

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

October 25, 2015

WELCOME: Brian Drewry  
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield  
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell  
LORD'S TABLE: Pete Hines  
Shannon Whitley  
ASSIST: Ricky Shannon  
Kevin Barley  
Merrell Story  
David Woody  
CLOSING PRAYER: Gary Bradford  
GREETERS: Tim & Laura Blake  
Kevin & Amy Barley  
CARDS: Benjamin Thomason  
Ryeland Lovell  
VISITOR GIFT/ BECKY GOSSETT  
HOSTESSES: Cassi Gilbow  
SCRIPTURE READER: Matthew Dent  
1 John 4:4

### SUNDAY EVENING

October 25, 2015

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Jackie Horton  
LORD'S TABLE: Marty Leonard  
Del Hines  
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Barley

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 28, 2015

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell  
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson  
DEVOTIONAL: Darren Dent  
CLOSING PRAYER: Michael Gilbow

**\*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 Del Hines 501-733-4645  
(benevolence, pantry, greeters) (finance & technology)  
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912  
(education & teachers) (building & grounds)

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909  
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

#### Minister:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

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### “DID YOU HAVE FUN?”

Frequently asked of children by well-intentioned parents is the above question. It is a question underscoring the fact that, too many times, the rightness or wrongness of a particular activity is measured by the pleasure derived from the activity. Simply defined, fun is “a source of enjoyment or pleasure; an amusing diversion.” We are grateful to have been created with the capacity to experience pleasure. But pleasure, itself, was never intended to be our goal in life nor the standard by which we measure morality.

Because we live in a pleasure-driven society, we must take special care not to be taken captive by worldly pleasure. Such cannot deliver what is promised. Peter warns of those who promise “freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved” (2 Pet. 2:19). Sinful pleasure is a trap. Things that feel good now may later bring pain and sorrow. Many are the examples which might be cited—alcoholism, drug addiction, and sexual immorality. The story is the same: for a moment of reckless folly, there is a lifetime of regret—a high price to pay for “just having a little fun.”

There is a better way. Jesus promised a full and abundant life (Jn. 10:10). He died and rose again that we might rejoice forevermore (Jn. 16:22). We must be God-seekers, not pleasure-seekers. Jesus is the only way to the Father (Jn. 14:6). In the Father there is “every good and perfect gift” (Jas. 1:17). Pleasure derived from the legitimate use of God’s precious gifts brings joy and gratitude. Bowing to the god of pleasure is as inappropriate as bowing to an idol.

Learning to tell the difference between legitimate pleasure and sinful pleasure requires spiritual growth—the development of discernment through proper education of the conscience with the word of God. God’s word is our moral standard. Feelings are not a safe guide (Jer. 10:23). When we follow the Creator’s plan, as revealed in His word, life provides its richest joy and most sublime pleasures. Life’s greatest joys result from denying sinful pleasures and setting ourselves free to become servants of righteousness (Tit. 2:12; Rm. 6:17-18). Rather than inhibiting joyful living, God’s commandments provide the guidance we need to enjoy happiness in this life and in the world to come.

--Glen Elliott--

**VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**

11-11-15

**at 10 AM in the Panther Pavilion**

*\*see info on bulletin board*



**NEWS & NOTES**

PRAYER REQUESTS

\*Our sympathy goes out to our youth minister, Spencer Cromwell, in the loss of his grandmother, Francis Parker. Keep this family in your prayers.  
 \*Dorothy Yeager had 3 pins put in her hip last Tuesday, and is home doing fine.  
 \*Nita Sadler's sister-in-law, Betty Cockrill, had her cancer to come back. Remember her in prayer.  
 \*Kim Rankin has asked for prayers for an important matter with her family.  
 \*A coworker of Robert Hayes, Linda, has a 10 month old granddaughter with a brain tumor. Doctors were going to do a biopsy on Friday. She is at ACH.  
 \*Ted Knight, Jim Bell, and Curtis Sawrie are in Cluj, Romania. Keep them in your prayers during this mission trip.  
 \*Please keep Jason Elliott; Ronald Beene's brother, Mike; Ann Bowie, and Vic Byrd's daughter, Loren, in your prayers.

**Gospel Meeting**  
**Higden church of Christ**  
**November 1st - 4th**  
*\*more info on bulletin board*



**BIRTHDAYS**

Bill Davidson	10/25
Jenni Hayes	10/26
Judy Moody	10/26
Jim Burkett	10/31

**ANNIVERSARYS**

Robert & Jenni Hayes	10/25
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THANK YOU CARDS:

*Thanks to all my church family for all the calls and cards during the passing of my sister-in-law.*

*Verple Baker*

The love of God is shown when we extend our hands to those in need. This church did that for a family it did not know. Thank you all who gave to the Eichloff family. They were thankful for everything.

The Riela's

*Thank you so much for prayers, phone calls, cards, food & love during my surgery & recovery. Knowing I have such a wonderful Christian family gives me peace and strength - I love you so much!*  
*In Christian love,*  
*Janet Banks*

Youth Events:

**October 25th** - Monthly youth devo in the home of the Elliott's after evening services  
**BOYS BRING DRINKS**  
**GIRLS BRING DESSERTS**

**November 8th** - Area wide youth fellowship at Guy begins at 6 PM. Van will leave at 5:30.

Wedding Shower

for Audreya Cole

October 25th

3:30 - 5:00

in the fellowship room

*She is registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond*

WE ARE INVITED TO THE WEDDING OF:

Audreya Cole & Zac Brown

Saturday, October 31st

3:00 PM

Robinson & Center church of Christ

VISITOR BAGS

for November 1st

Anne Steele & Gina Ratliff



FOOD COMMITTEE for OCTOBER

Please contact

Anne Steele or Beverly Woody  
 581-6311 730-2997



OUR RECORD  
OCTOBER 18, 2015

SUNDAY CLASS:	166
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	197
SUNDAY PM:	105
WEDNESDAY (21st):	118
<b>BUDGET:</b>	<b>\$5,400</b>
<b>OFFERING:</b>	<b>\$4,624</b>
<i>YTD average:</i>	<i>\$5,375</i>
<i>YTD ahead/behind:</i>	<i>-\$1,059</i>