

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

September 13, 2020

WELCOME: Gene Blair
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Kevin Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Darren Dent

ASSIST:

CLOSING PRAYER: Wyatt Brewer
GREETERS: **no greeters at this time**
CARDS: no card pickup at this time
VISITOR GIFT/ **no visitors**
HOSTESSES: **bags at this time**
SCRIPTURE READER:
NURSING HOME: no services

SUNDAY EVENING

September 13, 2020

SONG LEADER:
OPENING PRAYER:
LORD'S TABLE:

CLOSING PRAYER:

WEDNESDAY EVENING

September 16, 2020

SONG LEADER:
OPENING PRAYER:
DEVOTIONAL:
CLOSING PRAYER:

****Please contact Gene Blair,
if you are unable to serve.***

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS (cancelled) 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP (in person & online) 10:30 a.m.
EVENING (online only) 5:00 p.m.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE STUDY (online only) 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.
**cancelled until further notice*

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.
**cancelled until further notice*

2nd Thursday of each month:

PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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“WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT?”

We are surrounded by inventions of modern technology that amaze and attract us. These include devices that give us pause and cause us to hearken back to a time when folks would scratch their heads and say, “Who would have thought it?”

Facial recognition must surely be among these “who-would-have-thought-it” devices. Its use in security and law enforcement is making rapid advancements. But, on a personal level, who wants a cell phone that recognizes a finger print when one is available with facial recognition.

While recollection of names is a much sought after ability, knowing someone’s heart is a different matter altogether. When emphasizing our reliance upon the Spirit to reveal the mind of God, the apostle Paul used us as examples, saying, “For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so the thoughts of God no one knows except the Spirit of God” (1 Cor. 2:11). We can truly know others only to the extent that they accurately reveal themselves to us. But, even as others open themselves up to us, we need to remember that each of us are engaged in a constant struggle to understand ourselves, much less those around us. Jeremiah spoke to the issue, saying, “The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick; who can understand it?” (Jer. 17:10). The prophet goes on to identify the Lord as the One who searches the heart (vs. 11).

Beyond facial recognition is heart recognition. Aside from referencing that fist-sized organ in the chest cavity that pumps blood throughout the body, we can only judge a person’s heart by evaluating their speech and behavior. Jesus said, “Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit” (Mt. 12:33).

Heart recognition, in its fullest sense, is the business of the Father. He “sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart” (1 Sam. 16:7). On the Last Day, the Lord will judge with perfect knowledge “the thoughts and intentions of the heart” (Hb. 4:12). In accordance with the gospel, He “will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus” (Rm. 2:16; Jn. 12:48). With such awareness, let us pray with David, “Create in me a clean heart, O God...” (Ps. 51:10). And, again, “Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts; And see if there be any hurtful way in me, And lead me in the everlasting way” (Ps. 139:23–24). Heart recognition. Knowing Him or, rather, to be known by Him and welcomed into our eternal home—that will be the greatest “who-would-have-thought-it” moment of all!

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Jim Burkett is having surgery to remove his bladder on September 15th.
- *Linda McInturff is having outpatient knee replacement surgery on September 15th.
- *Continue to keep Debbie Freeman; Junior Adams; Kristie Brewer's dad, Wayne; Ratis Yeager; Marilyn Watson; Janet Rhyne; Marilyn Koone; Daniel Phillip's wife, Cena; Helen Swindle's sister, Shirley; Dorothy Tatum, and Ted & Barbara Knight in your prayers.

Wedding Shower for Will Drewry and his bride Caroline

Saturday, September 26th from 1:30pm-3:00pm in the Outreach Center

They are registered at Target, William Sonoma, Pottery Barn

*Come join us celebrate the marriage of Will & Caroline. They were married in Tennessee on Aug 1st. Since we are in an unusual time in this world right now, the elders have asked that we each sign a Covid waiver form.

*Please contact Laura Blake, Anna Wolff, Donna Allensworth, or Beverly Woody for any question you may have.

WE REJOICE!

Larry Ward was baptized
Friday, September 4th.
Let's encourage Larry in his
walk with the Lord.

September 6, 2020

SUNDAY CLASS:
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 72
SUNDAY PM:
WEDNESDAY (9th):
BUDGET: \$5,400
OFFERING: \$4,303

BIRTHDAYS:

(September 13th - September 26th)

Cleon Koone	9/13
Hope Terry	9/14
Kim Rankin	9/15
Joyce Hines	9/26
Ron McInturff	9/26

ANNIVERSARIES:

-none-

Are You a Hero of Patience?

Everyone loves a hero! We marvel at the mighty deeds of brave folks around us, and we wonder what it would take to be just like them.

Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote, "A man is a hero, not because he is braver than anyone else, but because he is brave for ten minutes longer."

How applicable this quote is to so many situations in life, especially the life of a Christian. James tells us that patience (perseverance) comes from enduring tests of our faith, which in turn leads to a complete faith (James 1:3-4).

From a biblical perspective, being a "hero" is not about being impervious to harm and temptation, but rather enduring those trials with patience.

You can be a hero, dear Christian! Remember that whatever comes your way to-day, you can endure it through Christ's strength (Phil. 4:13). You will be a hero for it!

Matt Clifton
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BIBLE QUIZ

James 2:1-4

1. Who is James speaking to in verse 1, as indicated by his use of the word "brethren?"
2. Is it a sin to practice the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ with partiality?
3. "For if there should come into your ___ a man with ___ rings and ___ apparel..."
4. Using James 2:1-4 as a guide, would it be wrong to greet a rich friend who comes to worship, and ignore a poor stranger?
5. If Christians show partiality, we become ___ with ___ thoughts

**last week's answers: tongue; useless; yes; visiting widows & orphans, keeping oneself unspotted from the world; yes*