

TRUE LIGHT

Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. ~ Psalm 119:105

March 22, 2020

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study....9:30AM Worship......10:15AM Worship......5:00PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00PM

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"This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalms 118:24

We Welcome You To All Of Our Services

PEACE BE WITH YOU!

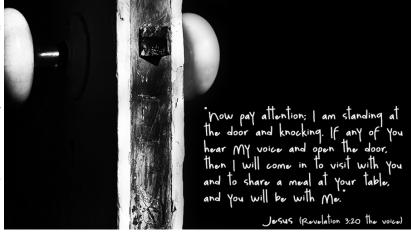
The current world situation is a new journey for all of us. No matter where life's circumstances might take us, Jesus has promised us His presence. Our hope is rooted in Him. Jesus defeated Satan and his power to destroy us. The Lord promised to be with us in the challenging moments we face. He will not only sustain us; He has also promised to go with us and fill our lives with peace, joy and love.

But, can we really put our trust in Jesus? It sounds too good to be true in a world of gritty reality and global problems. At this moment in time, a new phrase dominates the public conversation: "social distancing." Before the coronavirus (COVID 19) reared its ugly and destructive head, I'm not sure I had ever heard this phrase in conversation. These days, however, locking ourselves in our home seems to be the primary solution to preventing the spread of a feared disease. Some minimize the threat, calling it overblown, while grocery stores and pharmacies are out of sanitizer, wipes and toilet paper. In moments like these, who are we to believe? What are we to do? How are we to live as followers of Jesus?

We are not the first generation of believers trying to find our way through challenging times,

feeling alone, isolated from the crowds, and trying not to be fearful. The first band of believers had locked themselves in a private room because they feared those who had crucified their Messiah. As they hid from what they feared might harm them, the Lord came to them and said, "Peace be with you!"

I don't know about you, but concerns for aging parents and worries about immunecompromised family mem-



bers press against my heart. I don't want to be fearful. I don't want life's problems to dominate my thoughts. What can I do when worry and fear press against my hope? How do I keep the uncertainties and doubts of the moment outside? How do I grow my faith and resist the devil's viral tools of fear and worry?

Communion! The Supper of the Lord!

As we enter into the time to honor the Lord's death through the Supper, let's have our time at the Table become a moment to invite the Lord of grace and power into our presence. Remember Jesus' promise given to the believers in Laodicea when their hearts were waning in their trust in and passion for him:

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me (Revelation 3:20).

Remember, Jesus didn't say these words to unbelievers for an altar call. The Lord spoke them initially to people like us, people of faith, and for times like we now face. Rather than letting our hearts grow cold to Jesus during trying times, the Lord wants us to invite Him into our presence so he can bring us his peace!

After all, in this time of uncertainty, isn't that what we most need?

"Peace be with you!"

Phil Ware www.heartlight.com

PREPARE COMMUNION

March - n/a April - David and Cindy Burleson

NURSERY ATTENDANTS TODAY - none * March 29 - none

OUR RECORD FOR LAST WEEK

Attendance 119 Contribution \$3810

CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Pancake mix * sugar * cream of celery soup * hair spray (non aerosol) * men's stick deodorant * snack bars

PICK UP DATE IS TOMORROW

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Cereal * canned spaghetti sauce * crackers * canned vegetables Monetary donations are appreciated.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

"...I was sick and you visited me..." Matthew 25:36

Remember: Jeff McGowan will have a PET scan March 31 and see his doctor April 3. Two spots were found on his tongue at his last checkup * Curtis McClard remains in St. Louis following surgery Thursday to clean out the infection in his ankle * Helen McGowan did not get a good report at her last doctor visit * Woody Wood has been sick with the flu * David Carson will see his doctor tomorrow * Tammy Telker (daughter of Rick and Paulette Kennedy, and cousin to Jennifer Adams) has been diagnosed with inflammatory breast cancer * Paul Ensor (Cathy Provance's cousin's husband) bladder cancer treatments are no longer working and he is too weak to try another regimen * Sharlette Watson

Continue praying for these members of our church family: Louella Akers * John David Barnett * David Burleson * Pam Claeys * Billie Cooper * Scott and Judy Flannery * Sue Flowers * Grant Howard * Darlene McGowan * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Kevin Mickey * Reba Owens * Ida Roberts * Gayle Rodgers * Waynetta Rodgers * Elwood Rush * Jane Smith * David Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Joy Watson * Marty Watson * Pansy Zimmerman

Those dealing with cancer (non congregational):

Kristi Altman * Roxanne Carson * Sherry Chambers * Dale Eaton * Carole Eubanks * Bill Fitzpatrick * Kim Goins * LeAnn Jacques * Tommy Jacques * Pam Jeralds * Andy Kelley * Connie Lemmons * Annette Lumsden * Phil McKuin * Ponna Mahan * Paula Mason * Betty Nicholson * Donnie Rawlings * Gerald Robertson * Deanna Rogers * Bobby Thornton

Other health issues (non-congregational):

Megan Brenna * DeeDee Burch * Mary Burke * Renee Goodman *Clyde Jacques * Lola Johnson * Beckie King * Nikki Lawrence * Sonja Mays * Alvin Miller * Tom Provance * Gene Rowland * Traci Suiter * Paige Tanner

Our Shut Ins

Lois McKuin * Marty Watson * Joy Watson * Elwood Rush * Sue Flowers * Travis Cooper * Shirley Johnson * Isaac wheeler * Fern Botsch

In Sympathy:

Sympathy is extended to the family of our brother Darrell Zimmerman, who passed away Saturday, March 14. Darrell's funeral was held Tuesday, March 17, at Rainey Mathis in Bernie.

REMINDER: All activities/meetings have been cancelled or postponed until further notice, including Mary and Martha, ladies lunch out, nursing home crafts, and Gospel Meetings, including our Gospel Meeting with Jim Faughn. Please help spread the word.



SERVING TODAY March 22, 2020 **********

MORNING WORSHIP

Song Leader...Morris Karnes Opening Prayer...Jon Neely LORD'S TABLE

(presiding over) Darrin Shipman * David Burleson

Scripture...Zachary Tanner Prayer...Jerry Burleson **Announcements**...Wayne Reams Dismissal...Bud McKuin **Sunday Evening** Song Leader... n/a **Prayer**...n/a **Scripture**...n/a

Dismissal...n/a ********* Wednesday, March 25, 2020

> Song Leader...n/a Praver...n/a Dismissal...n/a

March 29, 2020

Song Leader...Wes Howard Opening Prayer...Darrin Shipman

LORD'S TABLE

(presiding over)

Ron Garner * Zack Tanner

Scripture...Jon Neely

Prayer...Jonathan Simmons Announcements...David Carson

Dismissal...Jeff Rodgers

Sunday Evening

Song Leader...n/a

Prayer...n/a

Scripture...n/a

Dismissal...n/a

COUNT MARCH CONTRIBUTION

Wayne Reams......Jerry McCoy Johnny McGowan......David Howard

CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

BIRTHDAYS

March 22 Susie Blackwell Cindy Burleson **Brooke Smith**

March 23 Alexis Forman Wes Howard Loretta Zimmerman

March 24 Ashley Johnson

March 27 Mary Barnett

ANNIVERSARIES

March 23 Ish and Angie Smith