

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

December 3, 2017

WELCOME: Rod Wilson  
SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Gary Bradford  
LORD'S TABLE: Derek Gilmer  
Shannon Whitley  
ASSIST: Jerry Garrett  
Albert Hall  
Patrick Rawls  
Jared Mahan  
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson  
GREETERS: Phillip & Dana Short  
Rod & Cindy Wilson  
CARDS: Ethan Gilmer  
Jag McNulty  
VISITOR GIFT/ Linda Harness  
HOSTESSES: Donna Allensworth  
SCRIPTURE READER: Brandon Beck  
Psalm 18:1-3

### SUNDAY EVENING

December 3, 2017

SONG LEADER: Jared Mahan  
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell  
LORD'S TABLE: Robert Hayes  
Kevin Lovell  
CLOSING PRAYER: Jackie Horton

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

December 6, 2017

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff  
OPENING PRAYER: Valdy Eichmann  
DEVOTIONAL: Michael Cole  
CLOSING PRAYER: Darren Dent

***\*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.  
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 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  
Gary Bradford 501-626-3232 Rod Wilson 501-328-7888

#### Deacons:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692  
(youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)

Michael Cole 815-622-1874  
(benevolence/pantry, technology)

Jarrod DeValle 501-470-8710  
(education & teachers)

Mike Wolff 501-472-8912  
(building & grounds)

#### Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

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## OPEN MY EYES

In this evening's lesson, we plan to take a look at some thoughts regarding how God speaks to us today. In preparation for that lesson, consider the distinctions largely adapted from A General Introduction to the Bible by Geisler and Nix (pp. 26-36):

Revelation has to do with the origin and giving of divine truth. In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul says, "For to us God revealed them through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God" (2:10). The Hebrew word for reveal means "to uncover" and the Greek word means "to unveil"—essentially the same in meaning. Both words involve the process of divine disclosure.

Inspiration relates to the reception and recording of divine truth. Familiar to many is the description of the inspiration process in 2 Peter 1:20-21 where Peter says, "But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God" (2 Peter 1:20-21). Inspiration differs from revelation in that inspiration involves men whereas revelation is solely an activity of God. Inspiration relates to both the prophet and the product of his pen.

Illumination, however, relates to our understanding of divine truth. This will be the emphasis of this evening's lesson. Illumination focuses on the words given by the Spirit which Paul describes as the combining of "spiritual thoughts with spiritual words" (1 Cor. 2:13). The apostle goes on to say that "a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised" (vs. 14). But, as indicated in verse fifteen, the one who is spiritually minded can understand the message received from the Spirit through the prophets. Thus, in revelation, God reveals the truth and, in illumination, man understands the truth.

In summary, then, revelation is the fact of divine communication. Inspiration is the means of divine communication. And, illumination is the understanding of divine communication. How precious, then, is God's word in its revelation, transmission, and understanding! As David says, His words "are more desirable than gold, yes, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the drippings of the honeycomb" (Ps. 19:10).

--Glen Elliott--

## CARE GROUPS:

### Care Group 1 (Lewis) -

Sunday, December 3rd after morning services in the fellowship room

### Care Group 2 (Dent) -

Saturday, December 30th in the Leonard's home- more details to come

### Care Group 5 (Yeager) -

Saturday, December 9th at 5pm in the home of the Barnett's -signup sheet

## MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, December 9th

at 8am in the  
fellowship room  
see signup sheet on  
bulletin board



## OUR RECORD

NOVEMBER 19, 2017

SUNDAY CLASS:	131
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	183
SUNDAY PM:	88
WEDNESDAY (15th):	96
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,052
YTD average:	\$5,306
YTD ahead/behind:	-\$4,506

# NEWS & NOTES

## PRAYER REQUESTS

\*Tom Barkley will have surgery to correct a heart condition at the Mayo Clinic Monday.

\*Charles Reynolds is in Conway Regional CCU with pneumonia.

\*Our sympathy goes out to Erin Thomason in the passing of her grandfather.

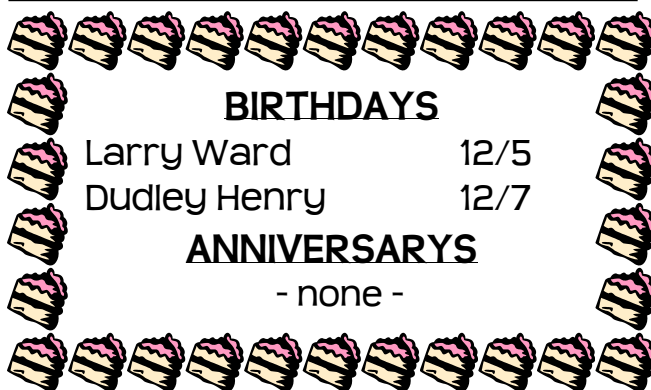
\*Alisa Gaither had a double heart cath on Friday.

\*Continue to keep Jason Elliott in your prayers.

\*Pray for Loretta Williams, wife of Dr. Williams who used to be with the Southern Christian Home. She lives out of state with her son now, but is missing.

\*Continue to keep Ratis Yeager; Herb Tatum's sister, Colleen Byrd; Junior Adams; Peggy Braden's daughter, Terri Massa; Mike Wolff's mother, Doris; Laura Blake's mother, Barbara McManus; Charles Reynolds; Terri Shoemaker; Verple Baker; Jim Sutterfield, and Joe Dillard in your prayers.

Remember Jeanne Haithcote who is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home.



## BIRTHDAYS

Larry Ward 12/5  
Dudley Henry 12/7

## ANNIVERSARYS

- none -

## LADIES SNOWMAN EXCHANGE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH  
AT 2PM IN THE  
HOME OF  
THE BARNETT'S

BRING:

- \$10 SNOWMAN GIFT
- SMALL FINGER FOOD



## CONGRATULATIONS!

Michael & Cassi Gilbow are the proud parents of Michael Reed, born November 20th. He was 7lbs 5 oz and 19 1/2 inches long.

## Thank you card

Please see the bulletin board  
for a thank you card  
from Ruth Garrett



## Blood Drive

at our building  
Thursday, December 7th  
9am - 2pm

## Young Adults Holiday Pizza Party

Friday, December 15th  
at 6pm in the fellowship room  
Please see the signup sheet  
on the bulletin board for  
more details. Deadline to  
signup is Dec. 13  
(there will be childcare at the  
Lewis home if needed - just bring  
a sack dinner)

## Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

December 3rd - Pat Davidson  
December 10th - Shelly Dent  
December 17th - Dena DeValle  
December 24th - Dona Dixon  
December 31st - Linda Drewry/  
Cyndi Moore

## VISITOR BAGS

for December 10th  
Anna Wolff & Becky Gossett



## FOOD COMMITTEE for December

Please contact:  
Gina Ratliff 581-1948  
Dana Short 472-4740

