

## Serving This Week:

### Sunday Morning

**Announcements:** Kyle Richardson

**Song Leader:** Kyle Richardson

**Opening Prayer:** Howell Todd

**Scripture Reading:** Mel Hebert

**Lord's Supper:**

**Presiding:** Howell Todd

**Serving:** Aaron Hebert

Ken Grandstaff

**Preaching:** Mel Hebert

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Grandstaff

### Sunday Evening

**Opening Prayer:** Brian Horner

**Preaching:** Mel Hebert

**Closing Prayer:** Ken Grandstaff

### Wednesday Evening

**Opening Prayer:** Brian Horner

**Devotional:** Howell Todd

**Closing Prayer:** Mel Hebert

### Serving Next Sunday:

**Pres. Lord's Supper:** Kyle Richardson

**Preaching:**

**Opening Prayer:** Mel Hebert

**Closing Prayer:** Howell Todd

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Game Night was fun! Thanks to all who came and made it a great night!

This year's Holiday Dinner is being planned for Dec 12th.

Please let Kyle know if there are any problems with this date.

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests that need to be in the Bulletin:  
Kyle Richardson - 495-7106  
Dorthy Jean Smith - 444-5437

### GROW TEAM MEETINGS

**Correspondence** - Sunday evenings after worship *see Kyle Richardson.*

**Visitation/Bible Study** - For assignments see *Brian Horner.*

**Member Care** - Regarding Member needs contact *Mel Hebert: 443-7779.*

**Flower Request** - Please call *Danise Fisher: 237-3239*

## Bethel Church of Christ

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October 18, 2009

Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM

Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

### Lord Help My Unbelief

In **Mark 9** we read of a father who was in despair because of his child.

His love for his son is evident and he tried to do everything that he could to find relief for him. You see, as the man said, he “*pineth away.*” (Mark 9:18) In other words he was wasting away there was nothing he could do.

I'm sure he felt helpless.

The man had faith in what the disciples could do but when he brought him to them they could do nothing. (v.18) He says to Jesus out of hope and desperation, “*If thou canst do anything have compassion on us and help us.*” (v. 22) Can't you feel for this father and the plight that he is in.

Many of us have been in situations when we are so perplexed and overwhelmed that we are driven to despair. Can't you relate to him? I can, I've been there.

Jesus responded back “*...If thou canst!*” Was Jesus upset? Maybe, but by what follows He said “*All things are possible to him that believeth.*” (v. 23) To me Jesus is reassuring the man that He can heal his son. After all the man would not have brought his son there if he didn't think there was hope. So, this man cried out “I believe; help thou mine unbelief” (v. 24)

Sometimes we falter and we sin. Even with the best of intentions we slip up. I think of Peter. Man can I relate to him. He was ready to die for his Lord, (Matthew 26: 35). and indeed he did defend Christ. (John 18:10) However, he did exactly as Jesus said he would. He denied Him. (Matthew 26:75). The Bible says “*he bitterly wept...*” Now looking back and with study we say that Peter was strong in the faith, yet he messed up. Like Peter we usually know our sins and we are grieved by them. Sometimes even beat ourselves up and think we can't go on. It's in times like these

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that we, too, cry out "Father help my unbelief." Why? Because we want to do what is right.

As brothers and sisters we are to help each other during these rough times. (Galatians 6:2) We are not there to browbeat, and constantly point out others faults, but to encourage, build up and help each other to grow, (Ephesians 4:15) step by step until we no longer need milk but the meat of God's Word. (Hebrews 5:12)

What blessing we gain by helping others grow in Christ's examples in this way.

David Shearer – Marhsalltown church of Christ



***Remember to set your clocks back  
an hour next Saturday night!  
Daylight Savings Time ends next  
Sunday, November 1st.***

A man was sitting on a hard bumpy, elevated piece of rock, fishing. His wife watched him for a while and then commented to their daughter, "Is this the same man who complains every Sunday that the church pews are too uncomfortable?"

Via Bulletin Digest



### ***Remember in Prayer***

#### **Shut Ins:**

Vallie Andrews  
Fannie Bell Warren  
Janelle Arrington

#### **Others:**

Bradley & Betty Glover  
Hollis Cluck  
The Pfaffs - Missionaries  
Diane Chopay  
Vickie Wade  
Craig Cook  
Judy Higgins  
Muril Todd  
Karen Hudson - cancer  
Dorthy Huffines - cancer  
Christy Garrett  
The Entire Bryan Family  
Annie Smith  
JW Smith  
Elisha Garrett  
Margie Taylor  
Jerry Garrett  
Billy Brewer  
Lila Kirk

### **Daily Bible Reading**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>MORN.</b>	<b>EVE.</b>
Sunday	Jer 48	1 Tim 2
Monday	Jer 49	1 Tim 3
Tuesday	Jer 50	1 Tim 4
Wednesday	Jer 51	1 Tim 5
Thursday	Jer 52	1 Tim 6
Friday	Lam 1-2	2 Tim 1
Saturday	Lam 3-4	2 Tim 2

*"I can do all things  
through Christ who  
strengthens me."*

***Phillipians 4:13***

#### **This Week's Bible Trivia:**

Q - What Queen was desposed for refusing to obey her drunken husband?

Check back next week for the answer!

#### **Last Week's Trivia:**

Q - What Psalm has four verses alike?

A - Psalm 107