

Serving This Week:

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Howell Todd

Song Leader: Brian Horner

Opening Prayer: Dan Higgins

Scripture Reading: Mel Hebert

Lord's Supper:

Presiding: Howell Todd

Serving: Aaron Hebert

Ken Grandstaff

Preaching: Brian Horner

Closing Prayer: Bob Fisher

Sunday Evening

Opening Prayer: Mel Hebert

Preaching: Singing Night

Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer: Kyle Richardson

Devotional: Mel Hebert

Closing Prayer: Dan Higgins

Serving Next Sunday:

Pres. Lord's Supper: William Glover

Preaching:

Opening Prayer: Bob Fisher

Closing Prayer: Ken Grandstaff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tonight is Singing Night!
Following worship we will have
a potluck meal.

Please sign up in back to help
clean the building.

Men, sign up in the back to
preach the next two months.

Please call to inform us of
News items or Prayer Requests
that need to be in the Bulletin:
Kyle Richardson - 495-7106
Dorothy 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

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Sunday Bible Study: 10 AM

Sunday Morning Worship: 11 AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 PM

Wed Bible Study: 7 PM

The Secret Service

When you hear the term "Secret Service" I would guess that most of you think about those that guard the president of the United States and other dignitaries. You would be right in that assumption. The "Secret Service" is under the United States Treasury department and their activities are not limited just with protecting important folks. Among other things they are designated with a watchful eye of protecting our currency from counterfeiters plus many other duties.

I want you to contemplate this for a spell, there is another type of "Secret Service" that is found in the Lord's church. You see, there is a huge contingency of workers in the employ of God's Secret Service. What are you thinking, you may ask?

Well, let me explain. There is nothing covert or sinister about these "Secret Servants," they are merely going about serving God in a quiet unobtrusive way. They are not seeking public praise or a pat on the back, which they so often deserve. They take to heart what our Lord said, "*Take heed that ye do not your righteousness before men, to be seen of them: else ye have no reward with your Father who is in heaven.*" **Matthew 6:1**, go ahead and read thru **verse 4**.

Folks who are "rank and file" members of this special secret fraternity know where their treasure is stored. **Matthew 6:19-21**. Yet, these quiet individuals are not doing these thing for just some reward, but because they want to, and because it is the fitting and proper thing to do. Whatever task is at hand they silently go forward without murmur or complaint, nor is there boasting of their accomplishment, or how hard working they have been or how tired they are.

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Nope, they do not seek the glory of men as the hypocrites do that they may have the glory of men. "...not in the way of eye service, as men-pleasers; but as servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; with good will doing service, as unto the Lord, and not unto men:"

Ephesians 6:6-7.

I work so hard for Jesus I often boast and say, "I've sacrificed a lot of things to walk the narrow way, I gave up fame and fortune; I'm worth a lot to Thee," and then I hear Him gently say to me, "I left the throne of glory and counted it but loss, my hands were nailed in anger upon a cruel cross... So lift your cross and follow close to me."

From the words of Ira F. Stanphill in the song "Follow Me."

I'm so thankful for those who are in the Lord's "Secret Service," Are you a part of that group of servants?

--David Shearer, Marshalltown church of Christ

Just Be Sincere

A popular religious saying is "It makes no difference what you believe just as long as you are sincere." Ironically, this is not true in any other realm.

Image a chemistry lab where there are three bottles on the table.

One bears the symbol H2SO4 (sulfuric acid), one bears the symbol HCL (hydrochloric acid), and yet another bears the symbol H2O (water).

To the untrained eye, all three bottles appear to be the same... all are liquids and all are colorless. But a sincere person, mistaking the sulfuric acid for water, is no less dead than another person who drank the acid intentionally. One was sincerely wrong, but both are sincerely dead!

Thought: It does make a difference- in fact, an eternal difference in what a person believes. Some doctrines will condemn our souls, while other doctrines (teachings) will save our souls (1 John 9). Think about it...
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**Remember
in Prayer**

Shut Ins:

- Vallie Andrews
- Fannie Bell Warren
- Janelle Arrington

Others:

- Bradley & Betty Glover
- Hollis Cluck
- The Pfaffs - Missionaries
- Ruth Judkins
- Diane Chopay
- Vickie Wade
- Craig Cook
- Judy Higgins
- Muril Todd
- The entire Bryan Family
- Karen Hudson - cancer
- Diane G.'s mother - asthma
- Charles Grisham
- Christy Garrett

July Birthdays

- 6 - Diane Grandstaff
- 10 - Fannie Warren
- 13 - Austin Horne
- 15 - Vallie Andrews
- 23 - Robert Glover

July Anniversaries

- 3 - William and Sheila
- 3 - Mel and Barbara

Daily Bible Reading

DATE	MORN.	EVE.
July 5	2 CH 3-4	PS 119:73-96
July 6	2 CH 5-6	PS 119:97-120
July 7	2 CH 7-8	PS 119:121-144
July 8	2 CH 9-10	PS 119:145-176
July 9	2 CH 11-13	PS 120-122
July 10	2 CH 14-16	PS 123-126
July 11	2 CH 17-18	PS 127-130

This Week's Bible Trivia:

Q - Who was hanged on a gallows he had prepared for another?
Check back next week for the answer!

Last Week's Trivia:

Q - What prophet cursed little children for calling him names?
A - Elisha. (2 Kings 2:23-24)