

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

February 2, 2020

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Jeff Jones
LORD'S TABLE: Jim Bell
Justin McEntire
ASSIST: Kevin Blair
Ron McInturff
Matthew Dent
Brandon Beck
CLOSING PRAYER: Gene Blair
GREETERS: Rod & Cindy Wilson
Ratis & Dorothy Yeager
CARDS: Easton Hutchings
Haze Stevenson
VISITOR GIFT/ Cyndi Moore
HOSTESSES: Kathey Peterson
SCRIPTURE READER: Jeff Jones
1 Timothy 2:3-6
NURSING HOME: Gene Blair

SUNDAY EVENING

February 2, 2020

SONG LEADER: Mark Talbert
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
Ratis Yeager
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson

WEDNESDAY EVENING

February 5, 2020

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
OPENING PRAYER: Matthew Dent
DEVOTIONAL: Jim Bell
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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Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
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THE POWER OF THE UNSEEN (4)

Like Thomas, the apostle most known for his doubts, many are shackled by their insistence that they can believe in and rely upon only that which they have personally experienced with their own senses. The issue that troubled Thomas was the reported resurrection of Christ. When pressed by his fellow-apostles, he firmly stated, "Unless I see in His hands the imprint of the nails, and put my finger into the place of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe" (John 20:25). To our benefit, eight days later he was granted the opportunity to see the risen Lord. Profoundly impacted by the reality of Christ's resurrection, He exclaimed, "My Lord and my God!" (vs. 28).

Concerning his apostleship, it was required of Thomas that he would have not only been among those who had accompanied Christ from His baptism onward, but that he also be a witness of His resurrection (Acts 1:21-22). However, what was required of Thomas in order to be an apostle is not required of us as followers of Jesus. Our belief is not dependent upon having personally seen Jesus following His resurrection. We are, however, blessed with the testimony of first-hand witnesses—not only the testimony of the 12 apostles—but, also the testimony of over 500 eye-witnesses (1 Cor. 15:5-7). This is more than sufficient evidence to establish the fact of Christ's resurrection.

Although faith is the evidence "of things not seen"; it is, nonetheless, the substance "of things hoped for" (Heb. 11:1). This means that faith is not merely "a shot in the dark" or "the crutch of the unenlightened"; it is that upon which we can confidently build our hope. Our lives are immeasurably blessed by the power of faith. Even when tested by fire, faith shines brightly toward its outcome, eternal salvation. Peter says that "though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory..." (1 Peter 1:8). What a hope is ours through faith in Christ! What power to change the world, one heart at a time!

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Pete Hines is not doing well at this time. He is in Conway Regional room 306.
- *Love Hines mother fell, broke her wrist, and wounded her head.
- *Peggy Braden fell and wounded her head. She is at Baptist in Conway.
- *We received a note from the mom of Bryce, a friend of the Jones', saying "we want to thank everyone for your continued prayers for Bryce. His surgery...was extremely successful. Barring any complication, it does not appear he will need any further reconstructive surgery. He is home, resting, and in good spirits."
- *Helen Swindle's sister, Shirley, isn't in good health at this time and her brother-in-law, Terry, will have hernia (not back) surgery on Feb. 10th. So remember both in your prayers.



REMEMBER:

Missions Day 2020 - February 2nd
*all adult classes will meet in the auditorium at 9:30am for missionary updates. We will have a potluck following morning worship. Then a 1pm services following the potluck. NO 5pm service.

AREA WIDE FELLOWSHIP

We will be HOSTING the next Area Wide on FEBRUARY 11th
*Ask Bill to see how you can help in this effort

Our Record

January 26, 2019

SUNDAY CLASS:	110
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	127
SUNDAY PM:	50
WEDNESDAY (29th):	66
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,013
YTD average:	\$4,913
YTD ahead/behind:	- \$1,949

MEN'S RETREAT

February 21st—22nd at Camp Areopagus
All men of the congregation are invited!
Sign up on the bulletin board

BIRTHDAYS

Shelly Dent	2/2
Hattie Rainey	2/4
Marilyn Watson	2/6
Lou Dillard	2/7
Darren Dent	2/7
Dave Rhyne	2/7

ANNIVERSARIES

- none -

Calendar of Events

February 2nd - Missions' Day: *be praying for our missionaries and how we can help them.*

February 4th - Seniors Ministry class *will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center with Michael Ball (Mt. Vernon) teaching Ecclesiastes chapter 11. Sign up for the potluck to follow.*

February 9th - Area Wide Youth Fellowship *at Liberty. The van will leave at 4:30pm.*

February 9th - Ted Knight *will be preaching the p.m. sermon.*

February 11th - AREA WIDE FELLOWSHIP *at 5:30pm. See Bill Davidson with any questions and how you can help.*

February 14th - 'Couples' Sweetheart Party *in the home of the Wilson's at 6:30pm. See the bulletin board for more details. RSVP.*

February 16th - Monthly Youth and Family Fellowship *in the Elliott's home after evening services.*

February 17th - Monday Night for the Master *at 6pm in the Outreach Center.*

February 18th - Seniors Ministry *at 10:30am the Outreach Center.*

February 21st - 22nd - Men's Retreat *at Camp Areopagus - see sign up sheet.*

February 21st - 22nd - Bloom Women's Conference *at Harding University. See the bulletin board for details and for more info see Tara Stevenson.*

VISITOR BAGS

for February 9th

Gina Ratliff & Edie Singleton



Haman's "Almost" Holocaust

One of the most unrighteous displays in world history to this day is the holocaust. "Holocaust" refers to a mass wipe-out of any particular subject. Anytime we think of holocaust, we think of Adolf Hitler and his responsibility for the mass execution of Jews in World War II. Jews were seen as inferior to a large part of the world for religious beliefs and for not being law-abiding citizens, especially by the Germans. While Hitler did not initially hate Jews as much as some, he was very much influenced by others to go forward with an event such as this. Two people in particular that influenced him were George Ritter von Schönerer (believed Jews should never have complete German citizenship) and Karl Lueger (Hitler learned ideas of social reform and antisemitism from him). Such influence on one person can change the world in a big way.

The holocaust reminds me of a particular instance in the book of Esther. Haman, who was second in command to the king, was displeased with Mordecai (a Jew). He went to the king to convince him that it is necessary that all Jews in the province be destroyed because they do not follow the king's laws and observe their own laws. The king gives Haman his signet ring (the king's stamp of approval) and tells Haman to do with the people as he pleases. Haman goes out and gives the order that on one particular day, the Jews will be destroyed. Esther learns of the plot for the destruction of all the Jews in the area and plans to hold a banquet for the king in an attempt for the order to be reversed. However, orders passed with the king's signet ring cannot be undone. He passes an order that allows the Jews to protect themselves in Esther 8, giving the people of the orders incentive to not attack the Jews. The influence of one person can have a huge impact, sometimes for better or worse. When Christians impact people's lives, hopefully we can ensure them it is for the better. -Mark Talbert-