

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

December 17, 2017

WELCOME: Rod Wilson
SONG LEADER: Don Barnett
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Teddy Lewis
Rick Camp
ASSIST: Jerry Thomason
Pete Hines
Clayton Dent
Luke Lewis
CLOSING PRAYER: Gary Bradford
GREETERS: David & Beverly Woody
Mike & Anna Wolff
CARDS: Lyndon Lewis
Austin Gilbow
VISITOR GIFT/ ANNE STEELE
HOSTESSES: Gina Ratliff
SCRIPTURE READER: Matthew Dent
Psalm 18:1-3

SUNDAY EVENING

December 17, 2017

SONG LEADER: Brian Drewry
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
Mike Brewer
CLOSING PRAYER: Jim Bell

WEDNESDAY EVENING

December 20, 2017

SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Jim Bell
DEVOTIONAL: Randy Gordey
CLOSING PRAYER: Robert Hayes

****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.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 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:

Mike Brewer 501-472-7692
(youth, devos for Wednesday & nursing home)

Michael Cole 815-622-1874
(benevolence/pantry, technology)

Jarrod DeValle 501-470-8710
(education & teachers)

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

Ministers:

Glen Elliott 501-314-9999

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FEELING GOOD ABOUT YOURSELF

Our attitude toward others is often a reflection of how we feel about ourselves. One author described it this way: "We are never more discontented with others than when we are discontented with ourselves." Most will admit that we tend to feel better about others when we feel good about ourselves.

There is nothing inherently evil about a good self-image. While self-centeredness must be avoided, there is a vast difference between self-centeredness and good self-esteem. God created us to feel good about ourselves within the parameters of our relationship with Him. He sent His Son into the world so that we might have opportunity to live "the full and abundant life" (Jn. 10:10). God does not rejoice in our failings or find some sort of pleasure every time our feet get knocked out from under us and we find ourselves bruised and battered by life's challenges. Quite to the contrary, God hurts when we hurt. Being the perfect reflection of the Father (Hb. 1:3), Jesus is our great high priest who sympathizes "with our weaknesses" and "has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin" (Hb. 4:15).

God's revealed truth is our Creator's blueprint for living a joyous life, both now and in the life which is to come. The "do's and don'ts" of the Bible were not given for the purpose of inflicting pain, but bringing happiness. Even under the Old Testament, God identified His reason for giving rules and ordinances. Moses revealed God's true intention for the Law, saying, "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require from you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the Lord's commandments and His statutes which I am commanding you today for your good?" (Dt. 10:12). Every parent knows the meaning of "for your good." As children, we may have tried to bend the rules now and then only to discover, in the long run, that they had, indeed, been given for our good and ultimate happiness.

As much as anything, the instructions of God, as provided in His inspired word, ought to provide us with a sense of security and well-being. Our Father in heaven cares enough for us to set boundaries. When we follow His teaching, good feelings are produced. Many have made the mistake of turning things around by insisting that one must feel right in order to do right. But, actually, there are many occasions in which we must do what is right and trust that the feeling will follow.

We are created in the image of God. He loves us so much that He gave us the gift of His Beloved Son so that we might entertain a strong hope of living forever in His glorious presence. Such thoughts as these will influence the way we feel about ourselves and those around us. A sense of His great love frees us from self-hate and stirs within a genuine sense of good will toward others.

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

*Care Group 2 (Dent) -
Saturday, December 30th in the
Leonard's home- more details to come*

CONGRATULATIONS!

*Tonya Force will be
graduating from the Police
Academy December 22nd -
Great job, Tonya!*

LADIES CLASS

Thursday morning ladies Bible class begins a new study on January 4th. See you then!

OUR RECORD

DECEMBER 10, 2017

SUNDAY CLASS:	137
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	176
SUNDAY PM:	63
WEDNESDAY (13th):	98
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,421
YTD average:	\$5,287
YTD ahead/behind:	-\$5,670

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Tom Barkley came home last Sunday afternoon and is doing very well after surgery.

*Our sympathy goes out to Ratis Yeager in the passing of his brother, Archie.

*Jim Burkett will be having surgery December 21st to have 4 tumors removed from his bladder.

*Continue to keep Jason Elliott; Ratis Yeager; Herb Tatum's sister, Colleen Byrd; Junior Adams; Peggy Braden's daughter, Terri Massa; Mike Wolff's mother, Doris; Laura Blake's mother, Barbara McManus; Charles Reynolds; and Terri Shoemaker in your prayers.

REMEMBER:

On December 24th and 31st we will have regular morning services with a 1pm service each Sunday - no potluck either Sunday



BIRTHDAYS

Kristy Lewis	12/17
Nick DeValle	12/18
Jonathan Rawls	12/19
Phillip Short	12/20
Ryeland Lovell	12/23

ANNIVERSARYS

Merrell & Patsy Story	12/22
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Thank you card

*Dearest Brothers and Sisters,
Thanks for the visits, calls, bread,
cookies, food, and most of all
your love and prayers.*

*In Christ,
Ratis Yeager*

WEDDING

We are all invited to the wedding of Linda Harness & Ron McInturff January 13th at 2pm at our building with a reception to follow - no gifts please.



Youth Outreach University

January 12-14th

at Robinson & Center
Church of Christ
Cost is \$25
Theme: Love Out Loud



New Year's Eve party with games and finger foods beginning at 6:30 in the fellowship room
Also, we will have a reestablish house warming party for Tonya Force

Ladies Preparing Communion Trays

- December 17th - Dena DeValle
- December 24th - Dona Dixon
- December 31st - Linda Drewry/
Cyndi Moore
- January 7th - Jennifer Dunn

VISITOR BAGS

for December 24th
Beverly Woody & Cindy Wilson



FOOD COMMITTEE for December

Please contact:
Gina Ratliff 581-1948
Dana Short 472-4740

