

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

April 30, 2023

WELCOME: Kevin Blair
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Darren Dent
Matthew Dent
Joshua Whitley
Austin Ford
CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
GREETERS: Marty Leonard &
David Woody

SUNDAY EVENING

April 30, 2023

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Ron McInturff
LORD'S TABLE: Jim Bell
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING

May 3, 2023

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
PRAYER: Rick Camp
DEVOTIONAL: Kevin Blair

**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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GIVE OR TAKE?

Two basic philosophies of life boil down to a single question: "Are you a giver or a taker?" Does your life revolve around getting or giving? We live in an age of entitlement. Many have been deceived into believing that we are the center of the universe – that our perceived needs must be met by those around us – by the government, by the church, and by society itself. If slighted, overlooked, or offended in any way, we have been conditioned to believe that it is our right to take by force what we believe should rightfully belong to us. This godless, anarchist behavior is symptomatic of a moral and spiritual sickness infecting our society with greater and greater pervasiveness and, left to run its course unchecked, will bring an end to what was once was a great nation.

But, these rather ominous tones can be quickly brought into balance by reflecting upon the true source of every blessing, God Himself. Scripture reminds us that "Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow" (Jas. 1:17). God displays His love and generosity by giving what inherently belongs to Him (Ps. 24:1). The government has nothing to give but what has been received from the populace through taxation. Governing authorities exist for the purpose of punishing evildoers, including those who recklessly and violently abandon moral restraint in pursuit of their own desires (Rm. 13:1-6). When a government ignores its sacred stewardship, it will answer to God in real time.

While Christians live in the world, they are not of the world (Jn. 15:19; 1 Jn. 5:19). While we acknowledge having been given life and breath and all things from His Majesty in the heavens (Acts 17:28), as His children we want to develop a give rather than take mentality. As stewards of the manifold grace of God, we serve others through the strength and resources of God (1 Pet. 4:10-11). This makes for a happy, joyous, and purposeful life. Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). This is the kind of life He will reward when we stand before Him in judgment (Mt. 25:34-36). Give it some thought. Are you a giver or a taker?

-- Glen Elliott --

Prayer Requests

*Linda McInturff's thyroid surgery went well on Thursday. She is home recovering.
*Our sympathy goes out to the Whitley family in the passing of Jason's grandmother, Mozelle. Keep this family in your prayers.
*Congratulations to Gina and Jim Ratliff on the birth of their granddaughter, Della Kay, born to Kristen and Stephen Dodson, weighing 6lbs 7oz. Safe travels for Gina and Jim.
*Continue to keep the Jones's friend, Charles; Michael Gilbow's mother, Anita; Jerry and Ruth Garrett; Martha Bell; Donna Beck; the Burkett's great-granddaughter, Addison; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Bob Gossett; Shelly Carter's friend, Jenna Daughtry; Helen Swindle's nephew Billy; Terrie Shoemaker; Nora Smith; Margaret Adams; Dorothy Yeager also Dorothy's niece, Marcine; and Brenda Dowdy's daughter, Sandy, in your prayers.



Pulpit Preview:
April 30th
AM -- Real People:
John the Baptist
PM -- Devotional
May 7th
AM -- Jesus Gets Real with Temptation
PM -- SSFAL 4: Have Faith Despite Your Doubts

Bible Drill Memory Verse:
"My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth."
Psalms 121:2

PANTRY ITEMS FOR APRIL:
Jiffy Mix and Soup



Food Committee Leader
Melissa Hall
501-336-4800

April 23, 2023

SUNDAY CLASS:	79
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	111
SUNDAY PM:	59
WEDNESDAY (26th):	79
BUDGET:	\$4,500
OFFERING:	\$4,233

Our Record

BIRTHDAYS:
April 30th - May 13th

Hudson Ford	5/04
Nell Lee	5/05
Richard Murray	5/11
Laura Blake	5/12
Colleen Elliott	5/12

ANNIVERSARIES:

Rod & Cindy Wilson	5/13
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UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 30th - Last Sunday of the month service: potluck after morning worship followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service. No Bible Drill.

MAY 2nd - The Area Wide Seniors Gathering will begin at 10:30am at Camp Areopagus, 53 Iroquois Lane, Conway, AR. Keith Almond will be the speaker. Lunch will be provided. If you plan to attend, see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway. Please read and follow the instructions. Church van will leave at 9:30am.

MAY 3rd - VBS meeting in the old fellowship hall after services.

MAY 7th - Senior Recognition after evening services. We will be honoring Emma Leonard, Tate Stacks, and Landon Sullinger. *If you plan to attend, sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway.*

MAY 20th - Door Knocking at 10:00am.

MAY 21st-24th - **GOSPEL MEETING with Jason Jackson—FAITH UNDER FIRE.** We will have a potluck after morning services on the 21st. Sunday evening service will begin at 7:00pm as well as Monday– Wednesday services.

May 28th - Last Sunday of the month service: we will not have a potluck after morning services but meet back at 1:00pm for our afternoon service. No 5:00pm service.

JULY 23rd-25th - **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. Mark you calendars now!**

SEPTEMBER 23rd - **LADIES DAY with Cathy Powell.**

BIBLE QUIZ: Revelation 16:1-7

- Where did the voice from the temple tell the angels to pour the bowls of the wrath of God?
- "...a foul and loathsome __ came upon the men who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his __."
- "Then the third angel poured out his bowl on the __ and springs of __, and they became __."
- "You are __, O Lord, The One who is and who was and who is to be, Because You have __ these things."
- "Even so, Lord God Almighty, __ and righteous are Your __."

Answers from last week: temple, opened; plagues; false; living, wrath; smoke, power