

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

December 1, 2019

WELCOME: Gene Blair
SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Kevin Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Mike Brewer
Ron McInturff
ASSIST: Seth Fisher
Brandon Beck
Justin McEntire
Matthew Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
GREETERS: Bob & Becky Gossett
Robert & Jenni Hayes
CARDS: Ethan Gilmer
Braydon Gilmer
VISITOR GIFT/ Cindy Wilson
HOSTESSES: Anna Wolff
SCRIPTURE READER: Jim Bell
1 Cor. 9:24-27
NURSING HOME: Derek Phillips

SUNDAY EVENING

December 1, 2019

SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Darren Dent
LORD'S TABLE: Gene Blair
Jim Bell
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

WEDNESDAY EVENING

December 4, 2019

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Rick Camp
DEVOTIONAL: Brian Drewry
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:

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Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
(youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)

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Glen Elliott 501-314-9999
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TOGETHER WE GROW

As we consider needed changes in the year ahead, we should examine the frequency with which we attend opportunities for worship and Bible study. There are two extremes associated with the subject of church attendance. The first is looking for a minimum weekly requirement and the second settles on human tradition as binding authority.

Scripture teaches that congregations of the Lord's people must meet on the first day of the week to worship the Lord (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2; Heb. 10:25). The Scripture is silent concerning meeting times and duration of services. Through the centuries these matters have changed according to the needs and circumstances of the day. In a primitive agricultural setting, Sunday services might have been an all-day affair with dinner on the grounds. No Sunday or Wednesday night services. Today we have Bible classes prior to Sunday morning worship services. Sunday evening services seem to have originated as a result of more and more people having jobs that required them to work on Sunday morning. Our Wednesday evening Bible classes used to be mid-week prayer meetings.

Other than meeting with the church on the Lord's Day for the purpose of engaging in the five acts of worship, the scheduled meetings of the church fall into the area of expediency. As our shepherds, the elders are responsible to feed the flock over which they exercise oversight (1 Pet. 5:1-3; Acts 20:28). There are different ways the elders can make sure the church is being spiritually fed. They can go from house to house teaching the flock or, because of time limitations, it may be expedient for them to ask the church to gather for special feedings from God's word. These meetings include Sunday School classes, Sunday evening services, and Wednesday night classes. From time to time, our shepherds provide other opportunities such as gospel meetings, VBS, seminars, and retreats. Our participation in these opportunities not only demonstrates love and devotion for God and one another; it also shows respect for God's leadership in the church.

Attendance is not a matter of following tradition or seeking the minimum required devotion in order to stand right with God. If being together for study and worship is merely something we do because we have to do it, then we have altogether missed the point. Early Christians met daily "devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" (Acts 2:42). They had no church buildings. They had no church bulletin. They had no appointed time for mid-week Bible study. They had singleness of mind and devotion to learn more and more of God's word. May God richly bless us to this end.

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- * Junior Adams is next door in the rehab center room 501.
- * Anne Steele will begin chemotherapy treatments on Dec. 2nd. Please pray for her.
- * Peggy Braden is in ICU at Baptist in Conway. Remember her in prayer.
- * Check the table in the foyer for an extended prayer list of those members, or loved ones, that need to be remembered regularly in our prayers.

If anyone is interested in purchasing Mrs. Dorothy Tatum's books, we have 5 extra sets in the office—see Martha or Shelly if you'd like to purchase a set: \$27.31 per set (tax included)

HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP

December 7th at 5pm - join us for a night of fellowship and fun in the Outreach Center. See the signup sheet for food - food does not need to be "holiday" type food.

HOLIDAY BOXES

Pick up a list of the needed items on the table in the foyer so you can purchase them OR you may give money (\$55 per box) to help purchase the needed items by Dec. 8th. Give the money to Ron or Linda McInturff

Our Record

November 24, 2019	
SUNDAY CLASS:	110
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	143
SUNDAY PM:	51
WEDNESDAY (27th):	
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,052
YTD average:	\$5,473
YTD ahead/behind:	\$3,426

BIRTHDAYS

Jerry Garrett	12/2
Ada Blair	12/3
Larry Ward	12/5
Dudley Henry	12/7

ANNIVERSARIES

- none -

Calendar of Events

- December 8th - Area Wide Youth Fellowship** at the Oppelo congregation. The van will leave at 4pm.
- December 16th - Monday Night for the Master** will meet in the Outreach Center at 6pm.

CONGRATULATIONS!
to Jim & Martha Bell on the birth of their granddaughter, Charlie Jean King. She was born Sunday morning.

VISITOR BAGS for December 8th
Beverly Woody & Dorothy Yeager

KID'S CORNER

WORDSEARCH

Jesus at Capernaum (Matt. 4:12-17)

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H	U	Q	A	N	F	T	L	I	H
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F	F	J	R	G	E	S	N	H	A
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Full Circle

Has there ever been a moment in your life that you thought everything was crumbling all around you? A moment that you know that the position you are in is not a good one and you know it's going to cost you? We find ourselves in the position often, do we not? There may be a time at school where it's crunch time and things need to get done. We may get fired from a job that we enjoyed and now we have to start from square one. This reminds me of the quarrel between Abner and Joab. In 2 Samuel 2, we see that they cross paths at the pool of Gibeon. This leads to their men battling and killing each other at the same time. Asahel, Joab's brother, pursued Abner to prevent him from escaping. Abner ended up slaying Asahel. When Asahel's brothers saw that he had been slain, they pursued Abner. They eventually caught up to him at the hill of Ammah, and Joab, his brother, and his troop lined up against Abner. Joab and Abishai were ready to take Abner out, and Abner knew that if he did not do something quick that it would be over for him. It came full circle to Abner that he better do something. Abner starts talking and luckily convinces them to turn away from killing him and the rest of his men. So. How does this apply to us? We may find ourselves in situations that have the ability to tear us apart. If we are not constantly remembering the end goal of the Christian, we will find ourselves in a world of hurt. We need to always recollect ourselves before making a decision that could bring some very complicated situations. We need to find ourselves on the side that leads to salvation, not death.

-Mark Talbert-