

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

August 21, 2016

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
LORD'S TABLE: Michael Gilbow
Tom Barkley
ASSIST: Merrell Story
Jacob Riela
Albert Hall
Clayton Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Spencer Cromwell
GREETERS: Merrell & Patsy Story
Shannon & Jennifer Whitley
CARDS: Jonathan Rawls
Jag McNulty
VISITOR GIFT/ Beverly Woody
HOSTESSES: Doni McInturff
SCRIPTURE READER: Zac Gordey
Rev. 21:23, 22:5

SUNDAY EVENING

August 21, 2016

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Wyatt Brewer
LORD'S TABLE: Patrick Rawls
Spencer Cromwell
CLOSING PRAYER: Travis Moody

WEDNESDAY EVENING

August 24, 2016

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Randy Gordey
DEVOTIONAL: Michael Gilbow
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent

****Please contact Mike Wolff
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.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

Elders:

Gene Blair 501-499-5868 Darren Dent 501-581-3052
Gary Bradford 501-626-3232 Rod Wilson 501-328-7888

Deacons:

Kevin Barley 501-472-4852 Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Jarrod DeValle 501-470-8710
(benevolence, pantry) (education & teachers)

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909
(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(building & grounds)

Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999
Spencer Cromwell 731-438-1206

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THE RIGHT WORD AT THE RIGHT TIME

Benjamin Franklin is attributed to having said the following: "Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment." Who among us has not wrestled with the proper use of the tongue? James says that "no one can tame the tongue; it is a restless evil and full of deadly poison" (Jas. 3:8). Surrendering to the power of the tongue is not the solution. Any person who thinks himself to be religious must get a handle on his tongue. Otherwise, his religion is worthless (Jas. 1:26).

Though one of life's great challenges, we must strive to use the gift of speech in a way that glorifies God. Solomon poetically describes the beauty of right speech in these familiar words: "Like apples of gold in settings of silver is a word spoken in right circumstances" (Prov. 25:11). But there is also the potential for tremendous harm. Speech can be a two-edged sword. "Death and life are in the power of the tongue" (Prov. 18:21).

James pointed out inconsistencies in speech, saying that with our tongue "we bless our Lord and Father; and with it we curse men, who have been made in the likeness of God; from the same mouth come both blessing and cursing." Then, he adds, "My brethren, these things ought not to be this way" (Jas. 3:9-10).

The tongue is a tool of inestimable value in building relationships. With the tongue we praise God. With the tongue we tell of His love. With the tongue we lift up the downtrodden. With the tongue we give hope to the discouraged. Our speech is a sacred stewardship that needs constant attention. Any tool, misused and damaged, will become ineffective. When the tongue is used for deceit, it will become useless in sharing the truth. When the tongue is used to tear down others behind their back, it will hardly be effective in the encouragement of others.

Saying the right thing in the right situation is a skill acquired with determined effort. Paul says, "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned, as it were, with salt, so that you may know how you should respond to each person" (Col. 4:6). A similar admonition is found in Ephesians 4:29 where he writes, "Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear." Appropriate use of speech is not the impossible dream. Jesus provides the key, saying that "the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart. The good man out of his good treasure brings forth what is good; and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings forth what is evil" (Matt. 12:34-35). Concentrate on what you allow into your heart and you will better control what comes out of your mouth. --Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

Care group 2 (Dent) -

Saturday, August 27th at 5:30pm
in the Wilson's home - see signup sheet

Care group 4 (Wolff) -

Sunday, August 28th after morning
services in the fellowship room
potluck meal - see signup sheet

Care group 5 (Hayes) -

Sunday, August 28th after evening
services in the home of the Elliott's -
finger foods are on the menu

PANTRY ITEMS for AUGUST:

canned corn & green beans



VISITOR BAGS

for August 28th

Kathey Peterson & Kathy Camp



NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Amy Barley's grandfather, Roy Goodman, is now in hospice care.

*Our sympathy goes out to Tom Barkley in the passing of his grandmother.

*Also, our sympathy goes out to Cyndi Moore in the passing of her aunt. Pray for Cyndi as she will be traveling to Oklahoma.

*Ron McInturff's friend, Flynn, had heart surgery last week.

*Alisa Stephens had eye surgery and is doing fine.

*Continue to keep Bryan Gossett; Steve Lucas; Amy Drewry's dad (Mike Chunn); and Dianna Bane in your prayers.

*Remember our shut-ins including Jeanne Haithcote, who is in the Greenbrier Nursing Home, & Mack Hankins, who is at home.

*Pick up an extended list of those in need of our prayers on the table in the foyer.

OUR RECORD

AUGUST 14, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	167
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	223
SUNDAY PM:	122
WEDNESDAY (17th):	137
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,988
YTD average:	\$5,734
YTD ahead/behind:	\$11,015

BIRTHDAYS		
Gina Ratliff	8/21	
Jeanne Haithcote	8/21	
Marty Leonard	8/22	
Pete Hines	8/24	
Will Ratliff	8/27	
ANNIVERSARYS		
Gary & Becky Bradford	8/22	
Jim & Gina Ratliff	8/25	

"THANK YOU"

for all the wonderful ladies that came out to my granddaughter's wedding shower on a rainy Sunday afternoon!

Thank you, especially, to Cindy Wilson, Tina Leonard, and Becky Bradford for being the hostesses.

I love you so very much.

In Christ,
Helen Swindle

UPCOMING EVENTS:

BABY SHOWER

for Annie Blair has been rescheduled for August 28th in the fellowship room from 3:30- 5:00

PROMOTION SUNDAY

is September 4th - all classes will move up to the next grade

TRAINING UP A CHILD

class will begin Wednesday, September 7th. This class is for mothers of children ages 0-12. Please signup on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Ladies Fall Retreat
October 28 - 30
more details to come



"Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. " -Philippians 4:5-7

Notice the two areas of peaceful protection we can expect from our Heavenly Father: our hearts and our minds. God will guard those two parts of us, eighteen inches apart physically, which seem to conspire against us. If our hearts are troubled, it won't be long before our minds will be in turmoil. If our thoughts are headed in the wrong direction, our hearts will soon follow. But God's peace, the assurance of His control, can guard both heart and mind no matter what we are facing.

Right now, there are Christians going through unbelievable things with God's peace. Their assurance in the face of evil and pain is a testimony that brings glory to God, for it is clear to those watching that **something which surpasses all understanding** is going on. These Christians are getting supernatural help! Like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, they are in the furnace, but they are still walking around.

-Spencer Cromwell

FOOD COMMITTEE for August

Please contact

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