremiah or one of the other prophets.' <sup>15</sup>Then he asked them, 'But who do you say I am?' <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' <sup>17</sup>Jesus replied, 'You are blessed, Simon son of John, because my Father in heaven has revealed this to you. You did not learn this from any human being. <sup>18</sup>Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.'"*  
- Matthew 16:13-18

- **The Church's Foundation:**

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### *The Apostles' Creed (circa 2nd Century)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord...

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*"All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer."*  
- Acts 2:42

- **The Church's Fellowship:**

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*"So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family."*  
- Ephesians 2:19

*"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."*  
- Romans 10:9