

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

November 17, 2019

WELCOME: Darren Dent  
SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert  
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair  
LORD'S TABLE: Ron McInturff  
Kevin Blair  
ASSIST: Brandon Beck  
Rick Camp  
Mike Brewer  
Derek Gilmer  
CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson  
GREETERS: Darren & Shelly Dent  
Austin & Sarah Ford  
CARDS: Ethan Gilmer  
Brayden Gilmer  
VISITOR GIFT/ Nora Smith  
HOSTESSES: Tara Stevenson  
SCRIPTURE READER: Justin McEntire  
Micah 6:8  
NURSING HOME: Robert Hayes

### SUNDAY EVENING

November 17, 2019

SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert  
OPENING PRAYER: Darren Dent  
LORD'S TABLE: Ratis Yeager  
Justin McEntire  
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 20, 2019

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher  
OPENING PRAYER: Derek Gilmer  
DEVOTIONAL: Jim Bell  
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent

**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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### “A Time to Be Silent and a Time to Speak”

According to Solomon, there is a time for everything (Eccl. 3:7). When to speak and when to remain silent is an assignment not easily mastered.

“Silence is golden” is an expression pre-dating the 1964 release of a song recorded by Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. The expression goes back at least as far as the 1848 proverb: “Speech is silver and silence is golden.” Simply put, this means that there are things that should not be repeated and, in such matters, silence is of great value. Centuries earlier, Solomon said that the one “who repeats a matter separates intimate friends” (Prov. 17:9). So, there is a time to remain silent. We do not have an obligation to share everything we know with others. In fact, talebearing is a sin that hurts people (Prov. 11:13; 18:8). It fuels contention and kindles strife (Prov. 26:20-21). Paul tells us to speak only such words as are “good for edification according to the need of the moment...” (Eph. 4:29). The matter is so serious that we are told not even to associate with someone who engages in talebearing (Prov. 20:19).

In Scripture, silence is often an indicator of faith in God. In an expression of trust, David writes, “My soul waits in silence for God only; From Him is my salvation” (Ps. 62:1).

This reminds us of Moses’ declaration of faith in the presence of the recently delivered children of Israel who were pinned between the Red Sea and the horses and chariots of Pharaoh. He said, “Do not fear! Stand by and see the salvation of the Lord which He will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see them again forever. The Lord will fight for you while you keep silent” (Ex. 14:13-14).

Silently waiting for deliverance, rather than rebelling and complaining as the people of Israel had been doing (vss. 11-12), shows trust in the Lord.

This may shed light on our Lord’s silence before His tormentors. Jesus kept silent (Mt. 26:63). He did not answer (Mt. 27:12, 14; Jn. 19:9; Mk. 15:5; Lk. 23:9). In this, Jesus fulfilled the words of the prophet who said, “He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth” (Isa. 53:7). In His silence, Jesus was “entrusting Himself” to the will of the Father (1 Pet. 2:23). However, when called upon to reveal His true identity, Jesus did not shrink away in cowardly silence but boldly made the good confession, not only before the Council but also before Pilate (Mt. 26:64; 1 Tim. 6:13). Similarly, we must “sanctify Christ as Lord in our hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks [us] to give an account for the hope that is in [us], yet with gentleness and reverence...” (1 Pet. 3:15). Indeed, there is a time to speak and a time to be silent.

We will be judged accordingly (Mt. 12:36-37).

--Glen Elliott--

## Prayer Requests

\*Anne Steele has been diagnosed with chronic leukemia. There are 3 stages and she has the middle stage. Her white count is rising rapidly, and she will be starting chemo on December 2nd. Please pray for her.

\*Alisa Banks will have surgery November 18th. Please keep her in your prayers

\*Dorothy Tatum is home from the hospital. Pray for her as she recovers from pneumonia.

## 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.*

*Give the money to Ron or Linda McInturff*

## HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP

***December 7th at 5pm  
Join us for a night of  
fellowship and fun in the  
Outreach Center. See the signup  
sheet for more details.***

## UPDATE your directory

**Alisa and Janet Banks zip code is 72110  
NOT 72118**

## Our Record

**November 17, 2019**

SUNDAY CLASS:	111
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	123
SUNDAY PM:	54
WEDNESDAY (13th):	80
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,123
<i>YTD average:</i>	<i>\$5,486</i>
<i>YTD ahead/behind:</i>	<i>\$3,853</i>

## BIRTHDAYS

	Kathey Peterson	11/18
	Junior Adams	11/19
	Jennifer Dunn	11/22
	Sandra Blair	11/23

## ANNIVERSARIES

 Tim & Laura Blake 11/20

## Calendar of Events

**November 17th** - Monthly Youth Devo  
in the Elliott's home after evening services.  
All youth and families are invited to attend.  
If you plan to attend, please bring a dessert.

**November 18th - Monday Night for the Master** will meet in the Outreach Center at 6pm.

**December 8th - Area Wide Youth Fellowship** at the Oppelo congregation. The van will leave at 4pm.

### VISITOR BAGS for November 24th

*Helen Swindle & Hope Terry*

# WORDSEARCH

## Dealing with Anger (Matthew 5:21-26)

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O B E Q Y S B D Z U  
R F R H Q C W V Q D  
M A O O E S T E G G  
E U C Z T O F R F M  
O K R A P H V S O E  
Z Q F D E L E A O N  
P G G V E I H R L T  
P E N N Y R Y Y W O  
C O U N C I L C S I

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MURDER  
DANGER  
FOOL  
COUNCIL

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## How Do We See People?

We are all very familiar with the main reason for Jesus coming to earth: to seek and save the lost. Imagine if it were you that had to fulfill the role of Jesus Christ. You came to earth to be a servant to God only, and during every day of your ministry, you are moving from place to place or taking part in something that will benefit the Lord's kingdom. That is a huge role to take on your shoulders. You know that the work for the kingdom never stops and many times, Jesus shows that. But the thing is, do we know that the work never stops? Does that eat at our hearts and minds every time that question pops into our heads? If it does, you probably have the answer to that question. The work for the kingdom never stops. In Matthew 9:36-37, it says, "Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.'" Just as Jesus had the mission on the earth to seek and save the lost, it is our job to continue doing that work until He comes. Jesus had compassion for the people of this earth. He wanted to help those who were distressed and dispirited. He showed them a way out of that state. He gave them a reason to have hope, faith, and love. Are we looking at people in this world today as Jesus saw them? Do we see them as lost sheep looking for their shepherd? It is our duty to Christ to bring people to Him, but we will not be successful if we do not see people the way Christ did. Our mission as Christians should be to do the will of Christ.

-Mark Talbert-

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