

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

November 21, 2021

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
LORD'S TABLE: David Woody
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Blair
GREETERS: Judy Moody & Gina Ratliff

SUNDAY EVENING

November 21, 2021

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Rick Camp
LORD'S TABLE: Ron McInturff
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 24, 2021

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
PRAYER: Gene Blair
DEVOTIONAL: Bill Davidson

**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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FINDING JOY

In a world bent on the pursuit of pleasure rather than truth, children of God must learn to distinguish between legitimate pleasure and sinful indulgence. We would not be tempted to sin if there were no pleasure in it (cf. Hb. 11:25). But the pleasures of sin come as a high cost.

If we would avoid making worldly pleasure our purpose in life, we must learn to find joy in serving the Lord. Do our lives testify to the presence of joy in Christian service? If not, then, this might explain our ineffectiveness in reaching out to others. The gospel is good news! Paul says, "Rejoice in the Lord always and again I will say rejoice!" (Ph. 4:4). The fruit of the Spirit includes joy (Gal. 5:22).

Where do we find joy? Joy is a by-product of our relationship with Jesus. All spiritual blessings are "in Christ" (Eph. 1:3). Christian joy is a spiritual blessing. Therefore, one must be "in Christ" to experience true joy. As long as we are on the outside looking in, we will find joy an elusive dream.

Joy is the result of following God's plan. It is characteristic of a life that reaches out beyond our own personal interests and seeks the well-being of others (Ph. 2:3-4). Jesus reminds us that "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

Joy is enhanced by the common love we have for one another in Christ. It is anchored in our hope of heaven – a place of eternal joy in the presence of God.

At the end of his laborious struggle to find meaning in life, Solomon came to understand that the whole duty of man is to "fear God and keep His commandments" (Eccl. 12:13). This is the key to joy: realizing that our purpose in life is to please our Maker.

Seek God first. Learn to tell the difference between sinful and legitimate pleasure. Get busy serving God and following after His commands. These are the things that make life a joy.

-- Glen Elliott --

Prayer Requests

*Keep Jerry and Ruth Garrett's grandson, Bryon, in your prayers as he heals from an appendectomy and having his spleen removed.

*Debbie Freeman is having a scan the first of the week. Please remember her in your prayers.

*Continue to keep Marilyn Koone; Stephanie Phillips; Michelle Koone; Mary Mix; Curtis Terry; Justin Vandaveer; Ted & Barbara Knight; Dave & Janet Rhyne; and Linda McInturff's brother, Joe, in your prayers.

LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH POTLUCKS

We will not have a potluck on November 28th or December 26th but will still have our 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service on these dates.

Word of the Week:
"RIGHTEOUSNESS"

Devotional Service

Wednesday night, Nov 24th we will have a devotional service.
No classes.

COMMUNION

Thank you for your input about how to proceed with partaking the communion. We will be keeping it the way we've been doing it.

November 14, 2021

SUNDAY CLASS: 61
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 99
SUNDAY PM: 48
WEDNESDAY (17th): 71
BUDGET: \$4,500
OFFERING: \$4,149

BIRTHDAYS:

(Nov. 21st - Dec. 4th)

Jennifer Dunn 11/22
Sandra Blair 11/23
Ted Peterson 11/30
Jerry Garrett 12/02
Ada Blair 12/03

ANNIVERSARIES:

Tom & Anne Steele 11/28

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 3th-5th - Facing Life's Issues of Grief Seminar (details below)

December 7th - Senior Ministry Class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. David Riley from the Mars Hill congregation will be teaching on Romans chapter 13. There will be a potluck—signup please. No class December 21st.

December 9th - Ladies monthly group meeting at 6pm.

December 11th - Ladies monthly group meeting at 10am.

December 11th - Packing Holiday Boxes at 10am.

December 12 - Snowman Swap Party Sunday afternoon, December 12th from 2:00-4:00pm in the Outreach Center. Please bring a \$10-\$15 snowman gift and a snack to share. Go by the bulletin board to signup and pickup a reminder sheet on the ladies table.

THANK YOU CARD - Please go by the bulletin board in the hallway to see a thank you card from Laura Blake

HOLIDAY BOXES

We are looking to help 94 families this year with a cost of \$70 per box. Any donations are appreciated. Give those to one of the elders, the McInturff's, or Shelly. We plan to pack the boxes December 11th at 10am in the Outreach Center and will need help.

PANTRY ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER:

canned soup, jiffy mix, rice, canned vegetables

November

Monthly Food Committee Leader

Alisa Jones
501-303-8921

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

**Preregistering with the office would be helpful*