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SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 am — Bible Study
10:30 am — Worship
6:00 pm — Small Group Discussions

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

6:30 pm — Bible Study

WORSHIP SERVICE August 20, 2017

Welcome

853 "When We All Get to Heaven"
810 "Listen to Our Hearts"
"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

Shepherd's Prayer

709 "How Sweet How Heavenly"
364 "Come Share the Lord"

Communion

Contribution

704 "Bind Us Together"
(Children Dismissed)

744 "God's Family"

Scripture Reading

Sermon

915 "Trust and Obey" (vs. 1, 4, 5)

Family News

703 "A Common Love"

Closing Prayer



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday morning, August 20, 2017

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
Lord's Supper: Greg Ferguson
Scripture Reading: Wyatt Henson
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Chris Gooch
Elder Available After Worship: Ron Newberry
Children's Church: Nancy Spain
Attended Nursery: Carla Aaron
Nursery Next Week: Lori Griffin
Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
(back): Aaron Tittle Family

PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Christine Fussell, Mary Johnson, Kenneth Scott, Sue Wilkerson, Vernelle Sellers, Vallie Burden, Faye Tittle, Dawn Guy, Phil Green

OUR COMMUNITY: Yates Graham, Scott Albright, Hudson Hayes, Debbie Jordan, Mary Hepler, Phyllis Weatherly, Debbie Bowling, Evelyn Williams, Carl Ivey, Michelle Cook (Brian Clark's boss), Shawn Weaks

OUR RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Erica Albritton, Alan Jones, William Gardner, Hazel Williams, Terry Grady, Leroy Albritton, Louis Woods (cousin of Aaron Tittle), Adam & Jennifer Cooley, Katie Harris, Clinton Battles, Jason Elliott, Glen Rippee (Evan's grandfather), Velynda Cameron (Evan's aunt), Lohnya Rippee, Ruby Rogers, Frances Green (Phil's mother); Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus's mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins' mom)

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY: Mark Reed, Jay Thomas, Thomas Booker, Chriss Mays, Rebecca Gooch, Claire Lloyd, Dakota McCord, Matt Hester, Clayton Fowler (student of Nancy's, deployed to Korea).

MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:

Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.

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FAMILY  NEWS

August 20, 2017



Men and women are different in the way they "think". The way the brains of males and females are fixed causes us to process data differently. (Last week's article was about how men and women think differently. Again, for the record, I know that there are exceptions to the general rule, but that's why they are called exceptions.) Simply put we are hardwired differently. That's because of the way God made us.

This means that men and women not only "think" differently, they also "feel" differently. For example, men base their significance upon their achievements, success, "trophies". They find identity in their professions or occupations, while women are more centered on relationships. Ask a couple about a day trip to a new place they've not visited before. The wife will talk about the wonderful shop they discovered, the quaint little antique store, the lady who was so helpful in giving directions, the wonderful tea room that made her feel so special. The husband will brag about how he shaved thirty minutes off the road time compared to the GPS by talking a side road, the bargain he got at the flea market, the way he was able to get the old guy at the restaurant to tell him where all the trophy bucks hanging on the wall came from and he intends to be there next hunting season.

Men like to solve problems alone; women like to help others solve problems. It's supportive, encouraging, inspiring, and caring for one woman to give another woman advice. Men just need encouragement to "stick with it." Men tend only to ask for advice under two circumstances: when they are truly looking for a solution and when they want someone to blame when it all goes FUBAR (Fouled Up Beyond All Recognition).

Once you understand the basic differences between how men and women think and feel, you can see potential conflict coming like an oncoming locomotive—predictable and inescapable. The different thinking and feeling blueprints and subsequent actions are ripe for misunderstandings and unmet expectations due to faulty communication.

Basically, men are fixers; they want to fix problems; women, on the other hand, want to affirm people and be affirmed. When the wife shares a problem, the husband assumes she is telling him because...? Exactly...she wants him to fix the problem—that's why he would share a problem. What she really wants is a sympathetic listener and encouragement. Guys...heads-up...she will extend the conversation until she gets it. She doesn't consciously decide that; it's that hard wiring issue. She may very well reject her husband's reasoned, workable solution because she hasn't finished talking about the problem yet. If this continues—the wife subconsciously rejecting solutions to continue the conversation—the husband will feel rejected and the wife won't find the reassurance she was looking for from her husband.

How have your efforts to "improve" and "fix" each other worked so far? Maybe it's time to quit trying to change each other and decide to love and accept each other the way God made you and complement one another for the sake of your relationship.

- Ron

THOSE TO SERVE August 27, 2017

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Brian Clark, Greg Ferguson,
 Jeff Nicks, Mike McCage, Landon
 McCage, Evan Rippee, Jerry Ross
 Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
 Closing Prayer: Jimmy Smith
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): Jeff & Sissy Nicks
 (back): Mike & Paula McCage

◆ **DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE**

August 20 Lamentations 1-3:36
 August 21 Lamentations 3:37-5:22
 August 22 Ecclesiastes 1-4
 August 23 Ecclesiastes 5-8
 August 24 Ecclesiastes 9-12
 August 25 Esther 1-3
 August 26 Esther 4-6



We seek to serve and lift up our God to the best of our abilities, and to unite as one to lead others.

It's Back to School Season, and I know you're all busy, but don't forget to check out our schedule of upcoming Youth Group events (on page 2).

◆ **-The Bible is a Mirror, not a Microscope-**

Don't pick on people, jump on their failures, criticize their faults— unless, of course, you want the same treatment. That critical spirit has a way of boomeranging. It's easy to see a smudge on your neighbor's face and be oblivious to the ugly sneer on your own. Do you have the nerve to say, 'Let me wash your face for you,' when your own face is distorted by contempt? It's this whole traveling road-show mentality all over again, playing a holier-than-thou part instead of just living your part. Wipe that ugly sneer off your own face, and you might be fit to offer a washcloth to your neighbor." – Matthew 7:1-3 -THE MESSAGE BIBLE

For many, the bible is used as a microscope, a device that can be used to analyze others to discern their standing with God. It is a tool by which people can pick apart every short coming, failure, and sin a person has and call them to account. Many churches use it to convict others of their problems, and try to use this tactic to guilt people into a relationship with God.

I wont lie, I have been one of those people before. I have used scripture against someone's failings to gain an upper hand for my own prides sake, or because I thought that magnifying their failures would bring them to a point of repentance. It never really works like that. Usually people just get mad or upset and what could have been a productive conversation turns into an ugly interaction that both parties end up regretting.

Let us instead use the words of the scripture as a mirror, a way for us to inspect our own spiritual appearance before the lord. That is what we are called to do. We are to examine ourselves first, so that we may be aware of our own imperfections and failings before God, so that when the time comes for us to approach others about sin issues or spiritual problems, we can stand together in front of the mirror as a family, sharing in our imperfection and being thankful for the perfection we receive through the blood of Christ.

Have you look into God's mirror today?
 Have a great week!

- Evan

◆ **YOUTH CALENDAR**



AUGUST

27th - Exchange Street @ Troy Youth Night!
 30th - Family On Track Night

SEPTEMBER

10th - Troy @ Exchange Street Youth Night!
 15th OR 16th – Youth Night Out (Bowling? Movie?
 Suggestions?)
 18th - Dinner & Bible Study @ Rippees'
 24th - Youth and Family Devo (location TBA)

*Thank
 You*

THANKYOU

"Thanks to each one of you for the wonderful lunch that was provided to our families after the memorial service for Dad. He will be greatly missed, but we find comfort in knowing that he is no longer in pain."

- Diane Terry



PRAYER ON THE SQUARE

Please join the **OUTsideIN** workshop and friends for our devotional, Prayer on the Square, at noon every Friday, at the Troy Senior Citizens' Center. A light lunch is served.

◆ **UPDATED CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE**

August 20—Nancy Spain
 August 27—Traci Orr

