



TRUE LIGHT

MAY 5, 2024

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*

Congratulations, Class of 2024!



*Luke Worley
Dexter High School*



*Ryan Young
Dexter High School*



BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

May 5 - Avery Neely
May 6 - Ken Durham
Jeff & Karen McGowan (A)
May 11 - Ryan Young



CHILDREN'S HOMES NEEDS

Salsa/Picante Sauce * Coffee * Cereal *
Tissues * Velveeta Cheese
* Chocolate Chips



Pick up date: May 20

WILLING TO SERVE

May 5, 2024

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
Opening Prayer.....David Carson
Scripture.....Ron Garner
Prayer.....Zack Tanner
Closing Prayer.....Justin Allen

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....David Carson
Prayer.....Wayne Reams
Scripture.....Sam Garner
Dismissal.....Jerry Burleson

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

Song Leader.....Dylan Seabaugh
Prayer.....David Burleson
Dismissal.....Jerry McCoy

May 12, 2024

Morning Worship:

Song Leader.....Derek Mays
Opening Prayer.....Jon Neely
Scripture.....Jason Karnes
Prayer.....Sam Garner
Closing Prayer.....Jess Lecroy

Evening Worship:

Song Leader.....Rodney Williams
Prayer.....Derek Mays
Scripture.....Ron Garner
Dismissal.....David Burleson

FATHER OF LIES

Victor slowly became addicted to pornography. Many of his friends looked at porn, and he fell into it too. But now he understands how wrong it was - he sinned against God - and it crushed his wife. He's vowed to put safeguards in his life so he'll never look at it again. Yet he fears it's too late. *Can his marriage be saved? Will he ever be free and fully forgiven?*

Our enemy, the devil, presents temptation as if it's no big deal. *Everyone's doing it. What's the harm?* But the moment we catch on to his scheme, he switches gears. *It's too late! You've gone too far! You're hopeless now!*

The enemy will say whatever it takes to destroy us as we engage in spiritual warfare. Jesus said, *He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native tongue, for he is a liar and the father of lies* (John 8:44).

If the devil is a liar, then we should never listen to him. Not when he says our sin is no big deal, and not when he says we're beyond hope. May Jesus help us dismiss the evil one's words and listen to Him instead. We rest our hearts on His promise: *If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free* (v31-32).

Mike Wittmer

In Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to Ginger Beaird in the loss of her uncle Gerald Dockins. His funeral was held Saturday in O'Fallon.

Sympathy is extended to Dimple Miller in the loss of her son-in-law, Ron Hartwick, who passed away Monday. Ron's funeral was held Saturday in Campbell.

Attendance for April 28: 84

Contribution for April 28: \$3566

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Judy Flannery had outpatient surgery Thursday for a kidney stone * **Pat Cooper** is in Cypress Point for rehab after hospitalization for her leg * **Janie Burleson** had foot surgery last week and will have a cast put on her foot tomorrow * **Judy Duley** struggling with stomach issues * **Faye Dockins** received news that nothing more can be done for the macular degeneration in her eye * **Jane Terrill** suffering from neuropathy in her feet * **Donna McKuin** will be having an echocardiogram May 21 and other tests run for various health issues * **Becky Johnson** had her ostomy reversed and is doing well * **Sue Flowers** has been doing better recently *

Continue praying for these members of our church family: David Burleson * David Carson * Scott and Judy Flannery * Karen Forkum * Patsy (Hardy) Gregg * Darlene McGowan * Helen McGowan * Jeff McGowan * Donna McKuin * Gloria Moore * Ida Roberts * Waynetta Rodgers * David Terrill * Bettie Thurston * Marty Watson * Woody Wood

Those dealing with cancer (non congregational) :

Melinda Akers * Chastity Beaird * Cathy Bennett * Rodney Britt * Roxanne Carson * Sherry Chambers * Randy Cravens * Barbara Denson * Bill Fitzpatrick * Audrey Galloway * Patricia Greninger * Stan Goodman * Nolan Hollowell * LeAnn Jacques * Tommy Jacques * Pam Jeralds * Holly Johnson * Kristin Meadows * Connie Lemmons * Ponna Mahan * Mike Napier * Betty Nicholson * Keagan Owens * Bill Peck * Nikki Reif * Bobby Thornton * Mindy Tomah * Joe Vincent * Alan Woodward

Our Shut Ins

Sue Flowers * Ida Roberts * Bettie Thurston * Marty Watson

Looking Ahead

TODAY: Senior Recognition Sunday and first Sunday potluck/early evening service. Please make plans to stay and help us recognize our 2024 seniors: Luke Worley and Ryan Young, both graduating from Dexter High School.

Wednesday Fellowship Meal: Breakfast for Supper. Desserts will be needed.

May 6-9: Revival at Arnold church of Christ with speaker Hiram Kemp. More information is posted on the bulletin board by the nursery.

May 14: Ladies Lunch Out at Malden Country Club. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the foyer if you'd like to attend.

May 18: Living with Loss Workshop at Central church of Christ, Paducah. More information is on the bulletin board by the nursery.

ENGRAVED GRIEF

After receiving the devastating diagnosis of a rare and incurable brain cancer, Caroline found renewed hope and purpose through providing a unique service: volunteering her photography services for critically ill children and their families. Through this service, families could capture the precious moments shared with their children, both in grief and "the moments of grace and beauty we assume don't exist in those desperate places." She observed that "in the hardest moments imaginable, those families ... choose to love, despite and because of it all."

There's something unspeakably powerful about capturing the truth of grief - both the devastating reality of it and the ways in which we experience beauty and hope in the midst of it.

Much of the book of Job is like a photograph of grief - capturing honestly Job's journey through devastating loss (1:18-19). After sitting with Job for several days, his friends wearied of his grief, resorting to minimizing it or explaining it away as God's judgment. But Job would have none of it, insisting that what he was going through mattered, and wishing that the testimony of his experience would be *engraved in rock forever!* (19:24).

Through the book of Job, it was "engraved" - in a way that points us in our grief to the living God (v26-27), who meets us in our pain, carrying us through death into resurrection life.

Monica La Rose