

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

July 29, 2018

WELCOME: Darren Dent  
SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Ron McInturff  
LORD'S TABLE: Wyatt Brewer  
Greg Bradford  
ASSIST: Matthew Dent  
Eli Leonard  
Luke Lewis  
Zach Gordey  
CLOSING PRAYER: Ratis Yeager  
GREETERS: Jim & Martha Bell  
Kevin & Annie Blair  
CARDS: Lyndon Lewis  
Ethan Gilmer  
VISITOR GIFT/ DONNA ALLENSWORTH  
HOSTESSES: Anna Wolff  
SCRIPTURE READER: Luke Lewis  
Romans 14:7-8

### SUNDAY EVENING

July 29, 2018

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell  
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp  
Kevin Blair  
CLOSING PRAYER: Tom Dryden

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

August 1, 2018

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff  
OPENING PRAYER: Greg Bradford  
DEVOTIONAL: Ratis Yeager  
CLOSING PRAYER: Gary Bradford

***\*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 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

#### Church Office:

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### HIS PERFECT PATIENCE

In writing about his own conversion to Christ, the apostle Paul spoke of "the perfect patience" of Jesus Christ (1 Tim. 1:16). Perfect patience is a uniquely divine quality. The patience of God, however, must not be abused or His patience will give way to His wrath. Many of the warnings of the Bible were directed toward those who had come dangerously close to incurring such wrath. For example, the people of Noah's time reached the point where "every intent of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually" (Gen. 6:5). Peter describes those days as the time "when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water" (1 Pet. 3:20). Because the people did not repent at the preaching of Noah, God brought the Flood upon the world of the ungodly. Was God patient? He certainly was patient. For 120 years, He kept waiting.

Another example of God's patience is seen in Jonah, who was sent to preach to the inhabitants of Nineveh. His message was that Nineveh had 40 days before she would be destroyed. The time of God's wrath had come upon this wicked city. As you know, the people repented and God relented of the calamity He had planned to bring upon Nineveh. Jonah was disgusted at God's change of heart. He explains his reason for trying to escape God's commission in the first place, saying, "I knew that You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, and one who relents concerning calamity" (Jon. 4:2). Was God patient with the Ninevites? Yes. When they repented, His patience accomplished its purpose.

Will there come a day when God will destroy the world? Peter says that "the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up" (2 Pet. 3:1). The fact that God is patient does not mean that He has forgotten his promise. In verse 9, Peter says, "The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance." What should be our response? Look as verses 10 and 11: "Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, on account of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and elements will melt with intense heat!"

God's nature is balanced between perfect patience and perfect holiness. God desires that all be saved, but all will not be saved. And, God will not wait forever for those who have rejected Him. As it is, "God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent, because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man who He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead" (Acts 17:30-31). Know for certain that the "patience of God is meant to lead you to repentance." God is patient and slow to anger. But, do not forget that the patience of God is meant to lead you to repentance (Rom. 2:4). We must change our hearts and change our lives today. --Glen Elliott--

### Bible Questions:

1. Who was the firstborn brother of Buz?
2. How many baskets of left-overs were gathered after the feeding of the four thousand?
3. How many pairs of clean animals did Moses put in the Ark?

(Answers in next week's bulletin)

### PANTRY ITEMS FOR JULY canned pasta & canned corn

### The answers to last week's Bible Questions:

1. Malta (Acts 28:1)
2. "Mother of all the living" (Gen. 3:20)
3. Jochebed (Ex. 6:20)

### OUR RECORD July 22, 2018

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| SUNDAY CLASS:     | 141     |
| SUNDAY WORSHIP:   | 174     |
| SUNDAY PM:        | 133     |
| WEDNESDAY (18th): | 116     |
| BUDGET:           | \$5,400 |
| OFFERING:         | \$3,993 |
| YTD average:      | \$5,685 |
| YTD ahead/behind: | \$8,252 |

## Prayer Requests

\*Cleon Koone had hip replacement surgery on Monday. He is home now.

\*Helen Swindle's neice, Sheila, needs our prayers at this time. She is in ICU at St. Bernard's in Jonesboro.

\*Ruth Garrett's nephew, Joe D., had colon surgery on Monday.

\*Janet Banks had hernia surgery on Wednesday.

\*Alta McAteer is in Conway Regional room 210.

\*Continue to keep Verple Baker; Stephanie Phillips; Mike Wolff's brother-in-law, Bob; Judy Moody's brother, Jim Bradley; Helen Swindle's sister, Sharon; the Hilburn's son Danny; Ada Forder; Barbara Knight; Vickie Hasty's sister, Linda Clark; Laura Blake's mother, Barbara McManus; and Joe Dillard in your prayers.

### BIRTHDAYS

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| Jennifer Whitley   | 7/29 |
| Stephanie Phillips | 7/29 |
| Charlene Parish    | 7/31 |
| Anna Wolff         | 8/01 |
| Ann Bowie          | 8/02 |
| Tiffany Glaze      | 8/04 |

### ANNIVERSARYS

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Ronald & Ginger Beene | 7/29 |
| Brian & Amy Drewry    | 7/30 |
| Mike & Kristie Brewer | 7/30 |

## DATES TO REMEMBER!

### July 29th

Last Sunday of the month services  
*Potluck after morning services*  
with a 1pm service —  
no 5pm service

**THANK YOU**  
to all who  
helped with  
VBS this year!

### FOOD COMMITTEE for JULY

Please contact:  
Kathy Camp 472-7943  
Shelly Dent 339-8105

## Our Wednesday night Summer Series

*Great Questions in the Psalms*

**August 1st** — Ted Knight  
"From Where Does My Help  
Come?" (Ps. 121:1)



**August 8th** — Ken Burton  
"What Shall I Render to the Lord?"  
(Ps. 116:12)

**August 15th** — Charles Bane  
"O Lord, Who May Abide in  
Your Tent?" (Ps. 15:1)

**August 22nd** — Johnathan House  
"Whom Shall I Fear?" (Ps. 27:1)

**August 29th** — Chase Turner  
"Why Are You in Despair,  
O My Soul?" (Ps. 42:5; 43:5)

### VISITOR BAGS August 5th

Becky Gossett &  
Anne Steele



### Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

**July 29th** - Jessica Smart  
**August 5th** - Tonya Force  
**August 12th** - Anne Steele  
**August 19th** - Patsy Story

