

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

March 30, 2014

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Adam Blake
OPENING PRAYER: Will Ratliff
LORD'S TABLE: Hunter Smart
Wyatt Brewer
ASSIST: Matthew Dent
Eric Peterson
Justin Smart
Gary Mavity
CLOSING PRAYER: Foster Hines
GREETERS: Ratis/Dorothy Yeager
Herb Tatum
CARDS: Bo McNulty
Ethan Shannon
VISITOR GIFT/
HOSTESSES: Cassi Gilbow
Gina Ratliff
SCRIPTURE READER: Garrett Brewer
Joshua 24:15

SUNDAY EVENING

March 30, 2014

SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Will Drewry
LORD'S TABLE: Clayton Dent
Ethan Edwards
CLOSING PRAYER: Garrett Brewer

WEDNESDAY EVENING

April 2, 2014

SONG LEADER: Garrett Brewer
OPENING PRAYER: Will Drewry
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent
DEVOTIONAL: Mike Wolff

****Please call the church office at
679-3647 if 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:

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Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909

Minister:

Associate/Youth Minister:

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THE CHURCH IS THE KINGDOM (3)

Christ is our king and we are citizens of His kingdom. He rules in our hearts as we submit to His law. We enter His kingdom by means of spiritual rebirth (Jn. 3:5). There are several important reasons why we must be citizens in Christ's spiritual kingdom, the church.

First, we should observe that there are only two spiritual kingdoms—the kingdom of Christ and the kingdom of Satan. John explains, "We know that we are of God, and that the whole world lies in the power of the evil one" (1 Jn. 5:19). Two spiritual domains—with Christ or against Him—no in-between position of neutrality (Mt. 12:30). If we do not place ourselves under Christ's rule, then we are under the rule of the devil. In his glimpse into the future John says that "the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever" (Rev. 20:10). Concerning judgment, the inspired writer goes on to say, "if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire" (vs. 15). In view of coming events, we want to be citizens of the eternal kingdom of Christ, not the kingdom doomed to everlasting destruction (2 Pet. 1:11).

Another reason why we want to be a part of Christ's kingdom is because, in the kingdom of Christ we enjoy fellowship with our Savior. In instituting the Lord's Supper, Jesus said, "But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom" (Mt. 26:29). Divine fellowship is not something we should take lightly. Paul said "You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons" (1 Cor. 10:21). Fellowship with Christ is not available outside His kingdom.

Finally, only children of Christ's kingdom will be saved on the day of His return. Jesus presented the Parable of the Tares in which He told of a man who sowed good seed in his field. The enemy came along at night and sowed weeds among the good seed. Both kinds of seed sprouted and grew together. It wasn't until later that it became evident that there were tares among the wheat. Too late to pull the tares without damaging the wheat, the only thing to be done was to wait until the harvest and then separate the good from the bad. At that time, the tares would be separated and burned with fire and the wheat would be gathered into the barn (Mt. 13:24-30). Jesus explains that the good seed represents the sons of the kingdom and the tares represent the sons of the evil one (vs. 38). Sons of the evil one will be committed to the place of everlasting torment. Sons of the kingdom "will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father" (vs. 43).

We must be citizens of Christ's kingdom, the church, in order to be saved. We enter into that kingdom by being born again of the water and the Spirit (Jn. 3:5). Examples of rebirth are abundant in the book of Acts. On the day of Pentecost, 3,000 souls were born again and added to the kingdom of Christ, the church. Believing the message of the apostles, they repented and were baptized for the forgiveness of their sins (Acts 2:38). In verse 47, we are told that God added to the church daily those who were being saved (Acts 2:47). Citizenship in Christ's kingdom provides eager anticipation of eternal salvation (Ph. 3:20-21).

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

- Care group 1 - April 13th
*(Barley's after morning services -
signup sheet on bulletin board)*
- Care group 2 - April 13th
*(fellowship room
after morning services)*
- Care group 3 - N/A
- Care group 4 - April 12th
(Allensworth's home at 5 pm)
- Care group 5 - April 12th
*(4:00 pm in the fellowship room -
Mexican theme)*
- Care group 6 - April 13th
(Rhyne's home after evening services)
- Care group 7 - April 27th
*(fellowship room after morning services-
Italian theme)*
- Care group 8 - N/A

*Shanna Lovell and Herb Tatum
have recently come forward
asking for our prayers. Let's
encourage them in their walk!*

**OUR RECORD
MARCH 23, 2014**

SUNDAY CLASS:	173
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	203
SUNDAY PM:	111
WEDNESDAY (26th)	
OFFERING:	\$5,013

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Our sympathy goes out to Floyma Sutterfield in the loss of her brother, Herald Mills.
- *Thelma Davis is in the Conway Regional rehab facility room 501.
- *Howard Haithcote is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home under hospice care.
- *Please pray for a friend of the Sadler family who has cancer.
- *Continue to remember Steven Baker - Verple & Gene's grandson; Mary Mix; Marlene Caldwell - Glen Elliott's sister; and Bryan Gossett - Bob & Becky's son.
- *Please pick up a prayer request sheet with all those who are in need of our prayers.*

True prayer is a way of life not just an emergency detour!



BIRTHDAYS

McKenzie Shannon	3/30
Gene Blair	3/31
Albert Hall	4/02
Tony Dunn	4/04
Cindy Wilson	4/04
Margaret Adams	4/05
Caroline Drewry	4/05

ANNIVERSARYS

-none-

THANK YOU CARD:

*To my church family,
I'm so grateful for each and every one of you. Your prayers were answered. And you sent cards of encouragement and have helped in everyway. I could not have made it without you.
I love each of you,
Mary Mix*

***LADIES DAY**

at Mars Hill Church of Christ
April 12th from 9:30 - noon
(lunch provided)

***GOSPEL MEETING**

at Gravel Hill Church of Christ
April 13th - 16th
Ted Knight is the speaker

**more info on bulletin board*

LADIES GETAWAY

APRIL 25TH & 26TH

In Little Rock @ Wingate Inn

Sign up sheet and more information on the ladies table - see Jan Biggs or Donna Allensworth with any questions

YOUTH NEWS

From Brett . . .

March 30th - student led worship

April 4th-6th - youth retreat @ Camp Wyldewood

April 6th - monthly youth devo at the home of the Elliott's @ 6:30.

*check out the calendar on our website:
www.gbcofc.com

MEN'S BREAKFAST

APRIL 19TH AT 8 AM

SINCE THIS IS EASTER WEEKEND, THERE IS A SIGNUP SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD TO SEE HOW MANY WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND.

VISITOR BAGS

*April 6th -
Anne Steele &
Beverly Woody*

**FOOD COMMITTEE
APRIL**

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581-6311 730-2997*

