

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements..... (235-3248) Brandon Fuston
Lead SingingJoe Collins
First PrayerLarry Flatt
Reading.....Chris Neale
Scripture.....James 1:22-25
Lord's Table (N)*Rodney Reynolds
(S)*Stanley Graves
(N)TBA
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SermonTony Lawrence
DismissJason Adams

Sunday Evening Worship

Announcements.....Brandon Fuston
Lead SingingJoe Collins
First PrayerKeith Chilcutt
ReadingCaleb Hughes
ScriptureActs 9:9-12
Lord's Table*Tommy Turner
.....*Shannon Griffin
SermonBen Bailey
Dismiss.....Ken Martin

Wednesday Bible Study

Announcements.....Ryan McColloch
Lead SingingHerb Rowland
First Prayer.....Russ Chilcutt
Reading.....Matthew Woodside
InvitationRay Weddington
Dismiss.....Brandon Fuston

Welcome Committee

A.M.....temporarily suspended
P.M.....temporarily suspended

*If you cannot serve, please contact
Shannon Griffin (808-4470)*

Ushers:Kurt Maynard, Mike Mullins, Bruce Pryor
Un/Lock Building:Stanley Graves/Caleb Graves
Prepare Communion:TBA
Assist Baptisms:Cynthia Duncan & Amy Lawrence
Pantry Item:Spaghetti Sauce
VideoClent Kesity
Elder Closing RemarksJamie Brock

Record for the Week...

A.M.Worship 195
Bible Study 134
P.M.Worship 153
Wednesday Bible Study 105
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Services

Sunday A.M.Worship 9:00 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
P.M.Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM
Monday (2nd & 4th of each month)
Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM

Radio Program

Each Wednesday at 12:45 on WBMC 960 AM and 97.7 FM.

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Sick

At Home:

Gordon Mayfield
Lillie Rutledge
Nelma Chilton
Phyllis Brasher (Mary Flatt's mother)

In The Hospital:

Vicky Woodlee - St. Thomas Rutherford, lumbar fusion
Doris Hughes (Allen's father) - St. Thomas Rutherford
Brent Pennington (Barbara Witty's son and Derrick's brother) - St. Thomas Rutherford

Local Gospel Meeting

Smartt Station will be having a Gospel Meeting from Sunday, July 19th - Thursday, July 23rd. Their guest speaker will be Charles Williams. Services will be as follows: Sunday 10:00AM, 11:00AM and 5:00PM. Monday - Thursday will be at 7:00PM.

Local VBS's

Hwy 56 Church of Christ: July 19th - July 21st 7:00 PM. The Great Physician; Healing the Mind, Body and Soul. Adult speakers will be Eugene Adkins (Monday [Mind]), Ted Batey (Tuesday [Body]) and Bill Boyd (Wednesday [Soul]).

Bridal Shower

All ladies of the congregation are invited to a bridal shower to honor Courtney Maynard. This will take place on Sunday, July 26th from 1:00PM - 3:00PM at the home of Clent and Lynette Kesey. Please come help us celebrate, even if you have already given a gift.

Communion Packets

For those who continue to worship from home due to illness or risk to your health, we will continue to provide the disposable communion packets at the building on Friday, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Youth News and Updates

Jason will continue his Bible/devotional series on YouTube. The links to these lessons will be posted on the Youth Group Facebook page as well as the church Facebook page.

Upcoming Youth Activities

(all activities are subject to change)

Pew Packers

Sunday, July 19th at 5:00pm, here at the church building. Please come be a part of this activity.

Birthday Wednesday

Wednesday, July 22nd at 8:00pm, immediately following Wednesday service. We will celebrate March - July birthday's

Scavenger Hunt

On Thursday, July 23rd, beginning at 5:30PM we will be having a "Restaurant" themed scavenger hunt. Jason will need adult drivers for this activity. Youth and drivers, please sign up by Wednesday, July 22nd.

Home Devo

Sunday, July 26th at the home of Mike Mullins. The church van will leave after our PM services and return between 8:30pm and 8:45pm.

Singing in the Cave

There will be a singing at Cumberland Caverns on August 1st. Jason will be calling today, Sunday July 19th, to RSVP. If you wish to go and ride in the church van, please be sure you sign up this morning.

*"Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old."
(Proverbs 23:22 NKJV)*

What I Cannot - and - Can Do

As I type these words, it seems like our world is coming apart at the seams. Nations are at odds with one another. Our own nation is divided in too many ways to try to mention here or discuss in any meaningful way.

I've been doing a little thinking about some things I *cannot* do and what I *can* do about all of this. While there is a long list of things that, by myself, I *cannot* do, I've thought of a few things that I definitely *can* do. Let me suggest just a few.

I *cannot* decide the economic, military, social, etc. policies for our nation. I *can*, and in fact am commanded to, pray for those who have those responsibilities. I don't see anything in the Bible that instructs me to pray only for those with whom I may agree. When the Holy Spirit inspired Paul to write those words, there were no such things as elections. It didn't matter if citizens agreed with the decisions made by the government. If Paul, by inspiration, could write that people must and should pray for Roman officials who gained power because of heredity, military might, corruption, etc. surely God would expect us to pray for our elected leaders today.

Along those lines, I also *cannot* solve all of the differences of opinion that exist along political, social, and moral lines. I *can*, however, treat people with whom I may disagree with dignity and respect. I *can* refuse to engage in name-calling, character assassination, labeling, etc. I *can* also resist the urge to use any platform of social media to "fan the flames" on some particular issue. I *can* ask myself if I know of anybody anywhere whose mind has been changed because of seeing something on one of those platforms.

I *cannot* undo years and years of racial and/or social injustice. I *cannot* do much about the "systemic racism" that many are saying currently exists in our society. I *cannot* undo decades of unfair treatment that some people have endured merely because of their skin color, economic status, educational attainment, etc.

I *can*, however, realize that every single human being is an eternal soul and is made in the image of God. Hopefully, that will help me treat everybody with dignity and respect.

It seems to me that this sort of "spills over" into how I treat people whose lifestyle is totally foreign to anything that would please God. Seemingly nothing about the lives of some people would in any way indicate a desire to honor Him. I *cannot* undo whatever has caused these people to choose to live as they do. Among other things, I *can* remember how the Lord treated a woman who was brought to Him after being found committing the actual act of adultery. You may remember that, while Jesus in no way condoned her sin, He treated her with much more respect than those "religious leaders" who brought her to Him and were questioning Him about how she should be treated. The fact that Jesus was kind in His treatment did not keep Him from making it clear to her that He expected her to refrain from engaging in sinful activity in the future. I *can* keep the Lord's actions and attitudes in mind as I deal with others.

You may have your own list of "big picture" problems for which there seem to be no solutions. I'm sure that these few are merely the tip of the iceberg as you view things. Maybe they are not even on your radar screen. I'm just hoping that they are also food for thought.

It may be that all of us, definitely including me, need to commit ourselves to doing positive and helpful things within our own spheres of influence. None of us know what kind of positive effects that may have.

My sphere of influence may radiate out just far enough to connect with your sphere of influence. Maybe your sphere of influence will overlap with another one or two. It could very well be that, if enough of those "little things" we *can* do begin to overlap, some very big problems might diminish. I could even very well be that some of them might actually disappear.

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