For the Record

450 Sunday Morning

210 Sunday Classes

98 Sunday Evening

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174 Wednesday Evening

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Why Run? (Phil. 3:12-14)

Sermon Notes - July 22, 2018

The s	tarting line =			
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We need to keep				
We know that the one who got us				

Bulletin Board

Thank you

Please check the bulletin board for thank you notes and events going on in the area.

Elder to Contact

Elder to contact in **July** with your prayer requests: **Rodney Pless 479-871-7702**

REGULAR WEEKLY MINISTRIES

Life Group - Sundays at different times

Granddad's Devo - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Room R5

Ladies Bible Class - Dismissed for summer **The Christian and Grief** - New session in the fall **Single & Parenting Class** - New session starts Sept 5

DC4K - New session starts Sept 5

DivorceCare -New session starts Sept. 9, Sundays at 4:00 pm

Financial Peace - New session starts Sept 5

Celebrate Recovery - Thursdays at 6:30 pm (Meal at 6:00 pm)

Grow. Reach. Glorify.

Robinson Avenue this week

Sunday, July 22, 2018 Order of Worship

250

The Great Redeemer

647

Soldiers of Christ, Arise

SCREEN

Let it Rise

SCREEN

Let God Arise

COMMUNION COMMENTS

Gailen Hudson

SCREEN

In Need

COMMUNION OFFERING

778

Be With Me, Lord

SCREEN

Make a Joyful Noise

SCRIPTURE READING 1 COR. 9:24-27

Lloyd Sutton

SERMON

"Why Run?" Keith Kilmer

SCREEN

Just As I Am (I Come Broken)

FAMILY UPDATES

Richard Keen

608

He Gave Me a Song

CLOSING PRAYER

Lester Wilkinson

Reciprocal Rootedness

We are wired for relationships

Good morning! I'm happy to be back with my Robinson Avenue family after a couple of Sundays away. It was a blessing to be with Christians in Florida, Alabama and Georgia over the past couple of weeks, but I always miss RACOC!

It is always a treat for me to see our youth group in action at Camp Wetoga. The relationships that are formed at this camp extend well beyond just one week during the summer. Many of our teens will continue to keep up with their campers throughout the year. These ongoing relationships will pay long-term dividends. Be sure and ask some of our teens about their experiences.

Relationships are vital to who we are. Devotional writer,

Dallas Willard, writes: "The natural condition of life for human beings is reciprocal rootedness in others." In other words, we are wired for relationships. When we isolate ourselves and withdraw from others we are doing something that is self-destructive and unnatural.

Since we are created in the image of God it makes sense that we would be relational beings. God exists in three persons: Father, Son, and Spirit and the three experience a perfect oneness. God wants us to share in this fellowship. Jesus prayed these words in John 17: "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you."

Jesus refers to the perfect fellowship he enjoyed with the father and wishes the same for us. He wants us to be in fellowship with Him and also in fellowship with each other.

Don't neglect the importance of fellowship in the life of the church. This was one of the core things that the early church devoted themselves to (Acts 2:42). Today is another day to practice and enjoy the blessings of fellowship!

-Keith Kilmer

The Bible in a Year

Daily Reading Schedule (Chronological Order)

☐ Monday 23 Isaiah 31-34 ☐ Tuesday 24 Isaiah 35-36

☐ Wednesday 25 Isaiah 37-39; Psalm 76

☐ Thursday 26 Isaiah 40-43

☐ Friday 27 Isaiah 44-48

☐ Saturday 28 2 Kings 18:9-37; 2 Kings 19:1-37; Psalm 46, 80, 135

☐ Sunday 29 Isaiah 49-53



Adult Education

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes:

Adult Classes - Book of Hebrews

July

Summer Series 2018

Join us for our final Summer Series Sermon this Wednesday evening! This year's theme is "What in the World is God Doing?" – Looking at God's Activity Near and Far. Chris **Shelby** from Missions Resource Network in Dallas, Texas, will be our spearker. We will have a fellowship meal in the multi-purpose building; \$3 per person, \$1.50 per child, with a \$10 per family max.

Youth Ministry

Green Valley Bible Camp

GVBC is right around the corner, 7/29 - 8/04! Deadline to register for the overnight session is **TODAY at 2:00 p.m.** and the deadline for the daycamp session is 7/25 at midnight. Register at greenvalleybiblecamp.com. More information regarding age requirements and cost is on the website. Register today!

Please sign up if you would like your day camper to ride the bus. There are **sign-up sheets** in the foyer and by the West door (by the office) We will leave the building at 8:00 a.m. and return between 4:30-4:45 p.m.

If you'd like to **donate cases of water**, or money to go towards the purchase, you can drop them off at the office or in the front lobby.

College Students

Harding University:

Scholarship Fund

The church has provided scholarships to the following students who will be attending college in the Fall:

Arkansas Tech

John David Alston Kristina Asencio Andrea Dobbs Saraya Dodd **University of Arkansas** Taylor Dodd Abby Reiter Logan Jones Molly Valentine Taylor McCain **NWACC** Zach McCain Ian Mohorn Kaleb Inthavong Tayler Reiter Uriel Rojo Makayla Smith

Allen County Comm. College

Lucas McCain

Youth Ministry

Caleb Says...

This past week, I had the opportunity to travel to Georgia and work alongside many other members of this church and others at Camp Wetoga. This being my first time, I was not entirely sure what to expect. Would it be the most uplifting week of my life or would this trip be something that I would fake the flu to skip next summer? I can say with confidence that this has been one of the most impactful trips I have ever taken!

We had about 50 kids from inner city Atlanta come to camp this week. Shortly after they arrived, they were paired with a counselor from various youth groups. Together, they went throughout the week participating in worship, classes, games, and a whole smorgasbord of buffoonery. Check out the "RAVE Youth Ministry" Facebook page for pictures!

I was asked to speak on Tuesday night about our "Cloud of Witnesses." We talked a lot about what it means to be a witness and the kids got candy for participating. The biggest challenge, other than calming the kids down after I gave out an entire bag of Starbursts, was helping them understand that they each have their own cloud of witnesses.

A lot of the kids that came to camp come from rough backgrounds. They come from broken homes and neighborhoods where they are more likely to be torn down than built up. I was talking with a little girl, and she told me about a hard part of her childhood as casually as was possible. To her, the stuff she went through was her reality because she didn't know any different. She felt alone, and she had hardly ever felt like that wasn't the case.

According to statistics, 80% of Americans identify as Christians. The crazy thing is that these kids have a ton of circumstances that make them feel like they are the only Christian around. They can't always turn to their parents or their family. Their friends don't help them on their walk. They have their own baggage that makes them different. All of this makes them feel like they are alone. Do you ever feel the same?

All of these things are lies that Satan tells us to make us think we have to be a one-man army. The truth is that each of these kids has a great cloud of witnesses in the faith starting with the Atlanta Inner-city Ministry team all the way down to the individual members of this church who worked at camp and even those of you who made donations. We are each part of their cloud of witnesses. The Body of Christ is far reaching! All across America and even around the world, there are brothers and sisters who have seen Jesus and who testify that He is King. You're part of a global cloud of witnesses!

Family Time

SUNDAY

9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 рм Worship

WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Bible Study

Our Condolences

Extending Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Nancy Gooden** and family on the passing of her brother, Paul John, who passed away 7/12/18 in Mississippi with his service being held 7/19/18.

We also extend sympathy to **Mechele Gonzales** on the unexpected passing of her cousin this past week.

See Somsri passed away Wednesday morning, 7/18/18, with her funeral service held Saturday. Our sympathy is extended to her son, Jamie Somsri, and her daughter, Jit **Soudthivong**, and their family.

There will be a memorial service for **Kenneth Pennell** Tuesday, 7/24/18, at 2:00 at Heritage Funeral Home. Family

Illness and Recovery

Marlyn Shafer at NWMC with chest pain/heart cath. **Faith Larkin** at WRMC with pneumonia. Cilvia Rodriguez - knee replacement, 7/24/18. Lucy Allen - foot surgery, 7/26/18.

Welcome

New Members

Bradley Ledgerwood Morgan & Brodie 4635 Stonecrest Cr. Springdale, AR 72762 479-595-1112

Obeying the Gospel.

Baptism

We rejoice with the family of **Ashlynn Moss** who obeyed the gospel and was baptized by her father last Sunday, 7/15/18. Ashlynn is the daughter of Hope Moss, granddaughter of Lloyd & Dyian Sutton, great granddaughter of Hazel Fletcher, and niece of Seth & Charity Mohorn.

Kennedy Simmons

1302 Chancery Ln.

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You're invited!

Wedding

Brian Burkett & Amy Curtis would like to extend an invitation to the congregation to attend their wedding. This will take place Saturday, July 28th, at 5:00, at Robinson Ave. They do ask for a RSVP to Amy at 314-277-2651. Reception will immediately follow.

Prayer List

Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the office.

Family/Friends

Wanda Coffey, mother of Kathy Mayhew **David & Margaret** Cooke, parents of David Cooke Janet Elkins, daughter of Pat Elkins

Brenda Waugh Cliff Fitzgerald, brother of Harry Fitzgerald

Jenny Evans, sister of

Paula Gensicke, sisterin-law of Brenda Waugh James Harrison, brother of Lester Harrison

Grace Jones, sister-in-law of Barbara Jones

Roger Kernes, father of Robert Kernes

Debbie Langstaff, cousin of Beth Pettay

Theresa Long, niece of Sarah Toon

Darla McKinney, sister of Marla Shafer

Don Pipkin, father of Eric Pipkin/Sherrie Hankins

Charlotte Phillips, mother of Kim Kegley Louise Scott, mother of Sally Baskin

Anita Sturtz, friend of the Danenhauer's

Ken Teagle, former member

Tammie Thompson, sister of Tina Duffek Pam Thrower, daughter of Dorothy Sisemore

Those

Shut In

Cecil Cook Dee Dearman **Cleo Drevs Don & Marie Edwards Hazel Fletcher** Glenda Garrison **Donna Gaston** Dan Hash Don McClane **James Price** Verna Tacket Linda Taggert **Elsie White**

Continue to

Remember

Lucy Allen Beth Clem Cecil Cook Lyman Ferguson **Harold Gooden Scott Phillips Edna Porter Linda Sears** Lee Pense **Robyn Wike Speedy Williams**

Those

Battling Cancer

Mary Allen **Charlie Brown Charlean Howell** Freida Hughes Peggy Huckeba **Darren Iones Robert Kernes** Seth Mohorn **Dick Pate** Al Simpson **Robert Waddill** Salina Wilson