

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

July 24, 2016

WELCOME: Jarrod DeValle
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Valdy Eichmann
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
Ricky Shannon
ASSIST: Kevin Blair
Ron McInturff
Patrick Rawls
Kevin Barley
CLOSING PRAYER: Michael Cole
GREETERS: Brian & Amy Drewry
Phillip & Dana Short
CARDS: Nick DeValle
Tate Stacks
VISITOR GIFT/ Dorothy Tatum
HOSTESSES: Edie Singleton
SCRIPTURE READER: Matthew Dent
Num. 6:24-26

SUNDAY EVENING

July 24, 2016

SONG LEADER: VBS
OPENING PRAYER: VBS
LORD'S TABLE: VBS
VBS
CLOSING PRAYER: VBS

WEDNESDAY EVENING

July 27, 2016

SONG LEADER: VBS
OPENING PRAYER: VBS
DEVOTIONAL: VBS
CLOSING PRAYER: VBS

****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 Gilbow 501-208-2909
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)
Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(building & grounds)

Ministers:

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MAN IS NOT GOD

There are two common mistakes we make concerning our relationship with God: trying to bring God down to the level of man; and, trying to bring man up to the level of God. Simplistic? Perhaps, but these two mistakes account for much of the confusion and heart-ache in the world today.

Attempting to bring God down to our level has been a problem from the beginning. When tempting Eve to partake of the forbidden fruit, Satan said, "God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil" (Gen. 3:5). Being like God was an idea that really appealed to Eve. As a result of their transgression, Adam and Eve brought sin and death in the world.

In the days of the prophet Ezekiel, God delivered a stern warning to the arrogant king of Tyre who was saying, "I am a god, I sit in the seat of gods, in the heart of the seas...." The Lord God quickly set the record straight, saying, "Yet you are a man and not a god..." (Eze. 28:2). Later, in view of coming judgment, God asks, "Will you still say, 'I am a god,' in the presence of your slayer...in the hands of those who wound you?" (vs. 9). When men raise themselves up to such heights, they are sure to be brought low.

Consider the example of King Herod who appeared before the people of Tyre and Sidon—people who were dependent upon him for food. When he had put on his royal apparel and had taken his seat, he began delivering his speech. Scripture says "the people kept crying out, 'The voice of a god and not of a man!' And immediately an angel of the Lord struck him because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms and died" (Acts 12:22-23). God is never pleased when men accept or take upon themselves glory which belongs only to God.

Strange as it may seem, this is exactly what the doctrine of Humanism accomplishes when it is believed and practiced. Humanism is a man-centered religion which attempts to solve man's problems apart from God. In fact, the first tenet of Humanism is Atheism. The Humanist Manifesto states: "Religious humanists regard the universe as self-existing and not created....We find insufficient evidence for belief in the existence of a supernatural....As nontheists, we begin with humans not God, nature not deity." Then, they go on to say, "While there is much that we do not know, humans are responsible for what we are or will become. No deity will save us; we must save ourselves." This is a modern-day example of man trying to bring himself up to the level of God. Lord willing, we will make some needed applications in next week's bulletin.

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

Care group 2 (Dent) -

Saturday, August 27th at 5pm
in the Wilson's home

Care group 4 (Wolff) -

Sunday, August 28th after morning
services in the fellowship room
potluck meal - see sign-up sheet



PANTRY ITEMS for JULY:

Soup & canned pasta

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 24th - 27th
7pm each night



OUR RECORD

JULY 17, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	175
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	229
SUNDAY PM:	116
WEDNESDAY (27th):	
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,624
YTD average:	\$5,810
YTD ahead/behind:	\$11,902

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Tom Barkley's mom, Delores Wade, fell and fractured her back. They are trying to figure out what their options are.

*The Davidson's son, Phillip, was able to come home from the hospital on Saturday (the 16th). He is not expected to need treatments. They are appreciative of the prayers & concerns of the congregation.

*Remember our shut-ins including Jeanne Haithcote, who is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home, & Mack Hankins, who is at home.

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

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

VISITOR BAGS for July 31st

Anna Wolff & Becky Gossett



BIRTHDAYS

Linda Ray	7/25
Jimmy Thomas	7/26
Jennifer Whitley	7/29

ANNIVERSARYS

Joe & Katie Riela	7/27
Ronald & Ginger Beene	7/29
Brian & Amy Drewry	7/30
Mike & Kristie Brewer	7/30

BABY SHOWER

August 7th

for Annie Blair

3:30 - 5:00 in the fellowship room

Kevin and Annie are expecting a
girl and are registered at Target

If you have any questions, please
see Amy Barley, Jan Biggs,
and Patsy Story

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Kevin Barley and Mike Brewer have
been put before the congregation
to serve as deacons.

Gary Bradford and Rod Wilson have
been put before the congregation
to serve as elders.

If you have any questions or scriptural
objections with any of these men,
please go directly to them and discuss.
If, after that discussion, you still have
a scriptural objection, please provide
that objection in writing with your
signature to Gene or Darren for
further discussion and consideration.
Of there are no scriptural objections by
July 31, these men will begin
serving on that date.



"Love your enemies and pray for those who
persecute you." (Matthew 5:44)

Prayer for your enemies is one of the
deepest forms of love, because it means
that you have to really want that
something good happen to them.

You might do nice things for your
enemy without any genuine desire that
things go well with them. But prayer for
them is in the presence of God who
knows your heart, and prayer is interced-
ing with God on their behalf. This is what
Jesus did as he hung on the cross:
"Father, forgive them, for they know not
what they do," (Luke 23:34). And it's
what Stephen did as he was being
stoned: Falling to his knees he cried out
with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this
sin against them!" (Acts 7:60).

Our hearts should want their salvation
and want their presence in heaven and
want their eternal happiness. So we pray
like the apostle Paul for the Jewish
people, many of whom made life very
hard for Paul, "My heart's desire and
prayer to God for them is that they may
be saved," (Romans 10:1).

- Spencer Cromwell

FOOD COMMITTEE for July

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