

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

October 20, 2019

WELCOME: Mike Brewer
SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Rick Camp
LORD'S TABLE: Darren Dent
Eric McNulty
ASSIST: Daniel Phillips
Brandon Beck
Tyler Blair
Tom Barkley
CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
GREETERS: Kevin & Annie Blair
Aubrey & Donna Allensworth
CARDS: Haze Stevenson
Benjamin Thomason
VISITOR GIFT/ Martha Bell
HOSTESSES: Kathy Camp
SCRIPTURE READER: Brandon Beck
1 Thess. 1:9-10
NURSING HOME: Kevin Blair

SUNDAY EVENING

October 20, 2019

SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Ron McInturff
Kevin Blair
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 23, 2019

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
DEVOTIONAL: Tim Blake
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:

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Deacons:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
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THE DEBT HAS BEEN PAID

Deadlines can be motivating, especially when connected to penalties. Perhaps, that is why lines are so long as the time draws near for deadlines to expire. Death and taxes are two of life's great certainties. In the rush of everyday life, both have a tendency to escape our notice. Delinquent taxes result in extra charges. However, once they are paid; there are little lasting repercussions other than that sinking feeling of having had to pay more than what was required. A lesson learned and life goes on as before except for a little more determination to do better next year.

Not so with death. Should the Lord tarry in His return, death looms on the horizon for each of us. The inspired writer says, "it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment..." (Hb. 9:27). The time of our departure from this life is unknown to us. We are but a breath away from eternity. Because life is unpredictable, we cannot bank our hopes on a last-minute rush to the courthouse to pay what we owe.

Concerning our debt, we owe more than we can pay. We are sinners who fall short of the glory of God (Rm. 3:23). Because the wages of sin is death (Rm. 6:23); we owe a debt we cannot pay. We are helpless and hopeless apart from the atoning sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. His blood purchases our redemption through the riches of His grace (Eph. 1:7). Through the power of His sinless life, Jesus serves as our merciful and faithful high priest making propitiation for our sins (Hb. 2:17). He pays the debt He does not owe.

This does not mean that we should "continue in sin so that grace might increase" (Rm. 6:1). Quite to the contrary, our union with the death of Christ changes our life completely. We are no longer slaves to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus" (Rm. 6:6, 11). In gratitude, we "obey from the heart" and offer our bodies as "living and holy" sacrifices to the Lord (Rm. 6:17; 12:1). In so doing, we abide in a continual state of preparation as we "walk in the light as He Himself is in the light..." (1 Jn. 1:7). Thus, we are delivered from "the power of death" to which we had been "subject to slavery" all our lives (Hb. 2:14-15). Yes, "God will bring every act to judgment" (Eccl. 12:14); but, in Christ, our debt has been paid. Praise God for the surpassing riches that are ours in Christ!

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Cari Gilmer’s mother, Jan Pohlner, has been diagnosed with leukemia and will be undergoing treatment over the next couple of months. Prayers for a full recovery are appreciated.
- *Tony Watts, Mark’s uncle, had two massive strokes over a few days and is not expected to live. Please keep the Watts family in your prayers.
- *Joshua Ankiah is still having issues and is waiting on blood tests.
- *Linda McInturff’s grandson’s father-in-law passed away. Please pray for this family
- *Most of the names that have been on this list have been moved to the extended prayer list that’s on the table in the foyer.*








SHOWER AND WEDDING INFO

Daniel Phillips and Cena Aguayo will be married October 19th. We will not 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 13, 2019	
SUNDAY CLASS:	88
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	122
SUNDAY PM:	64
WEDNESDAY (16th):	82
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,052
YTD average:	\$5,505
YTD ahead/behind:	\$4,311

NEXT SUNDAY
is the last Sunday of the month - we will have regular morning services then a 1:00pm afternoon service - no potluck or 5pm service.

VISITOR BAGS
October 27th
Becky Gossett & Tiffany Guillen

BIRTHDAYS		
	Vickie Hasty	10/21
	Kathy Camp	10/23
	Tiffany Guillen	10/24
	Bill Davidson	10/25
	Jenni Hayes	10/26
	Judy Moody	10/26
ANNIVERSARIES		
	Robert & Jenni Hayes	10/25

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:


- October 20th**
Monthly Youth & Family Devo after evening services. If you plan to attend, bring a drink and/or figure food.
- October 21st**
Monday Night for the Master (MNM) will meet in the Outreach Center at 6pm.
- 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 will begin at 5pm in the Outreach Center. There will be a pumpkin carving contest so bring your pumpkin and carving supplies. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board with food items. Bring your blankets and chairs for singing around the fire pit.
- October 29th**
The **Seniors Ministry** class will eat out at Pizza Ranch. The van will leave at 10:30am from the building. Sign up if you plan to go by Sunday the 27th. Put a check by your name if you will ride the van.
- November 5th**
The **Seniors Ministry** class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center for a devo with a potluck to follow. Josh Hernandon from Guy will be teaching Ecclesiastes chapter 9. See the signup sheet for the potluck.
- Ladies Preparing Communion Trays**

October 20th -
Donna Beck/Dorothy Yeager

October 27th - Martha Bell

November 3rd - Jan Biggs

**for any questions, please contact Cindy Wilson*



What’s the Point?

No matter what we do, we are going to come across situations in our lives that are going to make us feel like we have nothing. Losing a loved one, being fired from your job, or being unable to support your family are all things that would probably make us feel that way. It does not help when someone decides to scrutinize against you for it. They may start telling you that since you lost your job, you will never find something else. That can be very discouraging to us. Regardless, we need to make sure that we still treat people how God would want us to treat others. So, I ask you this. Have you ever had a thought come to you that makes you feel like you have no purpose in life? I have questioned this myself, and I feel this is something that a lot of us can relate to. If we have no purpose, then why would God put us here? Why would He waste His time in creating us if we are not even useful to Him? In Genesis chapter one, we see that God calls everything in His creation good, but He gave man a special characteristic. God says in Genesis 1:26, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” God gave us the gift of being able to rule this earth and to live in it in a way that He saw fit. God made us in His image so that through our actions, people can see God in us. God is the reason we are all here. He created us so that we could follow Him and glorify Him. He is our purpose.

-Mark Talbert-