

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

November 8, 2020

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

ASSIST:

CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson
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

November 8, 2020

SONG LEADER:
OPENING PRAYER:
LORD'S TABLE:

CLOSING PRAYER:

WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 11, 2020

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
DEVOTIONAL:
CLOSING PRAYER: Ron McInturff

**Please contact Jackie Horton,
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 (in person & online) 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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PATH TO VICTORY

Men yearn for power and jockey for position. The disciples of Christ were not immune to this temptation. They seemed always to be asking, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" (Mt. 18:1).

While great men exercise authority over their subordinates, Jesus reveals a different path to greatness. He says, "whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant..." (Mt. 20:26). Then, he points to His own example, saying, "the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many" (vs. 28). This was not a meaningless platitude, but a way of life for Jesus. Though recognized as "the Lord and the Teacher", He girded Himself with a towel that He might wash the feet of His disciples (Jn. 13:4-5, 14).

This is not political—where one might anticipate several paths to victory. There is only one path to eternal glory. The Pharisees who thought of themselves as sitting in the chair of Moses (Mt. 23:1), thought they had discovered another path—the path of self-exaltation. Putting themselves forward, they overlooked the most basic principle affecting our relationship with God—that He is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble (Jas. 4:6). The only path to greatness lies in service to God and our fellowman. Jesus says, "Whoever exalts himself shall be humbled; and whoever humbles himself shall be exalted" (Mt. 23:12).

This principle is illustrated in the life of our Lord who "existed in the form of God...but emptied Himself...", taking on the likeness and appearance of man (Ph. 2:6-7). As a man, Jesus "humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" (vs. 8). The inspired writer continues and says, "For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Ph. 2:9-11).

As "Lord of lords and King of kings" (Rev. 17:14), Jesus has been given "all authority... in heaven and on earth" (Mt. 28:18). His power as the Son of God is forever proven by His resurrection from the dead and subsequent exaltation to the right hand of the Father in heaven (Rm. 1:4; Acts 2:33, 36; Hb. 1:3). He is head over His body, the church, and must be given "first place in everything" (Col. 1:18). He is "head over all rule and authority..." (Col. 2:10). His words matter and they will be our standard of judgment on the last day (Jn. 12:48). Christ's exaltation required humility, self-sacrifice and surrender to the will of God. We dare not settle for anything less.

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

*Brittney Beck has been ill with an infection. Please pray for her recovery.

*Kristy Brewer's dad, Wayne, is in the hospital.

*Continue to keep Jim Burkett; Michael O'Brien; Debbie Freeman; Ratis Yeager; Marilyn Koone; Helen Swindle's sister, Shirley; Cindy Wilson's friend, Carolyn; Dorothy Tatum, and Ted & Barbara Knight in your prayers.

*Pick up a prayer request sheet on the table in the foyer.

PRAYERS

Ashley Ferguson responded to the invitation Sunday requesting forgiveness and prayers. Please keep Ashley and Randall in your prayers.

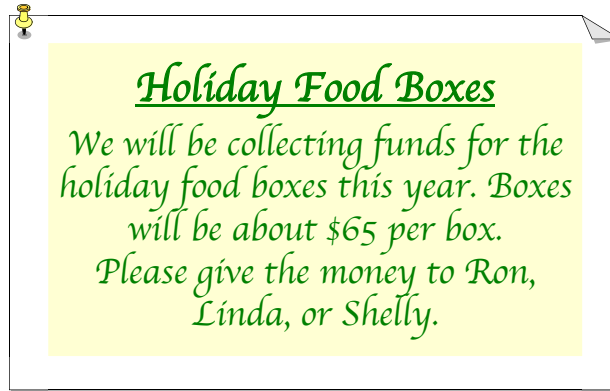
*The Men's Meeting date has changed. The new date is Sunday, 11/15 at 4pm.

We pray the extra week will allow all men time to plan and prepare to attend. We would like maximum attendance and participation. Please let Darren, Kevin, or Rick know if you have made plans to attend on Sunday, 11/15

Our Record

November 1, 2020

SUNDAY CLASS:
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 88
SUNDAY PM:
WEDNESDAY (4th): 41
BUDGET: \$5,400
OFFERING: \$4,172



BIRTHDAYS:

(November 8th - November 21st)

Ruth Garrett	11/9
Dona Dixon	11/11
Mike Brewer	11/12
Kathey Peterson	11/18

ANNIVERSARIES:

Jimmy & Merle Thomas	11/11
Kevin & Annie Blair	11/16
Tim & Laura Blake	11/20

Pandemic

COVID continues to make the headlines everyday; and we are taking extraordinary measures to protect ourselves from contracting this virus trying to extend our life here on earth. Yes, we need to be wise stewards of our health and try to live a clean life by not putting ourselves at risk with poor health habits and lack of exercise. We put a lot of effort into extending our life, but what does the Bible say about our life? Hebrews 9:27 tells us, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." We have heard the saying, "there are 2 things certain in life: death & taxes"; but I am not sure that is entirely true...

There have been 2 people that we know of who have never died, Enoch was translated and walked with God (Genesis 5:24; Hebrews 11:5) and Elijah was caught up into Heaven by a whirlwind on a chariot (2 Kings 2:1-12). That is at least 2 that cheated death (I don't know about their taxes).

We don't like to talk about it, but unless Jesus comes for his church in our lifetime, we will all face death. Fortunately, the sting of death is no longer there as a result of the finished work on the cross by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:1-4, gives us a beautiful picture of the Gospel, where it states, "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By the which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures." We can't escape the physical death, but thanks to Christ's sacrifice, we can escape the spiritual death.

I have been to many funerals, but in the simplest form there are 2 types: 1) Very sad for those lost in their sins, & 2) Happy for those who have their sins forgiven; it's up to you...

- - Jeff Jones

SENIORS MINISTRY

Ron McInturff will be speaking at the next class on November 17th

BIBLE QUIZ

James 3:13-18

1. James says wars and fights among Christians come from ___ for ___.
2. "Yet you do not ___ because you do not ___."
3. Some were asking amiss because they wanted to spend it on their ___.
4. "Do you not know that ___ with the world is ___ with God?"
5. Who does God resist?

*last week's answers: good conduct; bitter envy, self-seeking; true; pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, mercy, good fruits, without partiality, without hypocrisy; righteousness, peace