# **PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

#### SUNDAY MORNING July 23, 2023

WELCOME: Kevin Blair
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Seth Fisher
LORD'S TABLE: David Woody

Josh Whitley Robert Hayes

Larry Ward

CLOSING PRAYER: Rod Wilson

GREETERS: Judy Moody & Gina Ratliff

#### SUNDAY EVENING July 23, 2023

SONG LEADER: VBS
OPENING PRAYER: VBS
LORD'S TABLE: VBS
CLOSING PRAYER: VBS

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING July 26, 2023

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher PRAYER: Rick Camp DEVOTIONAL: Jeff Jones

\*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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## **GREENBRIER CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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# **BURIED WITH A BIBLE**

Years ago, when the tomb of Constantine was discovered, archaeologists found his remains situated in a most unusual manner. Apparently, he had been positioned sitting on his throne with a crown on his head, a scepter in his right hand, and a Bible on his lap. What they discovered was that his crown had fallen from its place, his scepter from its bony clasp, but, the Bible was still in his lap opened to Matthew 16:26: "For what will a man be profited, if he gains the whole world, and forfeits his soul?"

God's word deserves our utmost respect and devotion. David prayed, "Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You" (Ps. 119:11). Jeremiah spoke of a time when God's people would have His teachings written on their hearts (Jer. 31:31-33). When God's word is written on our hearts, His teaching will be put into practice in our lives. Only an open Bible can accomplish this purpose. What good is owning a genuine, hand-sewn leather edition of the Bible if it is never opened and read? Many Bibles, opened on Sunday, are unused the rest of the week. They might as well be left on the pew until the next Sunday. Too many have buried their Bibles in a grave of misplaced priorities. One day, when their tomb is uncovered, their beautiful, seldom-used Bibles might as well be opened to Matthew 7:23: "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness."

It will be too late to open the Bible when we have been laid to rest. Hebrews 9:27 reminds us "it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment...." Diligent study and faithful application of God's word in this life are necessary for His approval in the next (2 Tim. 2:15; Jas. 1:25). It may be a fitting gesture for a faithful Christian to be buried with his Bible; but the thing which must first be buried is the old man of complacency and neglect. That must happen in this life as we open our hearts to the power of God's word, remembering that it is not a Bible enclosed in our coffin, but a transformed life that reminds others that our hope was grounded in Jesus and His word.

-- Glen Elliott --

# Prayer Requests

\*Our sympathy goes out to Easton in the passing of his great-grandmother, Dorothy Ryall. Keep Easton and his family in your prayers.

\*Vladimir suffered a severe stroke and is not expected to make it. Please pray for him and his daughter, Inna.

\*Continue to keep Nora Smith; Dubby & Terrie Wilcox; Dorothy Yeager; Jerry & Ruth Garrett; Cindy Wilson; Bob and Becky Gossett; Edith Seger's sister, Ann: Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's friend, Jenna Daughtry; and Margaret Adams in your prayers.

# Pulpit Preview:

## July 23rd

AM -- Jesus Gets Real about Social Relationships (2)



PM -- VBS

# July 30th

AM -- Jesus Gets Real about Wealth and Poverty

PM -- Devotional



OFFERING:

Food Committee Leader Martha Bell 501-472-9515

# July 16, 2023

SUNDAY CLASS: 74
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 86
SUNDAY PM: 53
WEDNESDAY (19th): 80
BUDGET: \$4,500

# **SUMMER SERIES**

Our summer series speaker for Wednesday, July 26th is Tyler Johnson. His lesson is "Disciples Must Love God Most"

# **BIRTHDAYS:** July 23rd - August 5th 7/23 Isaac Martin 7/25 Linda Ray Brooke Trout 7/27 Stephanie Phillips 7/29 7/31 Charlene Parish 8/01 Anna Wolff Melanie Whitley **ANNIVERSARIES:** Ronald & Ginger Beene

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## JULY 23rd-25th - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. Mark your calendar!

JULY 30th - Last Sunday of the month: we will have a fellowship dinner after morning worship followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service.

AUGUST 1st - The Senior Adult Ministry class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Dewayne Butler from Higden will be teaching from John chapter 2. Sign up for the potluck that will follow.

THANK YOU - from David and Donna Redding (friends of the Terry's).

David is the one for whom many have prayed concerning his
double lung transplant. He is doing very well.



# BIBLE QUIZ: Revelation 19:17-21

- 1. "Then I saw an angel standing in the \_\_\_; and he cried with a \_\_\_ voice..."
- 2. Who was the angel speaking to?
- 3. "And I saw the \_\_\_, the \_\_\_ of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army."
- 4. The beast and the \_\_ prophet were captured.

"These two were cast \_\_ into the lake of fire burning with \_\_."

Answers from last week: white; Faithful, True; false (flame of fire); blood, Word; mouth, sword