



THOSE TO SERVE May 19, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Chris Gooch, James Nicks, Randy Brann, Jim Robertson, Gene Clark, Jamie Clark, Brian Clark
 Scripture Reading: Jeff Nicks
 Closing Prayer: Keith Connor
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side): James & Anita Nicks
 (back): Tony & Brenda Henson

◆ **DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE**

- May 12 Psalm 65-67, 69-70
- May 13 2 Samuel 11-12; 1 Chronicles 20
- May 14 Psalm 32, 51, 86, 122
- May 15 2 Samuel 13-15
- May 16 Psalm 3-4, 12-13, 28, 55
- May 17 2 Samuel 16-18
- May 18 Psalm 26, 40, 58, 61-62, 64



◆ **SUPER SENIORS**

Our next outing has been changed to FRIDAY night May 17. We will be going to the Farmhouse Restaurant in Newbern. The bus will leave at 6 pm.

SICK LIST

Virginia Pugh's brother-in-law is recovering from surgery
 Betty Crick (a friend of Sheila Morris) is having cancer surgery in a few weeks.

PLEASING OTHERS

"I don't know the secret to success but the key to failure is to try to please everyone."

Rick Nelson's song released late in 1972 titled "Garden Party" advocated one answer to the question of how to handle this dilemma. The refrain in his song is, *"But it's all right now. I learned my lesson well. You see, you can't please everyone, so you got to please yourself."*

Is that the answer? Since we can't please all the people all the time we just concentrate on doing what pleases ourselves. Sounds pretty good in theory but it creates a lot of unsociable people who become rather selfish. Is there a better alternative? No doubt there is.

Matthew 6:24 says that none of us can be servants of two different masters. We will hate one and love the other or hold on to one and despise the other. We just can't be loyal to two competing forces at the same time. What's the clue from this text to the predicament of pleasing everybody all the time? Jesus said it's a given that we cannot do the impossible. Embedded in his statement is the major clue to the solution of our dilemma. Since we can only be loyal to one master, we can choose who will get our loyalty. Obviously our desire is to please God and there is our answer.

In Ephesians 6:7, in a context of relationships in general and slavery in particular, Paul offers this instruction: "Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men." We are not called to please everyone—not even Jesus could do that. Neither are we permitted just to be interested in pleasing ourselves. We are called to a nobler purpose. We have a higher standard. We are called to please God.

- Ron

SAVING THE LOST

When Rosina Hernandez was in college, she once attended a rock concert. At the concert a young man was brutally beaten by another. No one made an attempt to stop the beating or attend to the victim. The next day Rosina was dumbfounded to learn that the youth had died as a result of the pummeling. Yet neither she nor anyone else had raised a hand to help him. She would never forget the incident or her responsibility as a passive "I-don't-want-to-get-involved" bystander.

A number of years later, Rosina witnessed another catastrophe. A car driving in the rain ahead of her suddenly skidded and plunged into Biscayne Bay. The car landed with the front down in the water with only the trunk showing. In mere moments a woman appeared on the surface, shouting for help and saying her husband was wedged inside unable to get out.

This time Rosina didn't hesitate or wait for anyone else to act. She plunged into the water, tried unsuccessfully to open the car door, then pounded on the back window as other bystanders stood on the causeway and watched.

Finally one man, then another, came to help. They broke the window and dragged the sputtering man to safety just in time.

The woman thanked Rosina for saving her husband. Rosina had promised herself that she would never again fail to do anything she could to save a life. She had kept her promise.

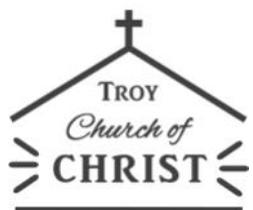
Has someone died whom you could have saved? Perhaps not physically speaking but you see hundreds every day who are dying spiritually. What will it take to stir us to act, to plunge in and help? Too many just stand on the shore gawking at lives in over their heads drowning for all to see and we just join the onlookers.

- Ron



ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

Date	Time	Event	Location
May 17, 2019	6:00 pm	Super Seniors Outing	Farmhouse Restaurant, Newbern



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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 May 12, 2019

"Blue Skies and Rainbows"

898 "Paradise Valley"

595 "I Come to the Garden Alone"

Shepherd's Prayer

570 "A Beautiful Life"

51 "Above All"

Communion

Contribution

288 "Fairest Lord Jesus" (vs. 2)

548 "The Lily of the Valley"

Scripture Reading

Sermon

581 "I'd Rather Have Jesus"

Family News

703 "I Love You with the Love
of the Lord"

Closing Prayer



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 12, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
Lord's Supper: Greg Ferguson
Scripture Reading: Landon McCage
Sermon: Ron Newberry
Closing Prayer: Jerry Ross
Elder Available After Worship: Gene Clark
Children's Church: Traci Orr
Attended Nursery: Lori Griffin
Nursery Next Week: Traci Orr
Greeters (side): James & Betty Bumpus
(back): Jerry & Tammy Ross



PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Mary Johnson, Vernelle Sellers, Vallie Burden, Anita Nicks, Aaron Tittle.

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

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; Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus's mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins' mom), Bob Yates, Thomas Aker

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY: Jay Thomas, Thomas Booker, Chris Mays, Rebecca Gooch, Claire Lloyd, Brady Moore, Dakota McCord, Matt Hester, Clayton Fowler, Brady Moore, Chris Floyd, Eb McCage

MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:

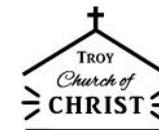
Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.

TROY Church of CHRIST

FAMILY NEWS



May 12, 2019



THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE IS THE HAND THAT RULES THE WORLD.

William Ross Wallace (1819-1881)

BLESSINGS on the hand of women!
Angels guard its strength and grace.
In the palace, cottage, hovel,
Oh, no matter where the place;
Would that never storms assailed it,
Rainbows ever gently curled,
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world.

Infancy's the tender fountain,
Power may with beauty flow,
Mothers first to guide the streamlets,
From them souls unresting grow—
Grow on for the good or evil,
Sunshine streamed or evil hurled,
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world.

Woman, how divine your mission,
Here upon our natal sod;
Keep—oh, keep the young heart open
Always to the breath of God!
All true trophies of the ages
Are from mother-love imperaled,
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world.

Blessings on the hand of women!
Fathers, sons, and daughters cry,
And the sacred song is mingled
With the worship in the sky—
Mingles where no tempest darkens,
Rainbows evermore are hurled;
For the hand that rocks the cradle
Is the hand that rules the world.