PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING April 21, 2024

WELCOME: **Darren Dent** SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones Seth Fisher **OPENING PRAYER:** Rod Wilson LORD'S TABLE:

Ron McInturff Jim Bell

Josh Whitley

Matthew Dent CLOSING PRAYER:

Robert & Jenni Hayes **GREETERS:**

SUNDAY EVENING April 21, 2024

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson

OPENING PRAYER: Cayden Leonard

LORD'S TABLE: Kevin Blair David Woodv CLOSING PRAYER:

WEDNESDAY EVENING April 24, 2024

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher PRAYER: Mike Seger Glen Elliott **DEVOTIONAL:**

*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 & 4th TUESDAYS:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month: PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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Mental Self-Discipline

An undirected mind invites spiritual disaster. When thinking for ourselves is too much trouble, we allow others, who do not have our best interests at heart, to think for us and, like untethered balloons, we allow our minds to drift along in whatever direction the wind may be blowing. The path of least resistance begins in the mind and will lead to destruction (Matthew 7:13-14). We must not allow the world to do our thinking for us.

Directly or indirectly, the New Testament is filled with admonitions to practice mental self-discipline. The apostle Paul writes the Colossians, saying, "Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth" (Colossians 3:1-2). Again, in his letter to the church at Philippi, he writes, "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things" (Philippians 4:8). Then, again, the inspired writer of Hebrews encourages mental self-discipline, saying, "Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:1-2). These are but a few of many passages in the Scriptures that exhort us to practice mental self-discipline.

It is possible to focus our minds in the wrong direction. So, as we set our minds, make sure that we set our focus in the direction of God and His word. In many ways, no direction is as harmful as the wrong direction and, in the end, amounts to the same thing. "The difference between misery and happiness depends on what we do with our attention" (Sharon Salzberg). We have a choice in the direction of our thoughts. Choose thoughts of God. Immerse yourself in His word and "discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness" (1 Timothy 4:7).

-- Glen Elliott --

Prayer Requests

*Mike Seger had surgery Thursday. He is doing well.

*Ron McInturff's brother-in-law, Mike Oury, is in the hospital. He had a stroke and has now found out his cancer has come back.

*Bob Gossett is home from the hospital.

*Continue to keep Luther Cummings; Brook Trout's friend, Sarah; Jonas Fisher's friend, Landry; Jason Elliott; Robin Linn's nephew, Steven; Linda Black; Terri Massa; Jim Bell's friend, Linda; Kathy Camp's mother; Nora Smith; Bobby Vaught; Margaret Adams; Melba Sharp; Terrie Wilcox; Dorothy Yeager's niece, Marcine Owens; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's dad, Jack Horton, and friend, Jenna Daughtry; and Helen Swindle's, Sue, in your prayers.

Pulpit Preview:

April 21st



AM -- Because He First Loved

PM -- Words of Salvation

THANK YOU CARD:

Go by the bulletin board in the hallway to see a thank you card from Marty Leonard & family.

PREPARE COMMUNION:

<u>April 21st</u> Linda Ward April 28th
Melanie Whitley





OFFERING:

Food Committee Leader

Melissa Hall 501-336-4800

April 14, 2024

SUNDAY CLASS: 90
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 100
SUNDAY PM: 67
WEDNESDAY (17th): 66
BUDGET: \$4,600

BIRTHDAYS:
April 21st - May 4th
Debbie Freeman 4/21
Rod Wilson 4/29
Hudson Ford 5/4

ANNIVERSARIES:
Justin & Ashleigh McEntire 4/27

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>APRIL 21st</u> - There is a BABY SHOWER for Dylan Leonard beginning at 3:00pm in the Outreach Center.

APRIL 23rd - Ladies Bible class at 10:30am in the Outreach Center.

APRIL 28th - Last Sunday of the month: after morning worship we will have a fellowship meal followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm service.

<u>MAY 7th</u> - Area-Wide Senior Adult Ministry Gathering at Camp Areopagus at 10:30am. Glen Elliott will be the speaker. Lunch will be provided. We are in charge of desserts for the meal. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please put your name and what dessert you will be bringing. If you need a ride, please put your name and a check mark under NEED A RIDE. The van will leave the church building at 9:30am.

BABY SHOWER

Sunday, April 21st at 3pm for Dylan Leonard in the Outreach Center. Cayden & Dylan are having a boy and are registered on Amazon.

Pantry Items for April

Oatmeal, Jiffy Mix, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper

*place items in the black buckets in the hallway

BIBLE QUIZ: Titus 1:1-9 (skipped the first of chapter one last week)

- 1. "Paul, a __ of God and an __ of Jesus Christ..."
- 2. Paul says God cannot ___.
- 3. "For this reason I left you in ___, that you should set in order the things that are ___, and appoint ___ in every city as I commanded you..."
- 4. "For a __ must be __, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not given to wine, not violent, not __ for money..."
- 5. An elder should be faithful in the word so as to __ and __ those who contradict. Answers to last week's quiz: circumcision; households, gain; sharply; pure, defiled; profess, deny