

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

January 31, 2021

WELCOME: Gene Blair
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Rck Camp
LORD'S TABLE: Jim Bell

ASSIST:

CLOSING PRAYER: Darren Dent
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

January 24, 2021

SONG LEADER: online only
OPENING PRAYER: online only
LORD'S TABLE: online only

CLOSING PRAYER: online only

WEDNESDAY EVENING

February 3, 2021

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
OPENING PRAYER: Ron McInturff
DEVOTIONAL:
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

***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.

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.

Shepherds:

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ELDERS ARE SHEPHERDS

"Elder" and "overseer" are interchangeable terms used in God's word to describe the same work in the Lord's church (1 Tim. 3:1 cf. Tit. 3:5). But, does the Bible support the idea of referring to an elder or overseer as a shepherd?

The apostle Paul warned the elders at Ephesus to "Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood" (Acts 20:28). In similar manner, Peter, exhorted his fellow elders to "shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God..." (1 Peter 5:2). That there is a close relationship between "overseer" and "shepherd" is indicated by the fact that the overseer is appointed to shepherd the flock and those who are shepherding the flock are exhorted to exercise oversight. In both passages, "shepherd" (poimaino) is a verb describing the responsibilities of overseers.

The same word, in its noun form (poimen), is used in Ephesians four to describe Christ's gifts to His church. The English Standard Version translates: "And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ..." (vss. 11-12). While "shepherds" is rendered "pastors" in a number of translations, it is the noun form of the verb "shepherd." What do we call those who shepherd the flock? We call them shepherds. "Pastors" is also an acceptable translation, but carries a different meaning in modern denominational circles.

"Shepherds", as it is translated in the English Standard Version of Ephesians 4:11, is exactly the same word used by our Lord when He referred to Himself as "the good shepherd" (Jn. 10:11). The word is used 18 times in the New Testament to refer to "one who tends flocks or herds, shepherd, a herdsman..." (Mounce's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words). While Jesus is "the good shepherd", elders are "under-shepherds" serving under "the Chief Shepherd" (1 Pet. 5:4). Elders are overseers. They are also shepherds. The three terms are used interchangeably in Scripture to describe a noble work in the Lord's body (1 Tim. 3:1).

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Rod Wilson will be taking a chemo pill for a month at which time doctors think his blood will be ready for coronary bypass surgery.
- *Our sympathy goes out to Wade Mavity in the passing of his sister, Mary Parker.
- *Ashley Ferguson needs our prayers as she heals from carpel tunnel and elbow surgery.
- *Helen Swindle’s sister, Sharion, needs continued prayers for her health.
- *Peggy Braden requested prayers for her daughter, Terri, who is having a scope to see if she’ll need open heart surgery.
- *Stephanie Phillips requested prayers for Derek as he has covid and is hoping his family doesn’t get the virus. Stephanie is having pain and would like to be remembered in prayer.
- *Robert Hayes sister and children have asked for prayers to get through this stressful situation and depression.
- *Our sympathy goes out to Linda Ward in the passing of her cousin’s husband (Bobby) that we’ve been praying for.
- *Continue to keep Lou Dillard; Debbie Freeman; Michael O’Brien; Jason Elliott; Rick Camp mother, Donna; Kathy Camp’s dad, Charles; Joyce Hines; Jim Burkett; Marilyn Koone; Dorothy Tatum, and Ted & Barbara Knight in your prayers.

With All Your Mind


Jesus said, “The great and first commandment:” “you shall love the Lord your God with all your...mind” (Matthew 22:18,17). The current spiritual battle is not fought with carnal weapons (swords, guns, bombs), but with ideas from the word of God. “For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:6-7).

The war against the lies of secular humanism will be won by truth. The battles fought with evil and wickedness will be won by righteousness and peace. The battles fought by stirring up hatred will be won by love.

Cecil May Jr.
Preacher Talk



SENIORS MINISTRY

 Tuesday, February 2nd will be the next class at 10:30am in the Outreach Center with Jason Almond teaching from Romans chapter 4. There will be a potluck after class. The sign-up sheet for the potluck is on the bulletin board.

January 24, 2021

SUNDAY CLASS:	
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	66
SUNDAY PM:	
WEDNESDAY (27th):	48
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$3,681

BIRTHDAYS:		
(January 31st - February 13th)		
Zakary Swindle	2/01	
Shelly Dent	2/02	
Darren Dent	2/07	
Lou Dillard	2/07	
Dave Rhyne	2/07	
Anne Steele	2/09	
Mary-Ellis Dunn	2/12	
Ellis Turney	2/13	
ANNIVERSARIES:		
- none -		

Be making plans and praying for our upcoming **MISSIONS DAY** **NEXT SUNDAY, February 7th at 9:30am**
 The elders have set a goal of \$20,000 above our regular contribution to go to the missionaries we support



PRAYER MEETING
 January 31st at 1:00pm
 in the Outreach Center