

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

April 24, 2016

WELCOME: Brian Drewry
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Rick Camp
LORD'S TABLE: Kevin Barley
Shannon Whitley
ASSIST: Jackie Horton
Nathan Woody
Ricky Shannon
Don Barnett
CLOSING PRAYER: Merrell Story
GREETERS: Jim & Martha Bell
Michael & Cassi Gilbow
CARDS: Preston Riel
Ryeland Lovell
VISITOR GIFT/ Stephanie Barkley
HOSTESSES: Anne Janski
SCRIPTURE READER: Wyatt Brewer
John 4:41-42

SUNDAY EVENING

April 24, 2016

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Tyler Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Gene Blair
Greg Bradford
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent

WEDNESDAY EVENING

April 27, 2016

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff
OPENING PRAYER: Ron McInturff
DEVOTIONAL: Darren Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Wyatt Brewer

****Please contact Mike Wolff
if you are unable to serve.***

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Darren Dent 501-581-3052

Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
(benevolence, pantry, greeters) (finance & technology)
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(education & teachers) (building & grounds)
Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999
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SAVED LIKE THE THIEF? (3)

While hanging on the cross, Jesus responded to the request of one of the thieves, saying, "Today you will be with Me in Paradise" (Lk. 23:43). How does this conversation apply to those of us living this side of the cross? In answering this question, it is important to make appropriate application of the Scriptures to our lives. While we learn much from this example about the love and forgiveness of our Lord, we must keep in mind that Jesus had the power on earth to forgive sins in whatever manner He wished. However, it would be a serious mistake to ignore what Jesus taught about salvation for those living this side of the cross. Another important principle to keep in mind is that the New Testament is the "Last Will and Testament of Jesus Christ." As such, it did not take effect until after His death.

Paul reminded Timothy of the manner in which we must approach Scripture, saying, "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15). Part of handling God's word accurately is learning when the New Testament came into effect. It did not come into effect until after the death of Jesus. Can this be proven?

Take a look at Hebrews 9:15-17, where we read: "And for this reason He is the mediator of a new covenant, in order that since a death has taken place for the redemption of the transgressions that were committed under the first covenant, those who have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance. For where a covenant is, there must of necessity be the death of the one who made it. For a covenant is valid only when men are dead, for it is never in force while the one who made it lives." Therefore, it was necessary for Jesus to die before His covenant could come into effect. How much clearer could God have made it? What happened to the thief on the cross has no bearing whatsoever on how men and women are saved today under the New Testament of Jesus Christ.

While living, the testator may change his will as many times as he chooses. But, at his death, his will goes into effect just as it is written. When did the New Testament go into effect? It was after the death of Jesus. Those who claim to follow Jesus as their high priest must also acknowledge that there has been a change of law. Hebrews 7:12 says that "when the priesthood is changed, of necessity there takes place a change of law also." Why? Because Jesus was of the tribe of Judah, "a tribe with reference to which Moses spoke nothing concerning priests" (vs. 14). It is precisely because of His death on the cross that we are able to say that Jesus "is...the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises" (Heb. 8:6). Indeed, the Law of Moses was "nailed to the cross" (Col. 2:14) and His covenant thereafter came into effect. It is the law now in force—the standard by which we will be judged on the last day (Jn. 12:48).

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

Care group 1 (Yeager) -

*Saturday, May 21st at 6pm
in the home of Dave & Janet Rhyne*

Care group 2 (Dent) -

*Sunday, April 24th - after morning
services in the fellowship room*

Care group 3 (McInturff) -

*Sunday, April 24th - after morning
services in the fellowship room*

Care group 4 (Wolff) -

*Saturday, May 14th at 5pm
in the home of Tom & Stephanie Barkley*

Care group 6 (Gilbow) -

*Sunday, April 24th after morning services
in the home of Brian & Jeanuth Wright*

PANTRY ITEMS FOR APRIL:

corn muffin mix & tomato soup

OUR RECORD

APRIL 17, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	157
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	210
SUNDAY PM:	104
WEDNESDAY (20th):	138
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,608
YTD average:	\$5,865
YTD ahead/behind:	\$7,441

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Edie Singleton has a spot on her cornea and is having tests done.

*Please pray for the McNew family, relatives of Dorothy Tatum. Seth's wife was killed in a car wreck in Morrilton Wednesday morning.

*Pray for Clint & Dena Polk & their family. Their son Colten died in an auto accident last Monday.































*Steve Lucas, former member here and Tim Dixon's brother-in-law, has been diagnosed with melanoma.

*Kevin Barley's dad, Paul, as he recovers from colon surgery.

*Pray for A.J. Stracener, uncle to Linda Black & Jan Biggs. He has stage 4 cancer.

*Jarrod, Dena, and Nick DeValle will be adopting a baby girl due in May and ask for prayers for health and smooth proceedings.

*Continue to keep James Burkett; Jim Bell; Ivana Selby; Robin Linn's dad, Michael; Kevin Barley's brother; Rod Wilson; and Brian Wright's grandfather, Freddy Richardson in your prayers.

									
BIRTHDAYS									
	Tim Blake				4/24				
	Talisa Swindle				4/26				
	Rod Wilson				4/29				
	Jeanuth Wright				4/29				
	Mason Wright				4/30				
ANNIVERSARYS									
									

*We are all invited to a
WEDDING SHOWER*

for

*Travis Moody & Courtney Kendall
April 24th at 3:30 pm
in the fellowship room
This will be a money tree
or gift card shower*



COOKS ARE NEEDED

*for the men's breakfasts -
See the signup sheet on the
bulletin board in the hallway*

Directory pictures

will be taken during the month of
APRIL! Please see Dorothy
Yeager or Donna Allensworth about a time
OR they will be available 10 minutes
before & after services on Sundays.



MONTHLY YOUTH DEVO

*in the home of the Brewer's
Sunday evening after services
Boys bring drinks, girls bring desserts*

VISITOR BAGS

for May 1st

Donna Allensworth & Dorothy Tatum



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, May 15th we will
be honoring our graduating
seniors. A meal will be
served so please sign
up if you are planning on
attending. Sign up
sheet is on the bulletin
board in the foyer.



This years seniors are:

Charli Short Wyatt Brewer
Cassidy Barley Clayton Dent
KaLynn Peterson Hunter Smart

A LADIES GETAWAY

is scheduled for April 29th & 30th at the
Wingate Inn in Little Rock. If you plan on
going, sign up ASAP - sign up sheet
is on the ladies table.

FOOD COMMITTEE

for April

Please contact

Anne Steele & Beverly Woody
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