

Serving This Week:

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Howell Todd

Song Leader: Kyle Richardson

Opening Prayer: Howell Todd

Lord's Supper

Presiding: Ken Grandstaff

Serving: Eric Horne

Kyle Richardson

Preaching: Howell Todd

Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Sunday Evening

Opening Prayer: Kyle Richardson

Preaching: Howell Todd

Closing Prayer: Brian Horner

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer: Kyle Richardson

Devotional: Howell Todd

Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Serving Next Sunday:

Lord's Supper: Brian Horner

Preaching: Brian Horner

Opening Prayer: Howell Todd

Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

To all our visitors - Welcome!
We hope you will come back and
worship with us soon!

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TN Children's Home Food Drive:

- 100% Bottled Apple Juice
- Canned Potatoes
- Bar Soap

Directory:

Please update your contact
information for the new directory in
the back.

Bible Class Topics:

Sunday morning - Ephesians

Wed evening - Revelation

Six-year-old Angie and her four-
year-old brother Joel were sitting
together during church services.
Joel giggled and talked out loud.
Finally, his big sister had enough.

"You're not supposed to talk out
loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?"
Joel asked.

Angie pointed to the back of the
church and said, "See those two
men standing by the door? They're
hushers."

TEAM MEETINGS

Correspondence - Sunday evenings
after worship see Kyle Richardson.

Visitation/Bible Study - For
assignments see Brian Horner.

Member Care - Regarding Member
needs contact Kyle Richardson.

Flower Request - Please call Lynda
Ann Sparkman: 444.0938(h) 587.8187(c)

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Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

Way of Life

There is an expression sometimes used by people to explain behavior. It goes something like this - "This is just the way I am" or "That is just the way he/she is."

People do have "ways". Billy Joel even wrote these lyrics, "She's got a way about her, don't know what it is, but I know that I can't live without her." Everybody is unique, and every person has a certain way they go about living their life.

But one thing each individual should keep in mind is that we are not locked into a certain lifestyle. The liar doesn't have to lie just because he has always been a liar. The same could be said for any other sin. The fact is that we choose our way of living. We make a decision about who we are and what we believe every single day.

Since such is the case, then we can also change the way we practice our Christianity. We don't have to be Sunday morning only Christians, even if that is all we have ever been. We don't have to keep from being more involved in the work of the church, just because we have never been involved in the past. We don't have to lack zeal for evangelism, just because in our former days we have lacked the nerve necessary to save a lost soul.

What we need to do is really very simple. We need to pray earnestly that God will change our hearts and make us aware of our spiritual shortcomings. Then we need to follow up by changing our behavior and making a habit of doing the things we have always wanted to do for Christ. We can change our way of life! We can do things differently than we have done them in the past!

Peter wrote about the importance of no longer living the rest of our time in the flesh for the sake of sin, but instead, living for the will of God. The point is that God has the power to not only save us from death; He has the power to change our life for today. That is a very exciting proposition! We don't have to wait until Jesus comes again to be

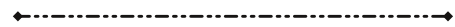
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blessed. We can be blessed immediately by simply making the choice to live for God today.

We need to stop making excuses for our lack or involvement in the kingdom. We must stop saying to ourselves that who we are and what we practice is good enough. We must stop telling ourselves that the way we live our Christian life is as good as we can do, because that is just the way we are.

Faithfulness is the way of life.
Commitment is a way of life.
Evangelism is a way of life. Humility is a way of life. Kindness is a way of life. We can do anything we want to do. We can be anything we want to be. Nothing is impossible with God! "For to me to live is Christ..."

Philippians 1:21.

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Via Bulletin Digest*



"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long."

Psalms 25:4-5

DO YOU LOVE LIFE?

We like short easy prescriptions on how to live life. If someone will tell us how to be rich or be in good health in three easy lessons that person will get our attention and money. There are hundreds of diets that will let you lose hundreds of pounds without cutting down on your eating. Those are the diets I like.

The Bible does give us a short simple plan for enjoying life and seeing good days. It is found in **1 Peter 3:10-11**, "*For he that will love life and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: Let him eschew evil and do good; let him seek peace and ensue it.*"

There it is folks! Very simple:

1. "*Let him refrain his tongue from evil.*"
2. "*His lips they speak no guile.*"
3. "*Let him eschew evil.*" (Turn away from.)
4. "*Let him seek peace and ensue it.*"

The Bible isn't complicated. All we have to do is read it and obey it.

Via Bulletin Digest

Remember in Prayer

Shut Ins:

Vallie Andrews
Fannie Bell Warren
Janelle Arrington

Others:

Hollis Cluck
Vickie Wade - *cancer*
Muril Todd
Karen Hudson - *cancer*
Christy Garrett
The Bryan Family
Annie and JW Smith
Margie Taylor
Priscilla and Patrick Graves
Jessica Thompson
Dan Smith
Diane Grandstaff and family
William Wells - *inoperable condition*
Joe Allen
Bonnie Richardson - *cancer*
Linda Kay Edwards - *surgery recovery*
Dylan Speck - *kidney problems*
Haily Speck - *melanoma*
Edna Forbes
Jackie Wright
Mary L'Heureux

Daily Bible Reading

Day	Scripture
Sunday (<i>Epistles</i>)	1 Corinthians 1-2
Monday (<i>The Law</i>)	Genesis 32-35
Tuesday (<i>History</i>)	Judges 17-21
Wednesday (<i>Psalms</i>)	Psalms 24-26
Thursday (<i>Poetry</i>)	Job 17-18
Friday (<i>Prophecy</i>)	Isaiah 45-50
Saturday (<i>Gospels</i>)	Matthew 23-25

February Birthdays:

21st - Edna Forbes

24th - Delores Wright

Two Little Boys

A couple had two little boys, ages 8 and 10, who were excessively mischievous. The two were always getting into trouble and their parents could be assured that if any mischief occurred in their town their two young sons were in some way involved.

The parents were at their wits end as to what to do about their sons' behavior. The mother had heard that a preacher in town had been successful in disciplining children in the past, so she asked her husband if he thought they should send the boys to speak with him.

The husband said, "We might as well. We need to do something before I really lose my temper!" The preacher agreed to speak with the boys, but asked to see them individually. The 8 year old went to meet with him first. The preacher sat the boy down and asked him sternly, "Where is God?"

The boy made no response, so the preacher repeated the question in an even sterner tone, "Where is God?" Again the boy made no attempt to answer. So the preacher raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face, "WHERE IS GOD?"

At that the boy bolted from the room and ran directly home, slamming himself in the closet. His older brother followed him into the closet and asked what had happened. The younger brother replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time. God is missing and they think we did it."

This Week's Bible Trivia:

Q - What king was smitten with leprosy because he attempted to burn incense in the temple?

Check back next week for the answer!

Last Week's Trivia:

Q - What king's name came be spelled the same forward or backward.

A - Asa. 1 Kings 15:8-14