

*****PREPARE COMMUNION*****

September - Sam and Nicole Garner
October - Joe and Sharlette Watson

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

TODAY - Bonnie Jones * September 9- LaRhonda Billingsley

CHILDREN'S HOME NEEDS

Toilet paper * Toothpaste * Dishwashing detergent * Disinfectant cleaner (non-aerosol) * Cereal * Marshmallows (pick-up date is December 10)

OUR RECORD FOR LAST WEEK

Attendance 143
Contribution \$4002

FOOD PANTRY

SEPT ITEMS: DRIED GREAT NORTHERN BEANS
canned spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, pork n beans (on sale through Tuesday at Town N Country)

Happy Birthday:

- September 3 - Jeanie Robinson
Jane Smith
- September 4 - Sonny Ingle
- September 6 - Sonny Allen
Katie Paige Williams
Micah Woods
- September 7 - Stan Flowers
- September 8 - Darrell Zimmerman



Bible Trivia:

Who fell asleep during a sermon and died as the result?

Last Week's Answer:

In 1 Samuel 7:12, the word "Ebenezer" is described as "The Lord helped us"

It's coming! We are in the process of preparing for a new congregational directory, using an online program that will allow members to download the directories into their smart phones. Paper directories will also be available - more information to follow.

SERVING TODAY

September 2, 2018

Song Leader.....Tim Woods
Opening Prayer.....Jeff Martin

LORD'S TABLE

David Burleson.....Joe Watson
Zack Tanner.....David Howard
Johnny McGowan.....Bud McQuin
Scripture.....Jerry Burleson
Prayer.....Rodney Williams
Announcements.....Ron Garner
Dismissal.....Morris Karnes

Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Wayne Reams
Prayer.....David Carson
Scripture.....Jacob Clayton
Matthew 22: 29-33

Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Song Leader.....Jacob Clayton
Prayer.....Ron Garner
Dismissal.....David Carson

September 9, 2018

Song Leader.....Morris Karnes
Opening Prayer.....David Burleson

LORD'S TABLE

Jeff Martin.....Jon Neely
Rick Beaird.....Jeff McGowan
Sam Garner.....Alex Garner
Scripture.....Ben Martin
Prayer.....Zack Tanner
Announcements.....Wayne Reams
Dismissal.....Jerry Burleson

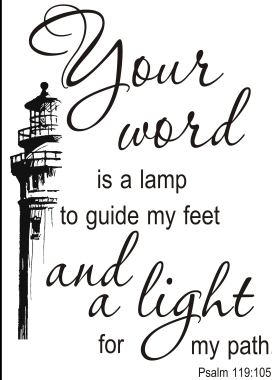
Sunday Evening

Song Leader.....Ronnie Mays
Prayer.....Justin Allen
Scripture.....Rodney Williams
Matthew 22: 34-37

Dismissal.....Joe Watson

COUNT SEPT CONTRIBUTION

Rodney Williams.....Jon Neely
Tim Flowers.....David Carson



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30AM
Worship.....10:15AM
Worship.....6:00PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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ELDERS

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TRUE LIGHT

September 2, 2018

The Three Fold Path

Paul leaves us a precious gem in his first letter to the new believers in Thessalonica. Paul's other letters share insight into this three-fold gem, and there, as we will see later, he goes deeper into the activity connected to this triad of grace.

In the apostle Paul's letters, he says a lot concerning the various aspects of faith, hope and love. Of course, the most prominent and best known is that found in the letter to Corinth. Paul writes: *But now faith, hope, love abide these three; but the greatest of these is love* (1 Corinthians 13:13)

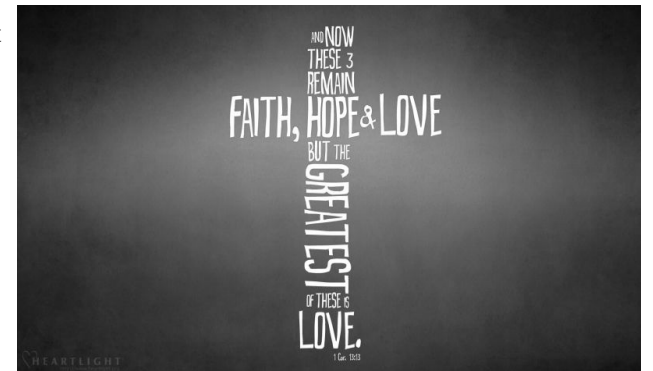
This final statement follows Paul's lengthy and beautiful description and definition of love.

The Holy Spirit sums up the meaning of faith quite well in the letter we know as Hebrews: *Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen* (Hebrews 11:1)

Hope finds many expressions in scripture, both in defining what hope is and pointing to the benefits of hope. God is *the God of Hope* (Romans 15:13). Paul also describes hope as a great motivator: *The plowman ought to plow in hope, and the thresher to thresh in hope of sharing the crops* (1 Corinthians 9:10)

One passage, however, defines the interrelationship between faith, hope and love. In this passage, Paul connects faith, hope and love as a triad of activity rather than just a set of defined ideals. We work as a result of our faith, love motivates our labor, and the culmination of these is an unfailing hope in Jesus and the Father. Listen to what Paul says to affirm the brothers and sisters in Thessalonica: *We give thanks to God always for all of you, making mention of you in our prayers; constantly bearing in mind your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father...*(1 Thessalonians 1: 2-3).

How beautifully these three words speak to the fullness of our Christian walk! They remind us that our discipleship is no fragmented set of endeavors, no set of laws to fulfill, and no heavy burden to bear. Rather, life in Jesus is an invigorating union of trust-producing, heart-fulfiling and hope supported power. If the whole of the Law and the Prophets is summed up in loving God and man (Matthew 22: 27-40), then the whole path to doing so is summed up in lives filled with faith, hope and love. Love may well be the *greatest of these*, but it does not stand alone!
Bill Sherrill, Kingdom Leadership



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal: BBQ, baked potatoes, baked beans and coleslaw. Desserts will be needed.

September 7 -9: BYC Annual Area Wide Retreat

September 9: Singing at Ridgeview Living in Malden at 2 p.m.

September 9: Our evening worship service will be held at Bernie Park (weather permitting). Following worship, we will have a light meal and ice cream social. Bring finger foods, desserts and homemade ice cream. You may also wish to bring a lawn chair.

September 11: Ladies Lunch Out at 11:30 at Huddle House in Dexter. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer if you wish to attend.

Looking Ahead

Ladies' Day at Anna, IL Sept. 15, with guest speaker Juli Sterchi. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery

Mary & Martha meeting at 6:30 p.m. September 17. Sonja Mays is the hostess

Children's Home Homecoming/Fish Fry September 29

Ladies Day at Central Church of Christ September 22. There is "Get Connected." More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

Bridal Shower for Hannah Dauck and Riley Compton Sept. 29. Hannah is registered at Target, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Corner Cottage and Traveler's Joy.

Annual Lectureship at Harding University September 30-Oct 3. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

Ladies Retreat at Bootheel Youth Camp Oct. 5 and 6, hosted by the Dexter congregation.. The theme is, "There's no place like home." There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer with more information.

Bridal shower for Ashley Williams and Cole Johnson Oct. 27. Ashley is registered at Wal-Mart.

Gospel Meeting at Bernie with Keith Parker October 28-31. Make plans now to attend.

TAX EXEMPT INVESTMENTS

A tax assessor came one day to a poor minister of the gospel to determine the amount of taxes the minister would have to pay. "What property do you possess?" asked the assessor. "I am very wealthy," replied the minister. "List your possessions, please," the assessor instructed.

"I have everlasting life (John 3:16), a mansion in heaven (John 14:2), peace that passeth understanding (Phil. 4:17), joy unspeakable (1 Peter 1:8), a faithful and pious wife (Prov. 31:10), healthy, happy obedient children (Exod. 20:12), true loyal friends (Prov. 18:24), and a crown of life (James 1:12)."

The tax assessor closed his book and said, "Truly you are a very rich man, but your property is not subject to taxation." How very few people realize that the greatest blessings are tax free! How many work and strive for more of the taxable possessions (which they must soon leave here), and go from this life as spiritual paupers, with "no treasure" for eternity. "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." --selected

CORRECTED ADDRESS CHANGE: In last week's bulletin the street name for Pam Claeys' new residence was misspelled. The correct street name is "Morelan" as opposed to "Moreland."

Lifting up in Prayer...

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Max and Judy Snyder have both been struggling with health issues but are doing better now. Max is now cancer free!* Joy Watson had some tests recently * Marty Watson recently fell and needed stitches * James Wood will have a treatment for cancer this week * Jessica Payne, a young mother from Fisk, who is terminally ill with cancer

CONTINUING PRAYERS

(congregational)

Louella Akers * John David Barnett * Mary Burke * David Burleson * Jerry Burleson * Pam Claeys * Billie Cooper * Scott and Judy Flannery * Sue Flowers * Grant Howard * Phyllis Howard * Jeff Martin * Sonja Mays * Jeff McGowan * Ida Roberts * Gayle Rodgers * Elwood Rush * David Terrill * Max Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Cindy Williams * Darrell Zimmerman * Pansy Zimmerman

*...Pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.....
James 5:16.*

Prayer is a special blessing. Help us keep our prayer list up to date by letting Amy know of any prayer requests or updates you would like to have in the bulletin.



CONTINUING PRAYERS

(non congregational)

Cancer

Ryder Boles
Roxanne Carson
Debbie Chrisman
Kevin Flowers
Tommy Jacques
Connie Lemmons
Annette Lumsden
Phil McKuIn
Betty Nicholson
Donnie Rawlings
Deanna Rogers
Marty Watson
Diane Wilder

Other Health Issues

Beaver Blocker (Alzheimer's)
Lauren Coffey (pregnancy)
Ruth Dauck (recent injury)
Roy Greer (COPD)
Hannah Guntert (high risk pregnancy)
Blanche Horseman (poor health)
Gene Karnes
Beckie King (MS)
Lila Rose (premature infant)
Alvin Miller (poor health)
Tom Provance
Traci Riley (poor health)
Geraldine Tomah (poor health)

OUR SHUT INS

Ridgeview Living/Malden -

Bertha Skidgell #201

Isaac Wheeler

Shirley Johnson

Max Terrill #207

Gideon Care Center -

Sue Flowers #102

Winchester Place -

Travis Cooper #7

Central Garden -

Lois McKuIn #117

Mary Burke #303

AT HOME

Judy & Scott Flannery

Gayle Rodgers

Pam Claeys