

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

September 29, 2019

WELCOME: Gene Blair
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Darren Dent
LORD'S TABLE: Justin McEntire
Ron McInturff
ASSIST: Brandon Beck
Tom Barkley
Daniel Phillips
Jim Bell
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson
GREETERS: Robert & Jenni Hayes
Ron & Linda McInturff
CARDS: Ethan Gilmer
Brayden Gilmer
VISITOR GIFT/ Cindy Wilson
HOSTESSES: Tara Stevenson
SCRIPTURE READER: Brian Drewry
Mark 10:32-34

SUNDAY EVENING

September 29, 2019

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Kevin Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Derek Gilmer
Ratis Yeager
CLOSING PRAYER: Rick Camp

WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 2, 2019

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
DEVOTIONAL: Darren Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

**Please contact Jackie Horton,
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 STUDY 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month:

PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30pm

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Rod Wilson 501-328-7888

Deacons:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
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Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999
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PATHWAY TO GLORY

All movement with directed purpose follows a predetermined path. The life-giving blood that courses through our physical bodies does so through the channels provided by our veins and arteries. Interrupting that course with a deep cut or wound can have serious consequences. In the days of expansion, great wagon trains made their way west along trails deeply cut into our nation's prairie. The Santa Fe and Oregon Trails provided a guide through our nation's frontier. As rough and dangerous as were these trails, things could get much worse if one wandered away from them. Any journey we make today is done so in cooperation with our nation's elaborate system of streets and highways. Our freedom to travel safely and effectively is largely determined by our ability to understand and follow a course that leads us to our desired destination. If we choose to leave the highway in preference to traveling the open spaces, it won't be long before we encounter obstacles such as a river, a mountain, or even by a barbed-wire fence. Even air travel requires the filing of a flight plan so as to avoid collision. The point is this: if we want to get to our desired destination, we must follow the path that leads to that destination.

Spiritually speaking, there is only one path that leads to heaven. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" (Jn. 14:6). There are not multiple paths to eternal glory. Jesus says, "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it" (Mt. 7:13-14). Some who believe they are on the right path will discover too late that they were mistaken. Jesus says, "Not every one who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven" (Mt. 7:21). Solomon reminded his son that "There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Prov. 14:12). Because the danger of being deceived or misled is always present, we must be familiar with and dedicated to a diligent study of God's word. It is our spiritual roadmap to heaven. We are spiritually directionless without the Lord's guidance. Jeremiah prayed, "I know, O Lord, that a man's way is not in himself, nor is it in man who walks to direct his steps" (Jer. 10:23). So, what is the answer? Trust. We must "walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Cor. 5:7). And when we do, we are possessed with a freedom unlike anything the world has to offer (Jn. 8:32; Gal. 5:1). Walking in the light of God's word gives us clear, unmistakable direction (1 Jn. 1:7; Ps. 119:105). Abiding in His love gives life its purpose (Jn. 15:10; Jude 21). With God's purpose and direction, we can really go places spiritually. In fact, in the context of practicing the Christian graces, Peter says, "in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you" (2 Pet. 1:11). Thank God for His amazing grace and for the path He has revealed in His word so that we might have a part in that eternal home of the soul!

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

*Anne Janski's surgery went well Thursday. She should be coming home Friday (the 27th).

*Derek Phillips had shoulder surgery Friday.

*Continue to keep Joyce Hines - room 204; Jeremy Tatum; Rod Wilson, Alisa Banks; Rance Rainey; Darlene Roberts; Gaynelle McNew; Ted & Barbara Knight; Helen Swindle's sister Shirley; Barbara McManus; Junior Adams; and in your prayers.

*Pick up an extended prayer list on the table in the foyer.

NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW:

-PARTICIPATION FORMS & MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER FORMS -

Please fill out your form and turn in this Sunday.

-LADIES RETREAT - If you plan to attend the ladies retreat and haven't signed up to bring food, please go by the ladies table and signup.

-THANK YOU CARD - Go by the bulletin board to see a thank you card from Linda Black.

-CONGRATULATIONS to Kim Rankin as she became a grandmother to Aiden William. He weighed 6lbs 11oz and was 20 inches long.

-MRS. DORTHY'S CURRICULUM - Those who have signed up to order the OT & NT lessons, please give your money to Martha or Shelly ASAP. The final total is **\$13.41** for each book.

OUR RECORD September 22, 2019

SUNDAY CLASS:	111
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	150
SUNDAY PM:	79
WEDNESDAY (25th):	91
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,026
YTD average:	\$5,562
YTD ahead/behind:	\$6,146

BIRTHDAYS

Livvy McNulty	10/1
Brian Swindle	10/5
Lavonne Duncan	10/5

ANNIVERSARIES

Austin & Sarah Ford	10/5
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

October 1st

SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS will meet in the Outreach Center at 10:30am for class with David Riley (Ecclesiastes 8) and potluck to follow. Sign up with what you will be bringing on the bulletin board.

October 6-8

GOSPEL MEETING at the Springfield congregation. Check the bulletin board for times.

October 8

AREA WIDE FELLOWSHIP at Harding Street beginning at 5:30pm. Let Bill Davidson know if you plan to attend.

October 9th

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES BIBLE CLASS — *How to Train Your Dragon* by Celine Sparks will be the book. Colleen will be teaching the class. See the signup sheet on the bulletin board so we can get books ordered.

October 11-13th

LADIES FALL RETREAT at the Ozark Conference Center. There is a signup sheet on the ladies table. Text Jan if you plan to attend at 501-680-5485.

October 12th

AMMO & EATIN' FUNFEST at the Wilson's (3 Four Farm Trail in Plumerville). All MEN of the congregation are invited - a meal is provided. Signup if you plan to go.

October 20-23

GOSPEL MEETING at the Harding Street congregation. Check the bulletin board for times.

October 26th

FALL FUN NIGHT for all families—make plans to come—more info to follow.

Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

September 29th - Beverly Woody
October 6th - Donna Allensworth



Forgiveness

During the covenant relationship with Israel in the Old Testament, they were instructed yearly to make a sacrifice to be forgiven of their shortcomings (Lev. 4:2,3). They were instructed that if they became unclean that they would have to sacrifice immediately so that they could take part in certain events with the rest of the Israelites. The interesting thing about these types of forgiveness is that God required the sacrifice of an animal to be forgiven; and these sacrifices did not offer permanent forgiveness. In the New Testament, the sacrificial lamb became known as Jesus Christ who died for our sins so that we would have eternal forgiveness. Without the precious blood of Christ we cannot be saved. That's why it is so important for us to be cleansed in the blood of everlasting forgiveness. When we are Christians, we still mess up. Even though Christ's blood washes away our sins, we are told that if we sin we still need to repent and pray so we do not have sins hanging on our shoulders (Acts 8:22). Jesus gave us a chance to be completely forgiven. I hope you will be encouraged to seek Christ's forgiveness if you have not done so (Acts 2:38).
- Mark

VISITOR BAGS

October 6th

Beverly Woody &
Dorothy Yeager