PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

August 21, 2022

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Seth Fisher
LORD'S TABLE: Mike Brewer
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes
GREETERS: Lou Dillard & Melissa Hall

SUNDAY EVENING August 21, 2022

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Seger
LORD'S TABLE: Seth Fisher
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING August 24, 2022

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
PRAYER: Jeff Jones
DEVOTIONAL: Robert Hayes

*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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9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. E-mail: office@gbcofc.com Published by the church of Christ meeting at 12 Wilson Farm Road in Greenbrier, AR 72058. For more information call 501-679-3647 August 21, 2022 E-mail: office@gbcofc.com August 21, 2022

ACCEPTABLE WORSHIP

Greenbrier Bulletin

Religious people these days are clamoring for more exciting and appealing ways to conduct worship services. Lost in the shuffle is that fact that we do not determine what is acceptable worship. We merely recognize what God has authorized in His inspired word. Sadly enough, in an effort to attract larger crowds, some have turned their backs on God's word in preference to human wisdom. While there are scriptural ways of enhancing the effectiveness of worship, the get—them-in-the-building-at-all-costs-philosophy is filled with pitfalls that undermine the mission of the church for which Jesus died (Lk. 19:10; Acts 20:28). Not everything done in the name of worship is acceptable to God. Nadab and Abihu lost their lives because they sought to incorporate into their worship that which was unauthorized (Lev. 10:1-3 cf. Ex. 30:34-38).

In Colossians 3:16-17, Paul writes: "Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all the name [by the authority] of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father." So, in the context of dealing specifically with an item of worship, singing, the inspired writer says that whatever we do must be done by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respecting the authority of Jesus Christ means that we will not add to or take away from His regulations for worship. Burning incense along with prayer or playing instruments along with singing are additions to God's instructions regarding worship. Jesus said, "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). God has regulated worship in the word of truth (John 17:17). By studying His word, we can recognize acceptable worship. Everything else offered to God in worship is rejected simply because it has not been authorized by Jesus Christ.

God knows how He want to be worshiped. He has given instructions as to how we must worship Him acceptably. Any changes in worship procedure must fall within the bounds of God's inspired word. Otherwise, our worship experience becomes little more than a sounding board for our own selfish preferences. May God help us as we seek to worship and serve Him alone! (Matt. 4:10).

--Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

*Margaret Adams will have a biopsy Thursday, Aug. 25th at 9am. Keep her in your prayers.

*Ronald and Ginger Beene's son, Heath, had cornea replacement surgery Thursday.

*Continue to keep Tiffany Guillen's husband, Elias; Dorothy Yeager; Merle Thomas' husband, Jimmy; Amy Martin's mom, Brenda; Debbie Freeman; Marilyn Koone; Jim Burkett; Helen Swindle's sister, Sharion, and friend, Sue; David Woody's nephews, Nick and Blake; and Dave & Janet Rhyne in your prayers.

THANK YOU CARDS

go by the bulletin board in the hallway to see thank you cards from James & Patsy Burkett and Joy Jones

Exciting News!

A special series of lessons are planned for October 9-12th. David Powell will be speaking on important issues related to living for Christ in today's world. More details to follow.



OFFERING:

AUGUST Food Committee Leader

Anne Blair 870-831-9500

August 14, 2022

SUNDAY CLASS: 66
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 104
SUNDAY PM: 55
WEDNESDAY (17th): 79
BUDGET: \$4,500



UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 24th - Our Wednesday night Summer Series speaker is George Hulett.

AUGUST 25th - The Senior Ministry Class plans to eat @ 11:00am at Arrow's Cafe & BBQ located at 9 Pangburn Rd., Heber Springs, AR. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please sign-up if you are going and put a checkmark by your name if you need a ride. We plan to leave the church building at 10:00am. Ron & Linda McInturff will serve dessert at their house after the lunch. Their address is: 55 Sartain Rd. Quitman, AR.

AUGUST 26th – 27th - Sewing – Healing Hands Retreat at Camp Areopagus. See the bulletin board for more details—if you bring items, place them in the old fellowship room.

AUGUST 28th - Last Sunday of the month service: after morning worship we will have a potluck followed by a 1pm afternoon service—no 5pm service.

<u>SEPTEMBER 13th</u> - We are ALL invited to the Areawide Fellowship beginning at 6pm in the Outreach Center. There will be singing and a meal. Since we are hosting this, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for the meal listing chili, soup, salad, desserts, drinks, other food items and paper items needed. We plan to serve 90 - 100 people.

SEPTEMBER 18th - Elders' Update.



Word of the Week: "CHRIST"

PANTRY ITEMS:

Jiffy Mix, Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Oatmeal (box of packets), & Rice (1 pound bags)

BIBLE QUIZ: Revelation 2:1-7

- 1. "These things says He who holds the __ stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden __:"
- 2. Jesus knew three specific qualities of the church in Ephesus. What were they?
- 3. "And you have __ those who say they are __ and are not, and have found them liars;"
- 4. Jesus told them to __ and do their first __.
- 5. "To him who __ I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the _ of God."

Last week's answers: saw, dead; afraid, First, Last, forevermore; Hades and Death; are, after this; angels of the seven churches, the seven churches