SCHEDULE OF SERVICES **PRIVILEGED TO SERVE** В V SUNDAY MORNING Ε November 27, 2022 WELCOME: Gene Blair Jeff Jones SONG LEADER: В Jim Bell OPENING PRAYER: LORD'S TABLE: **Darren Dent** S CLOSING PRAYER: **Robert Hayes** Jerry & Ruth Garrett GREETERS: E SUNDAY EVENING November 27, 2022 Ľ Rod Wilson SONG LEADER: **OPENING PRAYER:** Gene Blair <u>N</u> LORD'S TABLE: Kevin Blair CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair <u>C</u> WEDNESDAY EVENING G November 30, 2022 SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher PRAYER: Austin Ford Kevin Blair DEVOTIONAL: *Please contact Jackie Horton.

if you are unable to serve.

SUNDAY:		
BIBLE CLASS		9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP		10:30 a.m.
EVENING		5:00 p.m.
LAST SUNDAY	OF THE MONTH	
WEDNESDAY:		
BIBLE STUDY		7:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:		
SENIOR MINIST	RY CLASS	10:30 a.m.
2nd Thursday of each month:		
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THE HELP OF MY COUNTENANCE

Exactly how feelings translate into facial expression is a mystery science is only beginning to understand. However, we all can appreciate the power of facial expression. We are drawn to a warm smile, but feel apprehension toward a bitter scowl. Communication is the lifeblood of any relationship and the highest percentage of such communication is nonverbal. Such nonverbal communication includes, among other things, facial expression. As Christians, we must remember that communicating a positive image to the world requires more than just language-it also includes a face etched with the love, compassion, and joy of Jesus Christ. While we may not be able to control the looks with which we were born, we do have some power to regulate the expressions that adorn our faces.

But, sometimes a happy face seems out of place. There are times when, in spite of all our best efforts, we just cannot maintain a genuine smile. Job said, "I will leave off my sad countenance and be cheerful" (Job 9:27). Yet, because of the pain and sorrow associated with his circumstances, he could not maintain a happy disposition. When Cain was sad about his rejected offering, God told him to do what was right and his countenance would be lifted up (Gen. 4:5-7). His sin had to be mastered before he could again experience the joy of worshipping God in an acceptable manner. When the Rich Young Ruler heard Christ's demands for self-sacrifice, his "face fell, and he went away grieved..." (Lk. 9:51). A smile would not have been appropriate in light of his refusal to count the cost of discipleship. James touched on godly sorrow when he told his readers to "be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom" (Jas. 4:9). And so, we see that a smile is not always possible or appropriate.

However, we should also keep in mind that we are ultimately responsible for the expressions on our faces. Isaiah condemned the rebellious people of Jerusalem and Judah saying that both their speech and their actions were against the Lord. Then he added these words: "The expression of their faces bears witness against them..." (Is. 3:8-9). Whether it was a proud look or a look of shameless defiance, they were responsible for their facial expressions. Why? Because what was on their face revealed what was in their hearts. In this case, it was altogether a negative thing. But the opposite is also true as is affirmed by Solomon who said "A joyful heart makes a cheerful (continued inside)



Prayer Requests

*Remember all those who have lost loved ones recently in your prayers: the Koone family, the Knight family, Helen Swindle's sister's family, and Rick Camp's family. *Whitney, a friend of Linda McInturff's daughter, has a 5 month old baby with a cancerous tumor on his liver. Please pray for the family and baby Warren. They are at Children's Hospital.

*Keep Jason Elliott in your prayers as he waits for test/procedure results. *Easton Hutchings great grandmother, Dorothy, has been diagnosed with cancer.

*Continue to keep Shelly Carter's friend, Jenna; Ron McInturff's brother-in-law, Mike; Ruth Garrett; Margaret Adams; Dorothy Yeager; Helen Swindle's sister, Sharion, and friend, Sue; David Woody's nephews, Nick and Blake; and Dave & Janet Rhyne in your prayers.

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face..." (Prov. 15:13). Herein lies the key to a happy countenance: Fill your heart with spiritual treasures. Let your mind dwell on things that are good and positive and noble (Ph. 4:8). In this way, God will bless your life and, who knows, one day, with David, you may praise God as "the help of [your] countenance" (Ps. 42:11; 43:5). -- Glen Elliott --



UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 27th – Last Sunday of the month so we will have morning worship with a 1pm afternoon service instead of a 5pm service. No potluck.

DECEMBER 4th - Snowman Swap from 2-4pm in the Outreach Center. All ladies are invited. Bring a snowman item for exchange (\$20 or less spending limit). Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

DECEMBER 6th – The Senior Adult Ministry will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Bill Green will be teaching from Hebrews chapter 9. There will be a potluck following class so signup on the bulletin board in the hallway.

DECEMBER 10th - Packing Holiday Boxes will begin at 10am in the Outreach Center.



FOOD BOXES

We have enough funds donated for 86 boxes so far! Thank you for your generosity. Remember to give your donations to Ron and Linda McInturff. Any amount is appreciated.

BIBLE QUIZ: Revelation 7:1-8

1. Verse one mentions three things that are numbered "four." What are they?

2. "Then I saw another ____ ascending from the east, having the ____ of the living God."

3. "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the ___ till we have ___ the servants of our God on their ___."

4. How many were sealed?

5. From how many tribes?

Last week's answers: earthquake, black; stars, drops, mighty; the sky; rocks, mountains; wrath, stand