PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

August 2, 2015

WELCOME: Mike Wolff
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Phillip Short

Brian Drewry

ASSIST: Nathan Woody

Kevin Blair Merrell Story

Shannon Whitley

CLOSING PRAYER: Pete Hines

CARDS:

GREETERS: Tim & Dona Dixon

Del & Love Hines

Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8

Austin Gilbow

Jonathan Rawls

VISITOR GIFT/ Edie Singleton
HOSTESSES: Dorothy Tatum

SCRIPTURE READER: Clayton Dent
Proverb 4:13-15

SUNDAY EVENING

August 2, 2015

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Ratis Yeager
LORD'S TABLE: Will Drewry

Clayton Dent

CLOSING PRAYER: Cayden Leonard

WEDNESDAY EVENING

August 5, 2015

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Del HInes
DEVOTIONAL: Michael Gilbow
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Barley

*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 Cole815-622-1874Del Hines501-733-4645(benevolence, pantry, greeters)(finance & technology)Jarrod DeValle501-450-8719Mike Wolff501-472-8912(education & teachers)(building & grounds)

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909

(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Minister:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999 Church Office: 501-679-3647

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WHEN YOU ARE TEMPTED...

"No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it" (1 Corinthians 10:13).

In this familiar passage, there are several important truths that provide comfort to the temptation-weary soul:

- 1. Temptation, itself, is not sinful. Jesus was tempted in the wilderness (Mt. 4:1-11). The author of the book of Hebrews adds that He was "tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin" (Hb. 4:16). There is no reason to go on a guilt trip merely because we are tempted. Temptation is not sin. Temptation may knock at the door, but we do not have to invite it in. The connection between temptation and sin is described by James who writes, "each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death" (Jas. 1:14-15). The devil does not make anyone sin. We choose sin.
- 2. We are not alone in our temptation. Paul says that temptation is "common to man." One doesn't have to look very far to find someone else who has endured similar temptation. And, as already mentioned, Jesus has been tempted "in all things as we are." Somehow, it helps to know that we have not been singled out and tempted in a way peculiar only to us. Quite the opposite is true. Satan has only three avenues through which he makes temptation available to man: "the lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh, and the boastful pride of life" (1 Jn. 2:16). With these we are well able to overcome through the strength which God supplies.
- 3. God is faithful to provide help to His people in times of temptation. God knows what we are able to withstand and He will not allow a temptation to strike us that we are unable to resist with His help. We fall into sin, not because we are unable to resist temptation, but because we are short-sighted and fail to see God's way of escape. Other times, seeing His way of escape, we ignore it altogether and choose the path of sin. We must trust that God, in His providence, will do as He has promised and provide the way of escape in times of temptation. Then, we must have enough love for God to look for His way of escape and take it once we have found it.

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CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

Care group 1 (Elliott)

August 22nd

in the fellowship room at 5pm

Care group 5 (Hayes)

August 23rd

in the fellowship room after evening services (signup sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway)

We rejoice with Caroline Drewry in her decision to be baptized into Christ July 26th while she and her family were in Gulfport, MS. Let's encourage Caroline in her walk with God.

OUR RECORD JULY 26, 2015

SUNDAY CLASS: 159

202 SUNDAY WORSHIP:

176 SUNDAY PM:

188 WEDNESDAY (29th):

\$5,400 BUDGET:

OFFERING: \$4.829

\$5,521 YTD average:

YTD ahead/behind: \$3,639



PRAYER REQUESTS

*Continue to keep Bailey Watson in your prayers after hip surgery.

*Keep Steve Harrel in your prayers.

*Please keep the Susan Ward; the Baker's grandson, Brian; Joyce Hines; Barnett's daughter-in-law, Elizabeth: Patsy Burkett: Angie Gordey: Janet Banks: Jason Elliott; Nita Rowell's sister; and Helen Swindle's brother-in-law, Jim, in your prayers.

*Pick up an extended list of those in need of our prayers on the table in the fover.

** Some names from this list have been moved to the extended prayer list.

PANTRY ITEMS FOR AUGUST:

Jelly & Soup

UPDATE YOUR DIRECTORY:

Brian & Amy Drewry 5 Cobalt Cove Greenbrier, AR 72058

88888888 **BIRTHDAYS** Ann Bowie 8/02 Susan Cole 8/05 **ANNIVERSARYS** Greg & Kinsey Bradford 8/08

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- 4. Abiding in God's word is also crucial to overcoming temptation. David prayed, "Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You" (Ps. 119:11). It does little good for us to complain about our spiritual weakness if we are unwilling to take the steps necessary for gaining spiritual strength. In the midst of temptation, Jesus countered Satan, saying, "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God" (Mt. 4:4). How can we expect to be strong against temptation without studying the God's word?
- Prayer is likewise essential. When His disciples asked Him to teach them how to pray. Jesus provided an example of prayer including these words: "And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil" (Mt. 6:13). The importance of this facet of prayer is amplified by their neglect of it in the Garden of Gethsemane. Christ's passionate struggle with temptation in the Garden is sandwiched between the following twice-spoken admonition to His disciples: "Pray that you may not enter into temptation" (Lk. 22:40, 46). As much as anything, their failure in subsequently deserting the Lord can be attributed to their failure to watch and pray.

Take heart in temptation. God has provided strength to endure and a way of escape. But, we must be willing to act in faith and trust His promises.

--Glen Elliott--

VISITOR BAGS

for August 9th

Linda Harness & Donna Allensworth



THANK YOU CARDS:

I want to thank everyone for the cards and prayers during my illness. Although the doctors are not sure what causes my medical condition, without your prayers I would not be here! With Christian love.

Steve Harrel

I want to thank each and every one for all prayers, calls, cards, visits, and showing your concern for Bailey since he has been in the nursing home and now has fallen and broken his hip. He came through surgery just fine, but still in a lot of pain, but is ok. We still need your prayers because of his dementia which is getting worse.

> Thank you again, Marilyn Watson

Greenbrier family, Natalie and I wanted to express our deep gratitude for the love and support that everyone has shown. We are so excited to start the semester at Bear Valley and look forward to telling ya'll all about our training and what God is doing!

In Christ with love, Justin & Natalie Vandaveer

FOOD COMMITTEE for AUGUST

Please contact

Laura Blake or Donna Allensworth



