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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 March 4, 2018

Welcome

517 "Heaven Came Down"
554 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"
"Knowing You"

Shepherd's Prayer

801 "Where No One Stands Alone"
922 "Jesus Paid It All"

Communion

Contribution

573 "I Will Change Your Name"
516 "Ancient Words"

Scripture Reading

Sermon

926 "What Will You Do with Jesus?"

Family News

671 "Purer in Heart, O God"

Closing Prayer

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday morning, March 4, 2018

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
Lord's Supper: Jimmy Smith, Chris Gooch, James Bumpus, Jim Robertson, Tyler Kendall, Frank Roberson, and Randy Brann
Scripture Reading: Eb McCage
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Jerry Ross
Elder Available After Worship: Greg Ferguson
Children's Church: Christy and Kellie Henson
Attended Nursery: (a substitute for the absent Traci)
Nursery Next Week: Dawn Guy
Greeters (side): Kevin Dobbins
(back): Royce & Brenda Aker



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 Weeks, Jean McCullough, Barbie Hardy, Brad Carman

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, Ruby Rogers, Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus's mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins' mom)

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

MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:

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



If I Were the Prince of Darkness

If I were the prince of darkness, I'd want to engulf the world in darkness, and I'd have a third of its real estate, and I'd have four-fifths of its population, but I wouldn't be happy until I had seized the ripest apple on the tree. THEE. So I'd set about however necessary to take over the United States. I'd subvert the churches first. I'd begin with a campaign of whispers. With the wisdom of a serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve. DO AS YOU PLEASE.

To the young, I would whisper that the Bible is a myth, I would convince them that man created God, instead of the other way around. I would confide that what's bad is good, and what's good is square. And the old, I would teach to pray, after me, "our father, which is in Washington." And then I'd get organized. I'd educate authors in how to make lewd literature exciting so that anything else would appear dull and uninteresting. I'd threaten TV with dirtier movies and vice versa. I'd peddle narcotics to whom I could; I'd sell alcohol to ladies and gentlemen of distinction. I'd tranquilize the rest with pills.

If I were the devil I'd soon have families that war with themselves, churches that war with themselves, and nations that war with themselves, until each in its turn was consumed, and with promises of higher ratings, I'd have mesmerizing media fanning the flames.

If I were the devil, I would encourage schools to refine young intellects, but neglect to discipline emotions, just let them run wild, until before you knew it, you'd have to have drug sniffing dogs and metal detectors at every school house door.

Within a decade I'd have prisons overflowing, I'd have judges promoting pornography. Soon I could evict God from the courthouse, then from the schoolhouse, and then from the houses of Congress. And in His own churches, I would substitute psychology for religion, and deify science. I would lure priest and pastors into misusing boys and girls, and church money.

If I were the devil, I'd make the symbol of Easter an egg and the symbol of Christmas, a bottle. And what'll you bet I couldn't get whole states to promote gambling as the way to get rich. I would caution against extremes, in hard work, in patriotism, and in moral conduct. I would convince the young that marriage is old fashioned, that swinging is more fun. That what you see on TV is the way to be, and thus I could undress you in public, and I could lure you into bed with diseases for which there is no cure.

In other words, If I were the devil, I'd just keep right on doing what he's doing.

There's not much that I can add. What modern writer wrote those reflections you ask? It was no modern writer and they aren't reflections. They are prophetic words spoken by Paul Harvey...in 1965.

- Ron



THOSE TO SERVE March 11, 2018

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Greg Ferguson, Tony Henson, Wade Henson, Keith Connor, Jerry Ross, Jeff Nicks, and James Nicks
 Scripture Reading: Landon McCage
 Closing Prayer: Chris Gooch
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): Jeff & Sissy Nicks
 (back): Virgil and Lori Griffin

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Please keep in prayer our medical mission team that's working in Mexico now.

Jerry Ross's mother, Betty Davis, passed away on Tuesday, February 27th.

- Kitchen towels;
- Two skillets (preferably with lids);
- An extra, extra large stock pot (with a lid);
- 3 extra-large saucepans;
- 2-3 plastic beverage containers (with lids);
- Sets of plain silverware;
- 4 metal pie servers;
- Spatulas;
- Medium size cutting board (dishwasher safe; not wood);
- Mixing bowls;
- Storage containers (with lids, freezer-friendly);
- Cascade dishwasher detergent;
- Dawn dishwashing liquid;
- Scrubbing pads;
- Disposable crock pot liners (but no crock pots, thank you—we've got plenty);

◆ **DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE**

March 4	Numbers 34-36; Mark 10:32-52
March 5	Deuteronomy 1-2; Mark 10:32-52
March 6	Deuteronomy 3-4; Mark 11:1-19
March 7	Deuteronomy 5-7; Mark 12:1-27
March 8	Deuteronomy 8-10; Mark 12:28-44
March 9	Deuteronomy 11-13; Mark 13:1-13
March 10	Deuteronomy 14-16; Mark 13:14-37

◆ **SING HALLELUJAH**

Bishop Street Church of Christ will host its annual congregational singing on Friday, March 9th. Singing begins at 7:00 pm, and refreshments will be served during an intermission at 9:00 pm

◆ **KITCHEN SHOWER**

Many meals have been prepared, served and enjoyed in our well-equipped kitchen. We're blessed to have such a nice facility to serve others. But... those who've been working in the kitchen have probably noticed that some of our equipment is worn out, missing, or in short supply. So it's time to "shower" our church kitchen. Please consider buying (perhaps with a friend to share the expense) the items on the wish list to the left. All of them need to be heavy duty. We may need to update the list in the future, but anything on today's wish list would be a great start. Our kitchen (and its workers) thank you! Questions? Ask Jenny.



The number of times I find an article that really speaks to me where I am at with my walk with Christ is astonishing! This article gave me a lot of insight into something I think we all struggle with at one time or another, and I hope you can learn from it as well!

-Zach

Are You A Crybaby Christian?

Susan loved Jesus with all her heart. She was faithful in church attendance, obedient to her parents, kind to others and excelled in school. But Susan had one very big problem that revealed itself by the constant use of two words in her conversation: "I can't."

Susan thought of herself as weak and inadequate. Whenever she was asked to do something, she'd reply, "I can't do it very well, but I'll try." She assumed that others were more capable than she, and always remained in the background. If she received a compliment, she'd reply, "It wasn't very good, but it was the best I could do."

As you can see, Susan had no problem admitting her weaknesses. It's just that she had no faith to expect God's power to more than make up for her deficiencies. She operated with an, "expect-nothing-and-you'll-get-it-everytime" mentality. She didn't really believe that God was her strength, and maybe never even noticed Joshua 1:9 — "Have I not commanded thee? Be strong and courageous; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

Are you a Christian crybaby? Have you played the "World is getting so wicked that all Christians can do is hibernate until heaven" tune on your fiddle? Did you give up on winning people to Jesus because the first one you talked to wasn't interested? Have you decided that you can't learn good Bible study habits, or stop overeating, or give up smoking? Are you in a prison of fear or self-consciousness or depression that is so confining you feel you can't escape?

If you are, you're in the perfect place for the power of God! James tells us to count it all joy when we face trials, because they test our faith and teach us patience. Paul said he delighted in weakness, because in Christ he could get all the strength he needed. Gideon had a full-blown inferiority complex who was a scaredy cat, but he opened his heart to receive God's strength. He and his three hundred men defeated a huge army without firing a gun, shooting an arrow, or even touching an enemy soldier.

It's about time you stopped being a Christian crybaby and really started asking God for strength in every area of weakness. "I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me" (Phil. 4:13). This is more than a memory verse that nearly everyone can quote. Its truth is meant to touch you so deeply that crybaby change to canbaby!

For His Cause, Tim Woodward

