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SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 am — Bible Study
10:30 am — Worship
5:00 pm — Small Group Discussions

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

6:30 pm — Bible Study

WORSHIP SERVICE Dec. 3, 2017

Welcome

42 "How Majestic Is Your Name"
144 "O Worship the King"
266 "Majesty"
66 "Doxology"

Shepherd's Prayer

163 "His Name Is Wonderful"
"O Come O Come Emmanuel"

Communion

Contribution

1018 "Joy to the World"
579 "You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)"

Scripture Reading

Sermon

"From the Inside Out"

Family News

66 "Doxology"

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday morning, December 3, 2017

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
Lord's Supper: Jamie Clark
Scripture Reading: Eb McCage
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Mike McCage
Elder Available After Worship: Jimmy Smith
Children's Church:

Attended Nursery: Traci Orr
Nursery Next Week: Dawn Guy
Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
(back): Wade & Christy Henson



PRAYER LIST

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

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, 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), Pam Hughes

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:

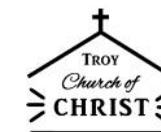
Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.

TROY Church of CHRIST

FAMILY NEWS



December 3, 2017



The total is now well over fifty – fifty prominent men who have been accused of sexual harassment or other inappropriate behavior toward women and even toward some boys. Some have been fired, some have resigned and others maintain their innocence. There is a sense that this is just a trickle and the dam is yet to break.

The names range from the rich and famous and the not so famous. The list includes Matt Lauer of NBC's Today Show, Charlie Rose at CBS, Mark Halprin who worked at ABC/Disney, Roger Ailes, Bill O'Reilly, and Eric Bolling of the FOX network, movie mogul Harvey Weinstein (as well as his brother Bob), Garrison Keillor, National Public Radio icon, NPR's chief news editor David Sweeney, Michael Oreskes, "MotherJones" Washington bureau chief David Corn, NPR's senior vice president of news and editorial director, Hollywood executive and producer Adam Fields, Andrew Kreisberg executive producer of Warner Bros. TV Group, filmmaker Oliver Stone, Glenn Thrush, one of the most prominent political journalists for "The New York Times", Matt Zimmerman, senior vice president for booking at NBC News and was one of the top bookers of talent and guests for "Today", comedian and actor Louis C.K., actors Steven Seagal, Tom Sizemore, Dustin Hoffman, Sylvester Stallone, Kevin Spacey, and Ben Affleck, Amazon Studios' chief, Roy Price, billionaire Richard Branson, Sen. Al Franken, Rep. John Conyers, Roy Moore, Senate candidate from Alabama, and former president George H. W. Bush. and who can forget Bill Cosby, Anthony Weiner and former president Bill Clinton...and the list grows daily.

Yes, we presume innocence until proof of guilt. Being accused falsely of something you didn't do is an awful thing to deal with since it's hard, really hard, to prove a negative. (Can you prove you haven't been to the moon?) However, it is evident that the charges that are based in fact stem from attitudes ingrained deeply within our culture. It's politicians and celebrities. It's in schools (teachers and students) and religion (remember Jimmy Swaggart, Jim Bakker and Jesse Jackson who fathered a child after an extramarital affair). It's in every branch of our military and law enforcement divisions. It's anywhere you find people in our culture. While the above list represents a problem, it's actually the symptom of a problem.

Yes, our culture makes the bad behavior possible, but it doesn't make anyone do anything. We have the responsibility and accountability for our attitudes and actions.

I have two opinions on this matter. First, we can thank Hugh Hefner, founded of *Playboy magazine* in 1953, for much of the coarsening of our culture. He advocated sexual liberation and freedom of expression. We have it and look at the fruit it has produced. He was the first to objectify women on a massive scale as toys to be used. He even coined the term "playmate" and was celebrated for his "playboy mansion". What do you do with playmates? You "play" with them making them merely objects to be "toyed with" and discarded. As long as we tolerate boorish and criminal behavior by the rich and powerful, why are we surprised when they behave badly?

Second, in my opinion, we should stop referring to ourselves as a civilized society until we ban the attitude that it's alright to exploit others for personal pleasure or gain, including the very notion that women are sex objects. The education process should begin in the cradle. Girls should be taught to dress and act in ways that do not promote objectification and communicate "I'm a play-thing" image. (DO NOT read this to mean I blame women for men behaving badly!) Boys should be taught how to treat others with deference and women in particular with respect.

More heads will roll before we're finished with this growing scandal. Hopefully it will reset the way men and women treat each other with the respect each deserves.

- Ron

THOSE TO SERVE December 10, 2017

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins, Jimmy Smith,
 Greg Ferguson, Tony Henson, Wade
 Henson, Mark Hawkins, Josh Scott
 Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
 Closing Prayer: Gene Clark
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): James & Anita Nicks
 (back): Mike & Paula McCage



Butch & Patti Fussell write:

We would like to thank those who visited, prepared the food, and especially the prayers during our recent loss. Also, thank you for the picture frame. Thinking of us shows how much you care.

The Hawkins write:

Thank you all so much for your love, kindness and prayers throughout Daddy's health complications and quadruple bypass surgery. We are so blessed to be a part of this family.

Shana Wilson writes:

To the church family—Thank you so much for your thoughts and prayers during my surgery and recovery; the rose was a beautiful surprise as well.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Paul Hill has been experiencing knee problems and was scheduled to have an MRI last week.

Lee Anthony is recovering from a foot injury.

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

December 3	Acts 11-13
December 4	Acts 14-16
December 5	Acts 17-19
December 6	Acts 20-22
December 7	Acts 23-25
December 8	Acts 26-28
December 9	1 Timothy



GIFT BAGS for shut-ins, et al

The ladies are planning our yearly visits to shut-ins, nursing homes and assisted living facilities. A date will be set soon. If you can attend, please let Margaret know. If you can't attend, please help with some little gifts for the bags—just anything you think they can use or enjoy—or please donate a few dollars for the purchase of some gifts. Give your contribution to Margaret or Virginia.

LADIES' ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

Our annual Ornament Exchange is after morning services today, in the Activities Building.



MISSION TRIP SUPPORT

Josh Wilson, Shana's son, is raising money to go on a mission trip to India in a few weeks. If you'd like to contribute to his fund, you can do so online at: <https://www.purecharity.com/josh-wilsons-fundraiser-for-india-m-in18c/>, or by giving it to one of the elders.

Sodium

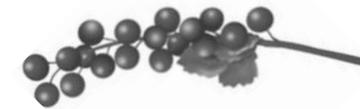
While searching for ideas for a article to entertain you all with this week, I stumbled upon this, and wanted to share it with you all.

"Sodium is an extremely active element found naturally only in combined form; it always links itself to another element. Chlorine, on the other hand, is the poisonous gas that gives bleach its offensive odor. When sodium and chlorine are combined, the result is sodium chloride—common table salt—a substance to preserve meat and bring out its flavor. Love and truth can be like sodium and chloride.

"Love without truth is flighty, sometimes blind, willing to combine with various doctrines. On the other hand, truth by itself can be offensive. Spoken without love, it can turn people away from the gospel. When faith and love are combined in an individual or a church, then we have what Jesus called "the salt of the earth" (Matthew 5:13) and we're able to preserve and bring out the beauty of our faith (Ephesians 4:15)." - *author unknown*

"Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."—Colossians 4:6 - *author unknown*

-Zach



CHURCH CALENDARS 2018

The new calendars are in the works! If you have corrections or additions to the calendar for next year, please see Paula.

CHRISTMAS EVE REMINDER

Our Christmas Eve service will be proceeded by a light breakfast at 9:30 AM. A list is posted on the Information Station bulletin board for you to indicate what you are willing to bring to share on the 24th.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

A new teaching rotation is being prepared. If you would like to teach Children's church or wish to continue teaching, please sign the list posted at the information Station. If you have any questions, please see Rachel Clark

ON TRACK

The Spring On Tack **meal schedule** is posted on the information station. Please review and sign up to prepare the meal of your choice.

