

Serving This Week:

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Brian Horner
Song Leader: Kyle Richardson
Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Lord's Supper
Presiding: Brian Horner
Serving: Eric Horne
Ken Grandstaff
Preaching: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Dan Smith

Sunday Evening

Opening Prayer: Dan Smith
Preaching: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer: Howell Todd
Devotional: Brian Horner
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Serving Next Sunday:

Lord's Supper: Ken Grandstaff
Preaching: Howell Todd
Opening Prayer: Dan Smith
Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

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

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Men's Business Meeting:

After services this evening.

Holiday Dinner:

Tentative date - Dec 15. Let us
know if this doesn't work for
you.

Pantry Restock:

Thank you for all the donations!
Please let us know of anyone in
our community who needs help!

***"Above all, keep loving one
another earnestly, since love
covers a multitude of sins.
Show hospitality to one
another without grumbling.
As each has received a gift,
use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's
varied grace"***

1 Peter 4:8-10

God's Plan of Salvation

Hear the Word
(Rom 10:17)

Believe in Jesus
(John 8:24)

Repent of your sins
(Luke 13:3)

Confess faith in Christ
(Rom 10:10)

Be Baptized for forgiveness of sins
(Acts 2:38)

Live **Faithfully**
(1 Cor. 15:58)

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Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM
Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM
Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

Life-Long Commitment to Jesus Christ

"Jesus said, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake, he is the one who will save it. For what is a man profited if he gains the whole world, and loses or forfeits himself?" (Luke 9:23-25)

Becoming a Christian is the most radical step you will ever take. The cost is high, and it takes surrendering all. Yet, the cost is low, and anyone can give it. It doesn't take much of a person to be a Christian, just all of you there is. In coming to the Son of the living God, you must say "no" to self and "yes" to God. When one is baptized (immersed) by faith into Christ for the remission of sins (**Acts 2:38, Rom. 6:3-4**), there is death to past life of immaturity and selfishness. When you come out of the water, there is the new, exciting life of limitless possibilities. In this adventure of faith, your life will count for something in the overall scheme of things. It's not that life is so short, but it's that we're dead for so very long.

Each of us are on a journey to eternity. Are you on the road with Jesus to heaven? When you decide to obey the gospel, it is a good idea to afterward write down exactly why you became a Christian.

Here's what one anonymous teen wrote: "I have stepped over the line. My decision has been made. In baptism, I have become a lifelong disciple of Jesus Christ. I will not look back, let up, slow down, back away or be stopped. My past is forgiven, my present has a purpose and my future is secure as I live for Christ. I am finished with trying to fit in to please other people and always trying to make them lie me. I don't have to always be first, noticed, praised, or popular in the eyes of other people. I have decided to live my life out loud for God. I learn by faith, I love by practice, I live by prayer and God give me power. My pace is set, and my goal is heaven. The road is narrow, the way is rough, my friends may be few but my mission is clear. I will not be bought, turned away or delayed. I won't give up, back up, let up or shut up, until I have humbly spoken up, prayed up, stood up and stayed up for the cause of my

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Savior. God's Word is my weapon, Satan and hate are my enemies, love is my gift to others. I am a follower of Jesus Christ. I must go until He returns, give until it hurts, reach out until I drop, and work until He comes. When the Lord returns to take home His children, He will have not problem recognizing me, because I will have lived my life out loud for Him!"

W. Frank Walton
Shallowater, TX

Noah's Ark

Everything I need to know about life, I learned from Noah's ark!

ONE: Don't miss the bot.

TWO: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

THREE: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.

FOUR: Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

FIVE: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

SIX: Build your future on high ground.

SEVEN: For safety sake, travel in pairs.

EIGHT: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.

NINE: When you're stressed, float a while.

TEN: Remember the Ark was built by amateurs; the titanic by professionals.

ELEVEN: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.

The Prayer List

My name is on the list for prayer,
In my distres and need;
The bulletin made the church aware,
It's there for all to read.

Pray oft for me, and prayers renew,
Give God my name with care;
How would you have me prayer for you,
If yours were listed there?

J. Randal Matheny
Bulletin Digest

MOST OF THE TIME

One day this week I was talking to a man who was supposed to be a Christian. He told me that he "attended services most of the time" and seemed to think that this put him in good fellowship with God. I am amazed that so many people take this attitude. Think about this:

1. What if a husband was only faithful to his wife "most of the time"?
2. What if a man just showed up for work "most of the time"?
3. What if your car only started "most of the time"?
4. What if your heart beat just "most of the time"?

Now why do men think that they can please God by being faithful "most of the time"? God requires our best. We can do more please God by being faithful most of the time than you can please your wife by being faithful to her "most of the time."

Jimmy Jividen
Monticello AR

"O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forevermore."

Psalm 131:3

Remember in Prayer

Shut Ins:

Vallie Andrews
Fannie Bell Warren
Janelle Arrington
William Wells

Others:

Hollis Cluck
Muril Todd
Karen Hudson - cancer
Christy Garrett
The Bryan Family
Annie and JW Smith
Margie Taylor
Priscilla and Patrick Graves
Jessica Richardson
Dan Smith
Diane Grandstaff and family
Joe Allen
Linda Kay Edwards - surgery recovery
Dylan Speck - kidney problems
Haily Speck - melanoma
Edna Forbes
Janice Garrett
Carol Goins - Mary L.'s sister
Lila Kirk
Wanda Gates - cancer

Please call to inform us of News items or Prayer Requests: Kyle Richardson (495-7106) Dorothy Jean Smith (444-5437)

Daily Bible Reading

| Day | Scripture |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Sunday (Epistles) | 1 Peter 4-5 |
| Monday (The Law) | Deuteronomy 13-15 |
| Tuesday (History) | Ezra 1-5 |
| Wednesday (Psalms) | Psalms 131-133 |
| Thursday (Poetry) | Ecclesiastes 7-8 |
| Friday (Prophecy) | Zechariah 1-7 |
| Saturday (Gospels) | Acts 15-16 |

November Birthdays:

20 - Lynda Ann Sparkman
22 - Brian Horner