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THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

The Best Camouflage of All



And God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea... (Genesis 1:28b)

If you held a salpa maggiore in one hand and looked at it closely, what you would see is ... your hand! That's because this strange marine invertebrate is transparent! Put it back in the water, and it would almost completely disappear. A fisherman who found one floating near the top of the water said, "It felt scaly and was quite firm, almost jelly like, and you couldn't see anything inside aside from this orange little blob inside it."

Paul Cox, director of conservation and communication at the National Marine Aquarium, said: "The salp is barrel-shaped and moves by contracting, pumping water through its gelatinous body. It strains the water through its internal feeding filters, feeding on phytoplankton from the upper sunlit layer of the ocean. They have an interesting life-cycle with alternate generations existing as solitary individuals or groups forming long chains."

Getting back to its transparency, Cox observed, "In common with other defenseless animals that occupy open water ... the translucence presumably provides some protection from predation. Being see-through is a pretty good camouflage in water." Indeed it is. And the salpa maggiore couldn't have acquired such camouflage through mutations no matter how many billions of years you allow for evolution to take place. In the hands of an all-powerful Creator, however, such remarkable camouflage is no problem at all. In fact, God specializes in creating animals and plants that shut the mouths of evolutionists and open the mouths of His followers with words of praise!

Ref: Leon Watson, "Now that's a jelly fish! Stunned fisherman catches wobbly shrimp-like creature that's completely see-through," DailyMail.com, 1/21/14. Photo: Salpa maggiore. © Caters News Agency (Fair Use)

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This Week at Memorial

Sunday, November 12, 2023

8:45am - Discipleship Classes

10:00am - Worship

Pastor Pat's Last Day. Join us in saying goodbye in the FLC following worship. Cake will be served.

A Look Ahead

11/20 - 25 - FLC Closed

11/22 - No Service

12/3 - Breakfast

12/3 - 10 - Lottie Moon Week of Prayer

12/8 - Youth Dinner Concert

12/10 - Christmas Program & Luncheon

12/20 - Youth Christmas Party

12/29 - Youth Lock in

The FLC will closed November 20 - 25 so the floor can be re-stripped. There will be no church activities that week.

November 12, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Cindy S.

10:00am Svc. - Julie C. - Thomas S.

Wed. - November 15 - Linda W.

Junior Church

NO JUNIOR CHURCH TODAY

Kids Connection - Wed.

Amy J. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Kevin M.

10:00am - Jesse W., Jim S., Lester O.

Wed. - November 15 - Ed S.

November 19, 2023

Joy Junction

8:45am - Ben & Kim S.

10:00am Svc. - Julie & Ryan S.

Wed. - November 22 - NO SERVICE

Junior Church

Chris S. - Thomas S.

Kids Connection - Wed.

Amy J. - Ryan G.

Usher Ministry

8:45 - Sunday School - Steve G.

10:00am - Curtiss C., Gary S., Jim H.

Wed. - November 22 - NO SERVICE

Nominating Committee Survey

We are still accepting Nominating Committee Survey forms. If you haven't had an opportunity to complete one, they are at the Welcome Center and can be returned to the church office.

Preschool Teacher Position

The Light Academy Preschool has an opening for a teacher on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30am - 5:30pm. Pay is \$12.50 per hour and you must be a member of a Baptist church. Substitute teachers are also needed. The preschool follows the New Haven School term and closes in the summer. Free tuition for one child 2 yrs old through pre-K.

Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Operation Christmas Child

Help us reach our goal of 100 shoe boxes. Boxes are on the table outside the sanctuary. Julie Conner is the contact person and can be reached at 573-418-7068. The last day to bring boxes is Sunday, November 19. Boxes will be collected and delivered after the worship service.

Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

The International Missions week of prayer is December 3 - 10. Please help support our international missionaries with prayer and a generous offering for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Youth Dinner Concert

Please support our youth by attending the Youth Dinner Concert at 6pm on December 8 in the FLC. An Italian dinner will be served and a night of worship. All proceeds go to Students' Youth Camp 2024.

Tickets are \$5 each and can be obtained from the church office.