

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

November 13, 2016

WELCOME: Gene Blair  
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield  
OPENING PRAYER: Randy Gordey  
LORD'S TABLE: Teddy Lewis  
Matthew Dent  
ASSIST: Kevin Blair  
Shannon Whitley  
Jarrod DeValle  
Kevin Lovell  
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Barley  
GREETERS: Joe & Katie Riela  
Patrick & Jennifer Rawls  
CARDS: Austin Gilbow  
Lyndon Lewis  
VISITOR GIFT/ KATHY PETERSON  
HOSTESSES: Kathy Camp  
SCRIPTURE READER: Brandon Beck  
Ephesians 4:31-32

### SUNDAY EVENING

November 13, 2016

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell  
OPENING PRAYER: Ratis Yeager  
LORD'S TABLE: Greg Bradford  
Michael Gilbow  
CLOSING PRAYER: Jarrod DeValle

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 16, 2016

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson  
DEVOTIONAL: Darren Dent  
CLOSING PRAYER: Mike Wolff

***\*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  
(ushers) (youth)  
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

Church Office: 501-679-3647

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## MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT!

In respect to human prognostication, hindsight is generally far more accurate than foresight—post-analysis than pre-analysis. However, so far as heaven is concerned, the God we serve knows “the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things which have not been done...” (Is. 46:10).

We are at a loss when it comes to accurately predicting the success or failure of a new president-elect. Much of that is measured by our own particular standards of what constitutes success in a president. But, the fact remains that we are finite human beings limited to speculations and guesses about the future. It is far more productive to trust in the One who holds the future in His hands; pray for those in high places (1 Tim. 2:1-2); and obey civil authorities as those which have been established by God (Rm. 13:1-2).

Keeping this in mind, please allow the following post-election comparison to the spiritual realm. While the right to vote is central to the democratic process in our republic, there are many who simply do not exercise that right of citizenship. Post-analysis sometimes reveals what might have been a different result had some chosen to exercise their right to vote. But, that is part of our system of government, we have the right to vote as well as the right to abstain from voting.

An interesting summary of Jesus' mission is found in the opening chapter of the Gospel of John. The inspired text says, “He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God” (Jn. 1:11–13).

From this passage, we might observe the following: (1) Not every believer is a child of God (Jn. 12:42 cf. Jas. 2:19); but every believer has the right to become His child. (2) Some will exercise their right to become children of God through spiritual rebirth (Jn. 3:3-5); but other believers will not exercise that right. And, (3) by means of post-analysis, the results would have been quite different for some had they simply chosen to exercise their right (Mt. 7:21; Rev. 22:14).

--Glen Elliott--



## BLOOD DRIVE

*December 1st*

*from 9am- 3pm*

*Please see signup sheet on the bulletin board*



## VISITOR BAGS

for November 20th

Nita Sadler & Dana Short

## CONGRATULATIONS!

Emma Leonard recited

1 Corinthians 13

in the 5th & 6th grade class. Great job, Emma!



## OUR RECORD

NOVEMBER 6, 2016

SUNDAY CLASS:	176
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	206
SUNDAY PM:	111
WEDNESDAY (9th):	113
BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$4,958
YTD average:	\$5,662
YTD ahead/behind:	\$11,774

# NEWS & NOTES

## PRAYER REQUESTS

\*Doni McInturff is going Monday to get PET scan and MRI results and treatment plan. Please keep her in your prayers.

\*Gary Bradford's dad, John, is back at the Greenbrier Nursing Home in hospice care.

\*Robin Linn's dad, Michael, is in the hospital.

\*Kathy Jo Hardin fell at home, but didn't break anything.

\*Keep Janet Banks, Brittany Irby, Destiny Auten and Alisa Stephens in your prayers.

## SENIOR CITIZEN APPRECIATION

### DINNER/BANQUET

November 27th at 5pm

There is more information and a signup sheet on the bulletin board

## BIRTHDAYS

Gabi Fason	11/13
Ashley Barkley	11/14
Jennifer Rawls	11/14
Maggie Force	11/15
Garrett Brewer	11/15
Jimmy Sutterfield	11/15
Kathey Peterson	11/18
Junior Adams	11/19

## ANNIVERSARYS

Kevin & Annie Blair	11/16
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## HOUSEWARMING

for Judy Moody

**Sunday, November 13th**

beginning at 3:30 in the fellowship room

If you have any questions, see Martha Bell or Aryca Hall

*\*A list of needed items is on the ladies table*

## LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH ANNOUNCEMENT

*Beginning Sunday, November 27th, we will meet at 1PM for "evening" service. This 1PM service time will continue for every LAST Sunday of the month and will follow the format of our recent afternoon service on Friends & Family Day, focusing on scripture, prayer, and songs. When the last Sunday happens to be the 5th Sunday of the month, we will have a fellowship meal in between morning and the 1PM service. There will not be a 5PM service on the LAST Sunday of each month.*

## FOOD COMMITTEE for November

*Please contact*

Sandra Blair  
733-1824

Donna Allensworth  
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## "Drop The Rock"

Scripture: (John 8:7-9, ESV)

**"Teacher, this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. Now in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say"** (John 8:4-5)?

The angry mob, foaming at the mouth for "justice," hovered over Jesus as He knelt before them in silence. They demanded a verdict. They hated how Jesus treated sinners, so they cornered Him with a blatant case—a woman caught in the very act of adultery. Jesus refused to be trapped. As always, He reframed the question entirely.

The Lord rose to His feet and said, **"Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her."** He spoke one sentence, and then He knelt back down again. As His words registered, **"they went away one by one, beginning with the older ones"**. What a striking observation: they left in order of age. In a large group of people, all intent on stoning this woman, *the older ones* dropped their rocks and walked away first, and the Holy Spirit inspired the Apostle John to write that exact detail.

Can you relate to that? I can! Life experience teaches us to drop the rock. When we're young, we tend to be more teachable, more humble, more flexible, but we can also be more arrogant, more confident, more exacting of the truth, less inclined to drop the rock. Over time, we start to learn some hard life lessons and experience disappointment and disillusion.

Over time, we grow tired of ourselves. If only we could trade in our personalities and work on a different set of problems for a while. When we have fallen more, when we have failed more, as consequences pile up on us, we become less inclined to drive home others failures. We know what it feels like to fail.

Check yourself on self-righteousness. If you actually believe that you are better than someone else, then you are taking credit for what the grace of God has produced in you. Is that you?

-Spencer Cromwell