



# TRUE LIGHT

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

**September 13, 2020**

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **SUNDAY**

Worship:  
9 a.m. (masked)  
10:30 a.m. (masks optional)

### **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***

## **ATTITUDE**

Attitude has so much to do with living the Christian life. A negative attitude will cause one to be overly critical and to see only the dark side of life. Such a perspective can be very depressing. When we see only the bad, we cease to experience the joys of being a Christian.

Our focus should be on the positive. Just look around. See our wonderful world as it was created by God. The sunrise, the majestic mountains, the rivers and oceans, the beautiful flowers, and trees, and all the magnificent wonders of the world were given to us by God to enjoy. What a great love God has for mankind! We are such blessed people. How can we help but be happy?

The positive Christian has hope burning like a flame in his heart. He has learned from God's word about His love for His children and he knows the great price God paid for all of us, not just for His children but for all the souls of the whole world.

*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16).*

Knowing such a price was paid for us, we cannot help but be joyful and confident that, if we remain faithful, we will receive that crown of life that has been promised (Revelation 2:10).

Another of the beauties and joys of this life is the Christian home. A truly Christian home is one with loving, godly parents who are working together to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Such a home has members who desire to spend eternity together in heaven. To achieve this marvelous goal, this family spends time studying together in order to be familiar with God's road map to heaven.

Yes, attitude can make the difference between being saved or being lost. We are the light of the world, a city set on a hill (Matthew 5:14). Let's be sure the world knows that we are happy to be Christians!

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### **HELP WANTED?**

*I lift up my eyes to the hills - where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth (Psalm 121:1-2).*

If this week you are driving alone and see some hills, or you find yourself longing for some help, then remember the words of Psalm 121. Looking at the hills we may long for their help to guide our way and mark our journey, or we may marvel at their immutable nature against the natural elements against them. The hills may help bring us perspective, or perhaps comfort us, so we breathe easier.

Nonetheless, they are not eternal! Consider then, how much greater the help we have, as our lives are guided by the word of God and the cross of Jesus Christ. Ponder also, the immensity of comfort we have from the God of all comfort, who promised to never leave or forsake us.

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## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

### BIRTHDAYS

September 14 - Gaye Miller  
Mindy Pruitt  
September 17 - Charlie Thompson  
September 19 - Pat Cooper  
Rodney Williams  
September 20 - Katie Mayberry



### ANNIVERSARY

September 14 - Jason & Melissa Shelton

## CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Olives \* BBQ Sauce \* Bleach \*  
Country Gravy Mix \* Tortilla Chips \*  
Brown Gravy Mix  
PICK UP DATE OCTOBER 12

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Canned fruits and vegetables \*  
spaghetti noodles and canned sauce  
\*canned tomato products \* cereal  
\* monetary donations appreciated!

Attendance for September 6: 103  
Contribution for September 6: \$6326

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

**Remember:** Jerry Don McGowan is slowly improving from a collapsed lung \* Pam Claeys had an appointment with her oncologist Tuesday \* Sharlette Watson will have tests Sept 22 \* Sonja Mays continues to struggle with health issues \* Helen McGowan should be able to start home dialysis soon \* Kristi Altman (LaRhonda's sister) is not doing well \* Dana Jo Jackson is scheduled to be moved to rehab soon \* Alan Robinson had surgery Friday in St. Louis \* family of Harold Stevens \* Roxanne Carson had an appointment this past week

**Continue praying for these members of our church family:** Louella Akers \* John David Barnett \* David Burluson \* Pam Claeys \* Isaiah Collier \* Billie Cooper \* Scott and Judy Flannery \* Sue Flowers \* Grant Howard \* Jackson Howard \* Morris Karnes \* Sonja Mays \* Darlene McGowan \* Helen McGowan \* Jeff McGowan \* Kevin Mickey \* Reba Owens \* Ida Roberts \* Gayle Rodgers \* Waynetta Rodgers \* Elwood Rush \* Jane Smith \* Leon Smith \* Kevin Steed \* David Terrill \* Bettie Thurston \* Joy Watson \* Marty Watson \* Sharlette Watson

### Those dealing with cancer (non congregational) :

Kristi Altman \* Roxanne Carson \* Sherry Chambers \* Bill Fitzpatrick \* Kim Goins \* LeAnn Jacques \* Tommy Jacques \* Pam Jeralds \* Andy Kelley \* Connie Lemmons \* Annette Lumsden \* Phil McKuin \* Ponna Mahan \* Paula Mason \* Betty Nicholson \* Deanna Rogers \* Tammy Telker \* Bobby Thornton \* Paula Walls

### Other health issues (non-congregational):

DeeDee Burch \* Mary Burke \* Bob Garner \* Dana Jo Jackson \* Clyde Jacques \* Lola Johnson \* Beckie King \* Nikki Lawrence \* 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 \* Fern Botsch

## LADIES DAY

There will be a 2020 Bootheel Ladies Day Saturday, September 26, from 9-noon at the Cape Girardeau West End church of Christ. The Theme will be "Do Not Be Afraid". This ladies day can also be viewed online. If you would like to attend, pre-registration is required. There is no cost to attend. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.



We rejoice with Kristy Altman, who made the decision to put on Christ in baptism last Sunday afternoon. Kristy is the daughter of Vickie McClard and the sister of LaRhonda Billingsley. Congratulations, Kristy, on the best decision you will ever make!

## WORSHIP FROM THE HEART

A little boy asked his father what was the highest number he had ever counted. Re-  
plying that he didn't know, the father asked his son his highest number. It was 973. "Why did you stop there?" wondered the father. "Because church was over."

I suspect that you have probably sat through worship services where your mind was focused on something just as trivial rather than on God. It's easy to let the mind wander. "I can't wait to see the ball game this afternoon." "I wonder what we're having for lunch." "I never noticed before that the carpet down there is starting to unravel a bit." Is it any wonder that we so often leave the worship assembly with the feeling that it wasn't very meaningful?

Worship should be a time when we are confronted with the majesty and glory of God. As we reflect on God's wisdom, we realize how much we need Him in our times of indecision. As we reflect on God's holiness, we are made aware of our own sinfulness and the need for forgiveness. As we reflect on God's love, we realize the effort God has gone to to make that forgiveness possible.

It's not a ritual we go through every week. It is an opportunity to express our praise to the One who means more to us than all the earth. As we truly worship and praise God from the heart, we become more aware of how much we want to live close to Him. We leave with the challenge to "be holy as He is holy."

*Give to the Lord, O families of the peoples, give to the Lord glory and strength. Give to the Lord the glory due His name; bring offering, and come into His courts. Oh, worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth (Psalm 96:7-10).*

## Brief Rules for Bible Study

1. Read it through (get something definite).
2. Write it down (mark your Bible).
3. Work it out (in daily life).
4. Pass it on (tell others).