

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

October 13, 2019

WELCOME: Mike Brewer  
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson  
OPENING PRAYER: Rick Camp  
LORD'S TABLE: Derek Phillips  
Jim Bell  
ASSIST: Ron McIntruff  
Gene Blair  
Tom Barkley  
Tyler Blair  
CLOSING PRAYER: Gene Blair  
GREETERS: David & Beverly Woody  
Ratis & Dorothy Yeager  
CARDS: Ethan Gilmer  
Braydne Gilmer  
VISITOR GIFT/ Donna Allensworth  
HOSTESSES: Stephanie Barkley  
SCRIPTURE READER: Matthew Dent  
1 Thess. 1:2-6

### SUNDAY EVENING

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SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson  
OPENING PRAYER: Derek Gilmer  
LORD'S TABLE: Matthew Dent  
Tim Blake  
CLOSING PRAYER: Ratis Yeager

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 16, 2019

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher  
OPENING PRAYER: Tim Blake  
DEVOTIONAL: Mike Brewer  
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson

**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  
(youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)

### Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999  
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## THE PRICE OF OUR FREEDOM

Without having been there, we can only imagine what it must be like to stand inside the gates of Arlington National Cemetery where so many white stones mark the graves of America's fallen. But, judging from the pictures we have seen, it must provide a stunningly impressive visual reminder of the high cost of our nation's freedom.

But there are also great spiritual battles which have been fought for our freedom. The stakes of these battles were even greater than those of carnal warfare in that the outcome carried eternal consequences. In His resurrection from the dead, Jesus dealt a mortal blow to Satan's power and made victory possible for all who trust in Him. Each Lord's Day we participate in a memorial service, calling our minds and hearts back to the cross of Jesus, where He sacrificed His body and shed His blood on our behalf. Without having been there, we can only imagine what it must have been like to stand at the foot of the cross. But, from what we can read and imagine, the cross provides a stunningly impressive visual reminder of the high cost of our spiritual freedom.

We are redeemed by the blood of God's only Son. Redemption carries the idea of having been bought back from something—in this case, from our slavery to sin. Jesus "did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many" (Mk. 10:45). We were not redeemed "with perishable things like silver or gold...but with precious blood, as of a lamb unspotted, the blood of Christ" (1 Pet. 1:18-19).

Only the blood of Jesus can purchase our freedom from sin. David reminds us that "No man can by any means redeem his brother, or give to God a ransom for him—for the redemption of his soul is costly..." (Ps. 49:7-8). Had there been another means of purchasing our redemption, God would have chosen it. God says that "it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins" (Hb. 10:4). Nor can we merit redemption on the basis of our own goodness. The Bible says that "all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment..." (Is. 64:6). Paul tells us that "There is none righteous, not even one" (Rm. 3:10). He goes on to say that we have "all sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (vs. 23).

Apart from Jesus we are hopeless. "For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rm. 5:6-8). Two of the most beautiful words in all the Bible are the words, "for us." While we could never do it on our own, Jesus purchased our spiritual freedom through His blood. For this we must ever be thankful, expressing our gratitude in word and action. --Glen Elliott--

# Prayer Requests

- \*Laura Blake’s mom, Barbara McManus, is home from the hospital.
- \*Rick Camp’s mom, Donna Lindsey, is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home and Rehab Center room 507.
- \*Joshua Ankiah did need his gallbladder removed. He is doing better.
- \*Continue to keep Jeremy Tatum; Alisa Banks; Rance Rainey; Darlene Roberts; Gaynelle McNew; Ted & Barbara Knight; Junior Adams; and in your prayers.

Sermon Title for A.M. Worship  
**REMINDERS FROM PAUL**  
Mark Talbert

## SHOWER AND WEDDING INFO

Daniel Phillips is getting married on October 19<sup>th</sup> to Cena Aguayo. We won’t be holding a wedding shower because we couldn’t find a free weekend. He and Cena have an online gift registry that will mail the gift you select directly to them. See instructions/details on the table by the sound booth. Laura Blake and Shelly Dent will be taking a collection if you prefer to give money towards a gift.

## OUR RECORD October 6, 2019

SUNDAY CLASS:	110
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	130
SUNDAY PM:	72
WEDNESDAY (9th):	82
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,963
YTD average:	\$5,541
YTD ahead/behind:	\$5,659

## WEDDING SHOWER

We are all invited to Guy Church of Christ for the bridal shower of Elizabeth Havens Sunday, October 13th at 12:15pm. She is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond.

## COIN CANS

Notice the coin cans on the table in the west hallway. Pick one up and fill it with your change. Bring it back to the office, and we’ll get the money to the Children’s Home in Paragould.

## BIRTHDAYS

Austin Ford 10/16

## ANNIVERSARIES

Junior & Margaret Adams 10/16

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

### October 13th

**AREA WIDE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP** at Wind-song—van will leave at 4:30pm.

### October 15th

**SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS** will meet at Camp Areopagus in an area-wide class at 10:30am with lunch to follow. Sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to ride the van to camp—it will leave at 9:30am.

### October 21st

**Monday Night for the Master (MNM)** begins - more details to follow.

### October 20-23

**GOSPEL MEETING** at the Harrison & Willow congregation. Check the bulletin board for times.

### October 20-23

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

### October 26th

**FALL FUN NIGHT** for all families beginning at 5pm. Please signup on the bulletin board with what you will be bringing

## VISITOR BAGS

October 20th

Martha Bell & Kathy Camp

## THANK YOU

Go by the bulletin board to see a thank you note from Anne Janski

## Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

October 13th - Stephanie Barkley  
October 20th - Donna Beck/Dorothy Yeager  
October 27th - Martha Bell

\*for any questions, please contact Cindy Wilson



## How Big Is Our Faith?

In 1 Samuel 17, one of the most famous stories of David’s life is found. This is the story of the battle between David and Goliath. Goliath was up at the frontline of the Philistine army, taunting the Israelite’s army. Goliath challenged Israel to let one man come down and fight him and whoever wins the fight will take their people as servants. The Israelites were afraid, but there was one man of Israel that was ready to stand up and fight, David. David was a faithful man to God. He went to the frontlines to battle Goliath when no one else would. Saul tried to stop him and tell him that he is just a youth, but David had such great faith that God would deliver him from the Philistine’s hand. David tells Saul that God has already delivered him in two situations involving a lion and a bear, so he has every reason to believe that the Lord will help him here. He went to battle Goliath “in the name of the Lord of hosts” (1 Sam. 17:45). In the next few verses, David strikes Goliath with a stone from a sling and kills him. So, what does this story have to do with our faith? Our faith helps us to defeat the things of this world that are evil. Our faith helps us to overcome sin. It helps us to overcome anything that can harm our spirituality and our relationship with God. The Israelites had a weak faith in God. They were so afraid that they could not trust that God would be with them because their faith was weak. When our faith in God is weak, the things of this world will taunt us, kick us around, and leave us struggling in our lives. The faith that David had in God saved these Israelites. We need to make it our goal to have the kind of faith that David did. - Mark