## **PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

#### **SUNDAY MORNING**

February 28, 2016

WELCOME: Jarrod DeValle
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Kevin Barley

Albert Hall

ASSIST: Rick Camp

Ron McInturff Clayton Dent

Tim Dixon

CLOSING PRAYER: Spencer Cromwell GREETERS: Robert & Jenni Hayes

Joe & Katie Riela

CARDS: Jonathan Rawls

Ryeland Lovell

VISITOR GIFT/ Dorothy Tatum

HOSTESSES: Anna Wolff SCRIPTURE READER: Jacob Riela

Isaiah 55:6

## **SUNDAY EVENING**

February 28, 2016

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell

LORD'S TABLE:

Michael Cole David Woody

CLOSING PRAYER: Marty Leonard

## WEDNESDAY EVENING

March 2, 2016

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Wolff
DEVOTIONAL: Michael Gilbow
CLOSING PRAYER: Pete Hines

\*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 (benevolence, pantry, greeters)

Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 (education & teachers)

Michael Cilbaux 501-622-1874 (finance & technology)

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

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909

(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

**Ministers:** 

Glen Elliott *501-314-9999* Spencer Cromwell *731-438-1206* 

**Church Office:** 501-679-3647

#### **GREENBRIER CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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#### THE BREATH OF GOD

What do we mean when we say the Bible is inspired by God? Many claim to believe in the inspiration of the Bible. But, the concept of inspiration may vary from individual to individual. Paul said, "All Scripture is breathed out by God..." (2 Tim. 3:16, ESV). The word literally means "God breathed." Our English word "inspired" comes from a Latin word meaning "to breathe into." Franklin Pack said, "God's spirit is in Scripture as my breath and my spirit are in my words. As my words reveal and communicate to you the thoughts of my mind, so the things of God are made known to men through the words of the God-inspired Scriptures." When we say that the Bible is inspired, we are not using the word in the same sense in which one might say that William Shakespeare was an inspired writer. There is much more to being inspired than being a gifted writer.

In the past, God has spoken to man in many ways, but "in these last days [He] has spoken to us in His Son" (Heb. 1:2). Today, God speaks to man through Jesus, His Son. But, Jesus promised His apostles that He would send the Holy Spirit to guide them into all the truth (Jn. 16:12-15). Jesus further promised that the Holy Spirit would teach them all things and bring all that He said to their remembrance (Jn. 14:26). In other words, their message was not dependent on frail human memory. Quite to the contrary, the apostles were empowered to speak the message of Christ with inerrancy. Not only that, but they were able, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to provide man a written record of the Master's will. Paul alluded to this when he said, "If anyone thinks that he is a prophet, or spiritual, he should acknowledge that the things I am writing to you are a command of the Lord" (1 Cor. 14:37). Did Paul write from his own recall as he addressed the church in Corinth and other places? Or, did he, like the other writers of the New Testament, speak "from God as [He] was carried along by the Holy Spirit"? (2 Pet. 1:21). They were not merely given inspired thoughts to convey according to their own desires. Instead, the Spirit led them to combine spiritual thoughts with spiritual words (1 Cor. 2:6-13).

This is why studying the Bible is so important. It is not a message of man, but a message from God. As such, it must be received with humility and reverence. When Paul brought the gospel to the ancient city of Thessalonica, they received his message in the way it should be received in our day. Later, in writing to them, he recalled the manner in which they received the truth, saying, "And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers" (1 Thes. 2:13). We would do well to follow their example, knowing that it was God Himself who breathed into the gospel His breath of life. No wonder it is called the "word of life" (Ph. 2:16). The gospel of Christ gives life to all who believe and obey its truth. Read the Bible today and listen to what God has to say!

--Glen Elliott--

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## **CARE GROUPS:**

## Care group 4 (Wolff) -

Sunday, March 6th - after morning services in the fellowship room

#### Care group 5 (Hayes) -

Sunday, February 28th after morning services in home of the Elliott's bring a Mexican dish or dessert

We rejoice in the decision of Robin Linn to put on Christ in baptism. Robin is the mother of Cheyenna. Let's encourage Robin!

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#### VISITOR BAGS

for March 6th

Cassi Gilbow & Gina Ratliff



## OUR RECORD FEBRUARY 21, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS: 178 SUNDAY WORSHIP: 205

SUNDAY PM: 140

WEDNESDAY (24th): 124

BUDGET: \$5,400

OFFERING: \$5,795

YTD average: \$5,750

YTD ahead/behind: \$2,801



#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

\*Our sympathy goes out to Helen Swindle in the loss of her brother, Samuel Garvin. Funeral services were the 27th in Walnut Ridge.

\*Bob Gossett was able to come home from the hospital Thursday.

\*Continue to keep Rod Wilson in your prayers as he recovers.

\*All the names that were here needing ongoing prayers have been moved to the "Prayer Request" sheet. Please pick one of those up on the table in the foyer.

\*Remember our shut-ins including Jeanne Haithcote, who is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home, & Mack Hankins, who is home. Please let the office know of others as well.

### PANTRY ITEMS FOR MARCH:

Jiffy mix & mac n cheese

#### **FOOD COMMITTEE for March**

Please contact

Dona Dixon & Love Hines 680-6209 730-3995





#### THANK YOU CARDS:

Dear church family,
Thank you for the calls, visits, food,
and especially your love and
prayers! I am fine.
Ratis Yeager

Dearest church family,
Rod and I cannot thank you enough for
all of your prayers, phone calls, visits,
and wonderful foods you have heaped
upon us during this difficult hospital stay
and now home stay!

Truly,

Rod & Cindy Wilson
(There is more to this card - please see it on the bulletin board)

## **MONTHLY YOUTH DEVO**

Feb. 28th, after evening services in the home of the Yeager's - boys bring chips OR drinks - girls bring desserts

## BRIDAL SHOWER

for Kenzie Hawks,
daughter of Brian and T Swindle
& granddaughter of Helen Swindle,
March 13th from 3:30-5:00
in the fellowship room
Kenzie is registered at
Target and Bed, Bath, & Beyond



I try not to browse my social media feeds. While I love to see what family and friends are up to, and enjoy the occasional cute animal video, I can get wrapped up in false teachings. Not the glorification of sin, which is all over, but the subtle feel good statements. The ones that sound great, but are horribly wrong.

I was checking out a friend's page, when I came across several images with inspirational messages on them. One showed a young man walking an elderly lady across the street and read, "In the end, only kindness matters." While sweet and an act we should do, the logic was flawed. In the end, kindness is not what matters. Not even close. #fail

When this life ends and we stand in judgment, it will not be in front of a kindness meter. I won't be crossing my fingers in hopes the weight of my kindness on earth crosses a certain number. I will stand in front of Jesus, my Savior. Judgment will not be based on any righteous act of mine, but on His ultimate sacrifice. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is a gift from God. Not a result of works, so that no one may boast. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? (Romans 6:1) No. This is where kindness and many other attributes come in. As a result of being saved, I will be kind, give freely, show love, and much more. Next time you witness a message like this, remember that something meant to be inspirational can still be false and a lie. Guard yourself and be sure to check everything according to the Bible. In the end what matters is Jesus.

-Spencer Cromwell