

Noteworthy

Prayer Requests: Jo Anderson, Karen Berry (*broken finger; cannot drive*), Joe Brown (*cancer*), Marian Church, Mildred Church (*shut in*), Linda James (*shut in*), Ahrea & Neil Miller, Butch Morgan (*ongoing medical*), Dottie Reynolds, Suzette Stevens, Arlena Turner (*medical issues*).

Family and friends: Laurence Cutts (*recovering from stroke*), Ned Hicks (*ongoing medical*), Chuck Goodall (*Charles and Vernita's son's cancer is now in remission!*), Brian James (*cancer*), Rowena Lawson's mother, Wayne Ryland (*medical*), Ardis Tucker, and Bob Waldron (*has hydrocephalus; will have procedure to install a shunt on August 21st*).

Out of Town: Sherman and Lynda Johnson, the Ross family, and Paula Sullivan (*will be traveling again*).

Group Meeting: Group 2 will meet next week after the evening worship service.

Kids' Review: Will be next week (*August 13th*) in classroom number 5, shortly after the evening worship service.

Annual Singing: The Lakeland Hills Blvd. Church of Christ's 32nd annual singing is at the end of this month. It will be held at the building on Friday August 25th, and will begin at 7:30pm. All are encouraged to mark your calendar, and be sure to invite your family & friends, also.

Assignments for Worship Service

Wednesday Night: 8/9/17

Song Leader: Clay Sadler
 Opening Prayer: Jerry Williams
 Invitation: Ronnie Henderson
 Announcements: Larry Hicks
 Closing Prayer: Sherman Johnson
 Recordings: Clay Sadler
 Usher: Larry Hicks

Sunday Evening: 8/13/17

Song Leader: Colby Sadler
 Opening Prayer: Bob Marschall
 Lord's Table: Larry Wisdom
 Announcements: Larry Hicks
 Closing Prayer: Bucky Day
 Recordings: Keith Marschall
 Usher: Gus Johnson

Sunday Morning: 8/13/17

Lord's Table: Larry Wisdom (B)
 Clay Sadler (C)
 Serving: Jim Abram
 Ed Lawson
 Song Leader: Bob Marschall

Opening Prayer: Ronnie Henderson
 Announcements: Larry Hicks
 Closing Prayer: Joe Brown
 Recordings: Bob Marschall
 Usher: Gus Johnson



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SERVICES

Sunday
 Bible Study 9:00 A.M.
 Morning Services 9:50 A.M.
 Evening Services 6:00 P.M.
 Wednesday
 Bible Study 7:30 P.M.

DEACONS:

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Settled In Heaven

"Forever, O LORD, Thy word is settled in heaven." (Psalms 119:89)

"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matthew 16:19)

"Truly I say to you, whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matthew 18:18)

God's Word Has Forever Settled:

What To Preach

"And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation' (Mark 16:15).

"Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received, in which also you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast the word which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:1-4).

"I am amazed that you are so quickly deserting Him who called you by the grace of Christ, for a different gospel; which is really not another; only there are some who are disturbing you, and want to distort the gospel of Christ. But even though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to that which

we have preached to you, let him be accursed. As we have said before, so I say again now, if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to that which you received, let him be accursed” (Galatians 1:6-9)

“I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires; and will turn away their ears from the truth, and will turn aside to myths” (2 Timothy 4:1-4).

What Constitutes Sin

“Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness; and sin is lawlessness” (1 John 3:4).

“All unrighteousness is sin, &ldots;” (1 John 5:17a).

“But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because his eating is not from faith; and whatever is not from faith is sin” (Romans 14:23).

“Therefore, to one who knows the right thing to do, and does not do it, to him it is sin” (James 4:17).

“Or do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in the Spirit of our God” (1 Corinthians 6:9-11).

The Remedy for Sin

“For this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins” (Matthew 26:28).

“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him” (Romans 5:8-9).

“Knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you” (1 Peter 1:18-20).

“Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, in order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection” (Romans 6:3-5).

The Christian’s Conduct

“Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ; so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel” (Philippians 1:27).

“For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age” (Titus 2:11-12).

“Abstain from every form of evil” (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

“For the time already past is sufficient for you to have carried out the desire of the Gentiles, having pursued a course of sensuality, lusts, drunkenness, carousals, drinking parties and abominable idolatries. And in all this, they are surprised that you do not run with them into the same excess of dissipation, and they malign you” (1 Peter 4:3-4).

Acceptable Worship

“But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth” (John 4:23-24).

“And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer” (Acts 2:42)

“Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord” (Ephesians 5:19).

“And on the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul began talking to them, intending to depart the next day, and he prolonged his message until midnight” (Acts 20:7).

The Work of the Church

“But in case I am delayed, I write so that you may know how one ought to conduct himself in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and support of the truth” (1 Timothy 3:15).

“In order that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly places. This was

in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Ephesians 3:10-11).

“For the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12)

“And you yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs” (Philippians 4:15-16)

“If any woman who is a believer has dependent widows, let her assist them, and let not the church be burdened, so that it may assist those who are widows indeed” (1 Timothy 5:16).

Divorce and Remarriage

“For I hate divorce,” says the LORD, the God of Israel, ‘and him who covers his garment with wrong,’ says the LORD of hosts. ‘So take heed to your spirit, that you do not deal treacherously” (Malachi 2:16).

“But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except for the cause of unchastity, makes her commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery” (Matthew 5:32).

“And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery” (Matthew 19:9).

May We Always And Forever Respect the Finality of God’s Word.

(All scripture quotations from the New American Standard Bible)

- Bobby K. Thompson