



# TRUE LIGHT

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

October 2, 2022

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### SUNDAY

Sunday School :

9:30 a.m.

Worship:

10:15 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

### 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**

## Something Simple, Something Glorious

[Jesus promised] *Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life. Very truly I tell you, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live (John 5:24-25).*

Jesus' words *Talitha koum!* were simple: *Little girl, I say to you, get up.* They were just what a parent might say trying to nudge a daughter awake in the morning in time to get breakfast and get to school. Jesus' next words were equally simple, *Give her something to eat.* Almost exactly what someone might expect after a little girl had awakened to begin her busy day - after all, breakfast after a good night of sleep is the most important meal of the day!

Simple words!  
Except...

This little girl was dead at the age of 12 years old. The

dad had come to Jesus for help. Jesus' trip to come and help his little girl had been interrupted by an older woman. Yes, this older woman had deep needs, but his was his daughter, and her life was at stake. Death was closing in on a family about to lose a child, about to face an unspeakably unfair horror. By the time Jesus had helped the older woman, word had begun to spread that Jesus didn't need to trouble himself to come and help the little girl. She had died. It was too late. She was gone. Her family was devastated. The neighbors were mourning (Mark 5:21-43).

*The child is not dead but asleep.* The mourners laughed at these words of Jesus. They knew better. They knew death. Dead people don't rise from the dead. Dead people stay dead. The broken-hearted left behind are never fully mended.

Except...

Jesus ruined every funeral he attended. He was about to quietly ruin this one using simple words of authority and grace.

We gather around the Table of the Lord on the first day of the week just as the first Christians did nearly 2,000 years ago. We often call it Communion. We share a very simple meal of bread and wine; yet in the hands of Jesus, this simple meal is not so simple: this meal is something **"beyond bread and wine."** There is more than just flat bread and grape juice as we take this simple meal. Just as Jesus' words to the girl were simple, yet so much more than anyone could imagine, so also is this bread and wine.

Jesus told us to take and eat this simple bread and drink this simple wine. That we still do today is a reminder that something profound happened. Jesus died. His body was abused - whipped, torn, thorn-pierced, and punctured by nails and spear. That battered body bled. That body died. That body was buried.

However, like that little girl's body that had died, Jesus' body didn't stay dead. In dying, Jesus defeated death, hell, and sin. Then, on the first day of the week, on Sunday, Jesus got up. He got something to eat. He changed everything for us just as he changed everything for Jairus and his family. Death is no longer something we must fear, but it is sleeping yet still alive in Jesus, waiting until the Lord says to us, *Get up!* (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Philippians 1:19-24).

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## BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

October 4 - Faye Dockins  
 Kalee Howard-Foster  
 October 6 - McKenzie Beard  
 Judy Snyder  
 October 8 - Betty McGowan  
 Ken & Sharon Durham  
 October 9 - Bentley Collier



## CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Lasagna Noodles \* Sweetened Condensed Milk \* Sugar \* Deodorant (non-aerosol) \* Hair Gel/Mousse \* Salad Dressings (Ranch, French etc)  
 Pick-up date: **tomorrow**

## WILLING TO SERVE

### October 2, 2022

Morning Worship:

Song Leader .....Joe Watson  
 Opening Prayer.....Jon Neely  
 Scripture.....Jason Karnes  
 Prayer.....Sam Garner  
 Closing Prayer.....Jerry Burleson

Evening Worship:

Song Leader .....Rodney Williams  
 Prayer.....David Carson  
 Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers  
 Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

### Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Song Leader .....Cameron Traw  
 Prayer.....David Carson  
 Dismissal.....Mike Duley

### October 9, 2022

Morning Worship:

Song Leader .....Dylan Seabaugh  
 Opening Prayer.....David Burleson  
 Scripture.....Jeff Rodgers  
 Prayer.....Zack Tanner  
 Closing Prayer.....Justin Allen

Evening Worship:

Song Leader .....Jacob Clayton  
 Prayer.....Wayne Reams  
 Scripture.....David Carson  
 Dismissal.....Rodney Williams

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What we eat from this table is simple: bread and wine (Matthew 26:26).

When we eat is on the day of Jesus' victory, *not* the day of his defeat: life and love triumph over sin, death, and hell (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 15:50-58).

Why we eat is to remember that death does not hold us, hell cannot have us, and sin will not destroy us (Hebrews 2: 14-18).

Our lives, like the life of Jairus' little girl, are joined to the Jesus who has power over the grave (Colossians 3:1-4). Paul reminds us as Christians, those we appear to lose in death are not dead, just sleeping. They await the simple words of Jesus, *I say to you, get up!*

Jairus' little girl, this bread, this wine, and this day coalesce to remind us. They help us remember that Jesus' death was not in vain. Our lives are not lived in vain. Death may appear to mock us, but we are all headed to a rendezvous with Jesus' future for us. This future is based on what is simple - simple words and a simple meal - yet what is simple is leading us to a glory beyond anything we can imagine (Romans 8:18).

Phil Ware, [www.heartlight.com](http://www.heartlight.com)

*In the entire circle of the year there are no days so delightful as those of a fine October.*  
 Alexander Smith

Attendance for September 25: 122 Contribution for September 25: \$3772

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Gayle Rodgers is at home and on hospice care \* Trish Baldwin is improving \* Patsy Hardy will be having some tests done \* Judy Duley has been sick for some time now \* Joy Greer remains in Cypress Point and is improving \* Louella Akers' daughter, Melinda, diagnosed with stage 3 kidney failure \* Don Jackson remains in Cypress Point for rehab \* Marty Howard has been doing a little better \* Janet Wood will schedule knee replacement surgery after seeing her heart doctor \*

Continue praying for these members of our church family: David Burleson \* Janie Burleson \* Scott and Judy Flannery \* Sue Flowers \* Patsy (Hardy) Gregg \* Don Jackson \* Sonja Mays \* Curtis McClard \* Darlene McGowan \* Helen McGowan \* Jeff McGowan \* Kevin Mickey \* Gloria Moore \* Reba Owens \* Ida Roberts \* Gayle Rodgers \* Waynetta Rodgers \* Jane Smith \* Leon Smith \* David Terrill \* Bettie Thurston \* Gunner Townsend \* Marty Watson \* Sharlette Watson \* Woody Wood

## Those dealing with cancer (non congregational) :

Chastity Beard \* Cathy Bennett \* Gina Bogle \* Roxanne Carson \* Sherry Chambers \* Randy Cravens \* Chris Daley \* Bill Fitzpatrick \* Jo Carolyn Flowers-Noe \* Ronnie Goins \* Patricia Greninger \* Nolan Hollowell \* LeAnn Jacques \* Tommy Jacques \* Pam Jeralds \* Holly Johnson Kristin Meadows \* Connie Lemmons \* Ponna Mahan \* Linda Morgan \* Paula Mason \* Betty Nicholson \* Keagan Owens \* Nikki Reif \* Tammy Telker \* Bobby Thornton \* Paula Walls

## Other health issues (non-congregational):

Dixie Billingsley \* DeeDee Burch \* Mary Burke \* Jodi Claeys \* Ruth Dauck \* Jerry Grimes \* Katie Hicks \* Grant Howard \* Clyde Jacques \* Lola Johnson \* Beckie King \* Eva Latham \* Nikki Lawrence \* Shug Lee \* Jerry Don McGowan \* Brenda Robinson \* Kevin Steed \* Traci Suiter \* Paige Tanner \* Heather Whitehead \*

## Our Shut Ins

Louella Akers \* Fern Botsch \* Travis Cooper \* Sue Flowers \* Don Jackson \* Sonja Mays \* Reba Owens \* Bettie Thurston \* Marty Watson \*

## Looking Ahead

First Sunday potluck and early evening service is today. Please make plans to join us for the potluck following morning services.

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The Children's Homes grocery run is tomorrow. Let's get the cart filled up.

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Wednesday night fellowship this week will be hot dogs, soups and chili. Desserts will be needed.

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Men's Retreat at Bootheel Youth Camp October 7 & 8. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

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Widow/widowers luncheon October 11 at noon at the home of David and Loretta Carson. If you need a ride, please let one of them know.

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BYC Cookout and Auction has been rescheduled to October 15 from 11-1 in the cafeteria at camp.

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Ladies Lunch Out October 18 at Malden Country Club.

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Gospel Meeting at Bernie with Brent Newton October 23-26. Make plans now to attend every day!

