

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

November 19, 2017

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
LORD'S TABLE: Jeremy Thomson
Shannon Whitley
ASSIST: Tim Dixon
Michael Cole
Nathan Woody
Mike Brewer
CLOSING PRAYER: Teddy Lewis
GREETERS: Marty & Tina Leonard
Robert & Jenni Hayes
CARDS: Ryeland Lovell
Tate Stacks
VISITOR GIFT/STEPHANIE BARKLEY
HOSTESSES: Anne Janski
SCRIPTURE READER: Brandon Beck
Psalm 41:13

SUNDAY EVENING

November 19, 2017

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Randy Gordey
LORD'S TABLE: Gene Blair
Darren Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Lovell

WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 22, 2017

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell
OPENING PRAYER: Gary Bradford
DEVOTIONAL: Greg Bradford
CLOSING PRAYER: Ratis Yeager

****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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LIVING ON THE EDGE

There are sports and, then, there are sports that border on the extreme--sports that make us shudder to think what might happen if we were to muster up the courage to participate in them. The thrill of pushing the limits of human endurance and coordination has driven the popularity of extreme sports in our day. However, most of us are content to sit in the stands or watch from the comfort of our recliner as others dare the unimaginable.

Likewise, living for Jesus is an adventure that many have reduced to a spectator sport. We watch intently as certain ones among us undertake monumental tasks in the name of the Lord. We are excited to hear their reports and vicariously experience the thrill of what the Lord is accomplishing in their lives. We do not push ourselves beyond what is comfortable, preferring instead to watch from the comfort of our padded pews.

But, the life of faith pushes the limits of what we can do or think through the power that works within us (Eph. 3:20-21). We rely not on the power of our own strength or intellect but on the faith that is in Christ Jesus (2 Cor. 5:7; Ph. 4:13). God never intended for us to rest on the laurels of past accomplishments or abide in the safety of what feels familiar. Being a Christian calls us to the extreme--from counting the cost of discipleship to fulfilling the Great Commission. It is all out there on the edge in a direction calling for utmost commitment and trust.

In Christ, even the ordinary becomes extraordinary. In his letter to the Thessalonians, Paul says, "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Th. 5:16-17). Serving the Lord is about pushing the boundaries of service to the extreme. Observe the extremes to which every Christian is called in this passage:

1. "Rejoice always." Even on the darkest day, there are blessings to count. In keeping our focus on Christ and His return, the shadows of life will always remain behind us.
2. "Pray without ceasing." We are admonished to be constant in prayer. Jesus said that we should "at all times...pray and not lose heart" (Lk. 18:1).
3. "In everything give thanks." Rejoice, pray, and be thankful. That is about as practical a formula for living an abundant life as can be found anywhere.

The inspired apostle did not merely say, "Rejoice, pray, and be thankful." Instead, he pushed each of these commands to the extreme by adding powerfully descriptive words. Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in everything. Push it to the limit. Live on the edge. Enjoy God's peace (Ph. 4:4-7). For God keeps every promise through Christ (2 Cor. 1:20).

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

- Care Group 1 (Lewis) -
Sunday, December 3rd after morning services in the fellowship room
- Care Group 2 (Dent) -
Sunday, November 19th after morning services in Linda Drewry's home - see signup sheet
- Care Group 3 (Bradford) -
Sunday, November 19th after morning services in the Gary & Becky's home
- Care Group 5 (Yeager) -
Saturday, December 9th at 5pm in the home of the Barnett's - signup sheet

*A wrong train of thought
can lead to a
wrong station in life*

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Ratis Yeager had hip replacement surgery on Friday (17th). Pray for a speedy recovery.
- *Junior Adams is still in Conway Regional following surgery.
- *Tom Barkley will be going to the Mayo clinic on November 28th and having surgery on December 4th to correct a heart condition. Please pray for family that will be traveling.
- *Jason Elliott had tests at the Mayo clinic last week. Please keep him in your prayers.
- *Bob Gossett is sick and going to have tests on his lungs.
- *Herb Tatum's sister, Colleen Byrd, suffered a massive stroke.
- *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 has been missing for about a week.

**November 26th
is the last Sunday
of the month.
Remember, we will have
our regular morning
service with a 1pm
afternoon service.
NO 5pm service.**

**Ladies Preparing
Communion Trays**

- November 19th - Terri Canino
- November 26th - Susan Cole
- December 3rd - Pat Davidson
- December 10th - Shelly Dent
- December 17th - Dena DeValle
- December 24th - Dona Dixon
- December 31st - Linda Drewry/
Cyndi Moore

**MEN'S BREAKFAST
Saturday, December 9th**



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

REMEMBER:

The last Sunday of EACH month we have a 1:00pm service instead of a 5pm service. When the last Sunday is a fifth Sunday we have a congregational potluck then the 1pm service. This is the schedule for the rest of 2017:

**November 26th: 1:00pm
Dec. 31st: 1pm & potluck**

OUR RECORD

NOVEMBER 12, 2017

SUNDAY CLASS:	152
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	179
SUNDAY PM:	84
WEDNESDAY (15th):	96
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,470
YTD average:	\$5,299
YTD ahead/behind:	-\$4,667



BIRTHDAYS

Junior Adams	11/19
Angie Gordey	11/20
Jennifer Dunn	11/22
Sandra Blair	11/23
Addie Gilbow	11/23

ANNIVERSARYS

Tim & Laura Blake	11/20
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Blood Drive

at our building
Thursday, December 7th
9am - 2pm
Please see the signup sheet
on the bulletin board

VISITOR BAGS



for November 26th
Anne Blair & Edie Singleton

**FOOD COMMITTEE
for November**



Please contact:
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