

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

March 13, 2016

WELCOME: Gene Blair
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Phillip Short
Cayden Leonard
ASSIST: Tim Dixon
Kevin Blair
Wyatt Brewer
Brian Drewry
CLOSING PRAYER: Valdy Eichmann
GREETERS: Patrick & Jennifer Rawls
Ricky & Keri Shannon
CARDS: Jag McNulty
Tate Stacks
VISITOR GIFT/ ANNE STEELE
HOSTESSES: Doni McInturff
SCRIPTURE READER: Matthew Dent
Hebrews 2:1

SUNDAY EVENING

March 13, 2016

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff
OPENING PRAYER: Mike Brewer
LORD'S TABLE: Robert Hayes
Jim Bell
CLOSING PRAYER: Clayton Dent

WEDNESDAY EVENING

March 16, 2016

SONG LEADER: Mike Wolff
OPENING PRAYER: Jarrod DeValle
DEVOTIONAL: Spencer Cromwell
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.

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

Deacons:

Michael Cole 815-622-1874 Del Hines 501-733-4645
(benevolence, pantry, greeters) (finance & technology)
Jarrod DeValle 501-450-8719 Mike Wolff 501-472-8912
(education & teachers) (building & grounds)

Michael Gilbow 501-208-2909

(nursing home, fellowship room set up)

Ministers:

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

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FAITH WALKS

The life of a Christian is not guided by the present, but by what lies ahead—not by the temporal, but the eternal. “Faith walks simply, childlike, between the darkness of human life and the hope of what is to come” (Catherine De Hueck Doherty). The apostle Paul simply says, “We walk by faith, not by sight” (2 Cor. 5:7).

Faith is described for us in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews as “the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (vs. 1). The Christian’s life is walked by faith—the assurance and conviction of things unseen.

Encouraging examples of faith are provided in God’s word. These were men and women who were able to trust God even when human wisdom could find no other way. “Faith is the daring of the soul to go farther than it can see.” Human wisdom cannot lead beyond the present world. Jeremiah prayed, “I know, O Lord, that a man’s way is not in himself; nor is it in a man who walks to direct his steps” (Jer. 10:23).

This does not mean that human beings are unable to make spiritual decisions. It means that God must be the guiding force in all such decisions. Solomon warns that “There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death” (Prov. 14:12). Remember Solomon’s warning the next time you are tempted to listen to the advice of the world.

Faith in God is measured more by what we do than by what we say. It is never enough simply to profess faith—we must live it. Faith is acting on what we have heard from the Lord. “Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ” (Rm. 10:17). If we hope to grow in faith, we must study the word of God. Where our desire for God’s word is diminished, we can expect small faith.

Hearing the word of God is but the first step. We must also act upon God’s word. A living faith is one that springs into action. James says that “faith without works is dead” (Jas. 2:26). Genuine faith expresses itself in heartfelt obedience to the will of the Lord. Salvation requires an obedient faith. Paul describes such faith, saying, “For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not as the result of works, so that no one may boast” (Eph. 2:8-9). Clearly, we are saved by the grace of God. But that grace is conditioned upon a living, obedient faith. This is how faith walks in the direction of steadfast hope.

--Glen Elliott--

CARE GROUPS:

Care group 2 (Dent) -

*Saturday, March 19th
in the home of the Dent's - see
signup sheet on the bulletin board*

Care group 3 (McInturff) -

*Sunday, March 20th - after evening
services in the fellowship room*

Care group 5 (Hayes) -

*Sunday, April 3rd - after morning services
in the home of Linda Drewry*

Care group 6 (Gilbow) -

*Sunday, March 20th - after morning
services in the fellowship room
signup sheet on the bulletin board*

NEWS & NOTES

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Jim Bell's heart valve replacement surgery went well Thursday. He is at St. Vincent's in Little Rock.

*Becky Gossett had knee replacement surgery Tuesday. Her surgery went well, and she is now home.

*Audreya Brown is requesting prayers for her husband Zac. He is deployed overseas and has a relatively serious infection in his foot. Please pray for his recovery and his safety during the rest of his tour there.

*Michael Cole's nephew, Chad, is facing cancer again - it's his fourth battle in the last 20+ years.

*Continue to keep Dana Short, Rod Wilson, Destiney Auten, and Brian Wright's grandfather, Freddy Richardson, in your prayers.

THANK YOU CARDS:

*Thank you to our wonderful church family
for the cards, calls, text & your many prayers! My
surgery went well & I'm feeling better each day!*

*In Christian love,
Dana Short*

Thank you for all the prayers & food & love shown to Bob & I. You are a wonderful family to be a member of. Please pray for me as I will be having knee surgery on Tuesday.

*In Christian love,
Becky & Bob Gossett*



With so many pressures to fit in and do what society says is normal, it can be easy for a young person to think, "My parents may mean well, but are they making me miss out on experiences I really ought to be having?"

This can be hard to handle, even when you know God exists, and you basically want to live His way of life, and you do not want to be a "pop culture zombie" following mindlessly the superficial people around you. Deep down inside, you know that what today's society considers "normal" is not necessarily right with God—right for you.

But, still, the temptations are there. Should you really "sow your wild oats" while you can? Surely that is part of what being a "normal" teenager is all about—right?

Wrong! It does not have to be that way. In fact, it should not be.

Consider a parable related by Jesus Christ—who, by the way, knew what it was like to be a teen. He told of a father who had two sons. One "sowed his wild oats" and sought to experience all the extremes life had to offer, living his life with abandon. But when the fun came to an end, how did this prodigal son come to feel? We read that he would "gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate." The party was over for him, and his life was miserable (Luke 15:11-32).
-Spencer Cromwell

Randy & Angie Gordey came forward last Sunday asking for prayers of forgiveness and restoration. Let's keep them in our prayers.

OUR RECORD

MARCH 6, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	169
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	216
SUNDAY PM:	109
WEDNESDAY (9th):	132

BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$5,643
YTD average:	\$5,715
YTD ahead/behind:	\$3,152

BIRTHDAYS

Martha Bell	3/14
Shannon Whitley	3/14
Alex Rankin	3/15
Robert Hayes	3/15
Merrell Story	3/15
Holden Whitley	3/16
Becky Gossett	3/17
Gary Mavity	3/18
Merle Thomas	3/18

ANNIVERSARYS

Marty & Tina Leonard	3/13
Aubrey & Donna Allensworth	3/14
Jim & Patsy Burkett	3/19

BRIDAL SHOWER

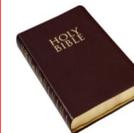
*for MacKenzie Hawks,
daughter of Brian and T Swindle
& granddaughter of Helen Swindle,
March 13th from 3:30-5:00
in the fellowship room
MacKenzie is registered at
Target and Bed, Bath, & Beyond*

Men's Breakfast

March 19th at 8am
Bring your weed sprayer!

CONGRATULATIONS

*to Nick DeValle for memorizing all
66 books of the Bible and to
Ryeland Lovell for
memorizing the Old
Testament books. Nick and
Ryeland are in first grade.*



VISITOR BAGS for March 20th

Beverly Woody & Cindy Wilson



FOOD COMMITTEE for March

Please contact
Dona Dixon & Love Hines
680-6209 730-3995

