

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

October 10, 2021

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent
GREETERS: Jeff & Alisa Jones

SUNDAY EVENING

October 10, 2021

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Seth Fisher
LORD'S TABLE: Jim Bell
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

WEDNESDAY EVENING

October 13, 2021

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
PRAYER: Justin McEntire
DEVOTIONAL: Seth Fisher

**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:

SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month:

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

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Not Far Away

The grandest hope of every child of God has to do with the abiding presence of Christ. It is a hope which transcends this life. It is a hope which cannot be erased by the barrenness of the grave. It is a hope both "sure and steadfast" and completely reliable as an anchor in the storms of life (Heb. 6:19). Concerning our hope in the presence of Christ, Peter Marshall wrote, "Those we love are with the Lord, and the Lord has promised to be with us. If they are with Him and He is with us, they cannot be far away." That is a comforting thought when death parts us from loved ones in Christ. Several phrases in that quote are worthy of closer consideration.

First, he says, "Those we love are with the Lord...." When the apostle Paul described his own coming death, he did so by referring to it as a departure to be *with Christ* (Ph. 1:23). When Jesus told the apostles of His second coming, He said, "I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that *where I am, there you may be also*" (Jn. 14:3). Few thoughts are as glorious as the realization that we will be with Jesus forever.

In the second place, Peter Marshall goes on to say that "the Lord has promised to be with us." When He ascended into heaven, Jesus left the apostles with the commission to go into all the world with the gospel of Christ. Then, He follows up with a promise, saying, "I am *with you always*, even to the end of the age" (Mt. 28:18-20). How can Christ be seated at the right hand of the Father (Acts 2:33), and still be with His followers? The only conclusion we can draw is that He is omnipresent. In Romans 8:9, Paul says that "if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him." Christ is with His people. His Spirit lives in them (Gal. 4:6; Acts 5:32; 2:38).

A third point of interest from the quotation we have cited is found in the comparison we can make between the first two points. If faithful Christians have passed on to be with Christ, and Christ is presently with those who follow Him today; then, there isn't such a great distance between us and those who have gone on before us. Such is a comforting thought. Similar thoughts are described by the apostle Paul as he tried to comfort the brethren at Thessalonica about brethren who had passed on from this life (1 Th. 4:15-17). There will be a day of glad reunion for all who are in Christ. We enjoy the present hope that Christ is in us and the future hope that we will be with Him. Make sure that such a hope is yours today.

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

*Our sympathy goes out to Dorothy Yeager in the passing of her husband, Ratis. Please keep Dorothy and all the family in your prayers. Visitation will be Tuesday night (Oct.12th) from 6-8pm. The funeral will be Wednesday (Oct.13th) at 10am. These will both be at our building.

*Our sympathy goes out Stephanie Baker in the passing of her stepfather, Nathan Quinn. A memorial will be set for a later date.

*Reba Warnock is home with a case of the shingles.

*Stephanie Phillips will have her leg removed, above the knee, on November 3rd at UAMS. Continued prayers and thank you for all the prayers that have been offered up on her behalf.

*Dave & Janet Rhyne need prayers concerning health issues.

*Terrie Shoemaker broke her leg. Prayers for a quick recovery.

*Continue to keep Lou Dillard; Linda McInturff's brother, Joe Williams; and Kristie Brewer's friend's dad in your prayers.

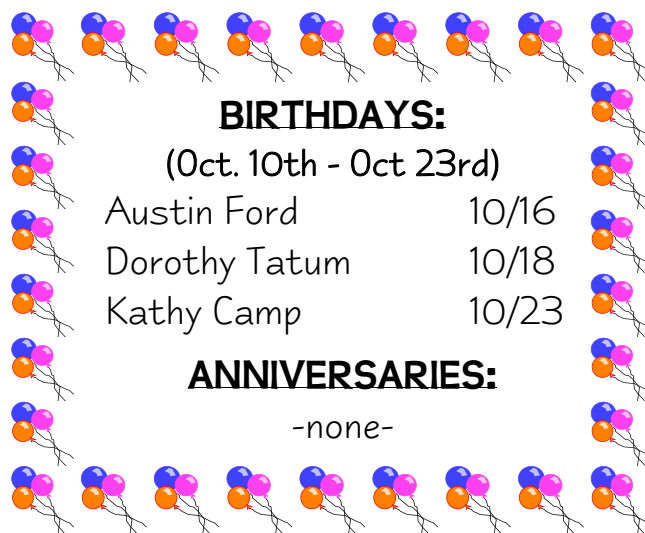


MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, Oct. 16th
at 8am in the Outreach Center
**signup at the bulletin board in the hallway*

Singles, couples, and young families will be getting together Saturday, October 23rd. More details to come.

We are all invited to a
CHILI COOK-OFF
Saturday, November 6th
beginning at 5pm in the Outreach Center. Be looking for the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway.



BIRTHDAYS:
(Oct. 10th - Oct 23rd)

Austin Ford	10/16
Dorothy Tatum	10/18
Kathy Camp	10/23

ANNIVERSARIES:
-none-

Our Record

October 3, 2021

SUNDAY CLASS:	72
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	101
SUNDAY PM:	63
WEDNESDAY (6th):	69
BUDGET:	\$4,500
OFFERING:	\$3,501

Spotlight on Missions

Karen and Stephen Ashcraft send their love and greetings along with their most recent report about the work in West Africa. In spite of obstacles thrown in their path by the pandemic, the work continues both in the schools and in personal evangelism. Read the full report on the missions board.

We received a very encouraging and informative report from Vladimir about the status of the work he is doing in Russia. In addition to their work in Ukhta and other places, they are holding studies "at the House of Culture in Ust-Ushta." Read about their work and pray for their protection and success. The full report is posted on the missions bulletin board.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Jim and Martha Bell
on the birth of their newest grandson, Kenneth Reed.

He was born
Sunday, October 3rd
weighing 6lbs, 15oz.

AREA-WIDE SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, October 12th at 5:30pm in the Outreach Center. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board with details about the meal for 60-80 people we will be hosting. Please add what you will be bringing.



SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS

October 19th at 10:30am is the next class with Jeff Jones as the speaker. No potluck.

Word of the Week:
"LOVE"



Monthly Food Committee Leader

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*Facing Life's Issues of Grief with Ron Williams and Don Williams
December 3-5, 2021
Greenbrier church of Christ Outreach Center*

