

For the Record

460 Sunday Morning 13 Life Groups
246 Sunday Classes 162 Wednesday Evening
NC Sunday Evening

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Finishing Strong

Sermon Notes – July 29, 2018

Not everyone who _____ the race will _____.

If you want to finish strong...

• _____ matters.

• _____ matters.

• _____ matters.

Everyone who _____ the race _____!

Bulletin Board

Thank you

The office received a thank you note from the **Laotian congregation** thanking us for kindnesses shown during the passing of **See Somsri**. "A special thank you to Harry Fitzgerald. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

Darren and Kelly Jones also thank the congregation for the prayers, food, calls, and visits.

These are posted on the bulletin board.

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)

Robinson Avenue this week

Camping Out

God can change hearts through the experience of camping

Good morning! A good number of our members have already made their way to Green Valley Bible Camp for the start of this year's session. Our prayer is that they have a great time, stay relatively cool and hydrated, and that they grow closer to God and to one another.

A number of us are still thinking back fondly upon our week at Camp Wetoga. I'm so thankful for the relationships formed at this camp and the way that it changes our group and those who we are blessed to minister to.

The Bible features some long camping trips. One of the first extended camping trips was Abraham's journey from Ur. God said to Abraham "Leave your country, your people and your father's

household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you...and all peoples of the earth will be blessed through you."

God fulfilled his promises to Abraham but Abraham had to obey God. The Hebrew writer says "By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents...for he was looking forward to a city with foundations, whose builder and architect is God."

Abraham had no RV to travel in and there were no hotels along the way. Each night he set up camp for the night. You can be sure that God was preparing him for something better – a city with foundations built and designed by God as the Hebrew writer says.

Pray for our campers this week. I hope that they enjoy the experience and I hope it teaches them to long for a more permanent dwelling!

- Keith Kilmer

Sunday,
July 29, 2018
Order of Worship

121
Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing

CALL TO WORSHIP/ PRAYER
Keith Kilmer

535
The Glory-Land Way

898
Paradise Valley

595
I Come to the Garden Alone

COMMUNION COMMENTS
Gary Turner

COMMUNION OFFERING

382
Why Did My Savior Come to Earth

SCREEN
Just Over in the Glory Land

SCRIPTURE READING
2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8
Kevin Mayhew

SERMON
"Finishing Strong"
Keith Kilmer

904
Have You Been to Jesus?

FAMILY UPDATES
Harry Fitzgerald

854
When He Comes in Glory
By and By

CLOSING PRAYER
Joe Mohorn

The Bible in a Year

Daily Reading Schedule (Chronological Order)

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday 30	Isaiah 54-58	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday 3	2 Chron. 32-33
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday 31	Isaiah 59-63	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday 4	Nahum 1-3
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday 01	Isaiah 64-66	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday 5	2 Kings 22-23; 2 Chron. 34-35
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday 02	2 Kings 20-21		

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Adult Education

Adult Bible Classes

Sunday Morning Adult Classes: Book of Hebrews

Wednesday Evening Auditorium Class: Lessons from Luke

Children’s Ministry

No Kid’s Church

There will be no Kid’s Church today for all ages. Activity packets will be available on the desk in the foyer. .

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class

Due to GVBC week, ALL classes, including children’s classes, will meet in the auditorium this Wednesday, Aug. 1.

Coming Soon

Upcoming Ministries

Aug. 8- Sept. 5 FUEL sessions: “Act Like Men”

Wednesday night men’s classes at 7:00 p.m. will have a brief video followed by open discussion. Today’s culture has hijacked masculinity, distorting strength into passivity and abuse. In this Bible study series, men are invited to embrace God’s definition to be protectors, providers, and defenders. 1 Cor. 16:13: *“Be on the alert; stand firm in the faith; ACT LIKE MEN ; be strong!”* (Teachers: Keith Kilmer, Gary Turner, Brent Roach)

Sept. 12-Dec. 5: “Daring Faith” (the Gospel of John)

WPW Sessions: Beginning Aug. 8, study of Max Lucado’s, “Before Amen” series. Kick off for Women’s Power Walk is Sept. 12.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study: Continuing study through the Bible with the Fulfillments of Christ in the Old Testament. Starts Sept. 4 at 10:00 a.m. Potluck first Tuesday of every month.

Tuesday Granddad’s Devo: 10:00 a.m. Open discussion, donuts, coffee.

Heart 2 Heart

Registration for involvement in the Heart 2 Heart Ladies Ministry is underway for the 2018-2019 school year. Deadline for registration is August 12, 2018 and is very important even if you participated last year. We welcome all ladies of the congregation to participate; however, we ask that you prayerfully consider your ability to faithfully attend the monthly meetings. You may register through the church website or use one of the registration forms in the lobby. Should you have questions or comments, please visit with Savanna McCain, Kathy Turner, Sandy Ware, or Bytha Regauld.

Youth Ministry

Caleb Says...

I am not sure how you personally may feel about this; many people have mixed emotions and may even get annoyed with what I am about to say. But there’s a group of people who believe that Christmas is a holiday that is too good to confine to one month of the year. There are different kinds of people when it comes to Christmas. There are those who put the tree up as soon as the table is cleared on Thanksgiving and there are those who wait until it is midnight on December 1st. There are those who wait until a couple of weeks before Christmas Eve and there are those who, like my family growing up, leave the tree up through February because you just don’t want to do all of that work. Then, there are the Christmas fanatics who celebrate Christmas in December as well as in July. To indulge my fellow “Christmas in July” people, here comes a Christmas article!

I was doing some prep work for our Fall series over Luke. Reading the birth narrative, I started thinking about the concept of “Emmanuel.” Although this word is more often associated with Matthew’s account, the idea of “God with us” is a universal theme in the gospels. In addition, some topics can even summarize the entirety of the story of scripture. “Emmanuel” is one of them.

In the beginning, God was with man. They walked together in the Garden and they talked as easily as we talk to each other. Emmanuel.

After the first sin, there was a gap between God and man. However, God was not willing to leave His most prized creation. He chose Israel and they became His people. Emmanuel.

Throughout biblical history, Israel is on a roller-coaster with God. They worship Him but then worship idols. God chases after them, but the result is usually the same. Still Emmanuel.

God’s glory leaves the temple in Ezekiel. The people of Israel are in exile. Emmanuel?

God returns in the form of a human child. God, who was with us in every sense in the beginning, who was separated from us by sin, who desperately tried to bring us to Him, is now with us again and His Spirit now resides within you. Emmanuel.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:

GVBC: Today at 2:00!

End of Summer Extravaganza: Aug. 7 meet at church at 4 p.m. Ride out to the Alston’s for Hunger Games, swimming, looking at John David’s baby pics, and bon fire. Food provided. Devotional. Pick up from church at 11 p.m.

Family Time

SUNDAY

9:30 AM Bible Study

10:30 AM Worship

6:00 PM Worship

WEDNESDAY

7:00 PM Bible Study

Our Condolences

Extending Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to **Janet Reed** on the passing of her father, *Daniel Jewsbury*. His funeral was held 7/24/18 in Branson, Mo.

Family

Illness and Recovery

Cilvia Rodriguez had knee replacement surgery, 7/24/18.

Lucy Allen had foot surgery, 7/26/18.

Obedying the Gospel.

Baptism

We rejoice with **Ethan Graef** and **Betty Brooks** as they obeyed the gospel and were baptized last week. Ethan was baptized while at Camp Wetoga by John David Alston. Betty was baptized following last Sunday morning services by Harry Fitzgerald. We welcome them both to the family!

Welcome

New Members

Daniel & Gwen Slape

Abigail, Thalea

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Fayetteville, AR 72701

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Care Group 6

Ethan Graef

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Siloam Springs, AR 72761

479-799-7608

Care Group 7

Response

Prayers Requested

Christina Burt and **Vanessa McBride** responded to the invitation and requested prayers from our church family last Sunday.

Greeters for August

Unlock Front & Northeast doors at 9:00 am: Bruce Engelmann

Parking Lot & Front Door Assistance: Curtis McClure, Ron

Pinkerton, Bruce Engelmann

Front Lobby: Steele Engelmann, Suzanne Hinkle, Linda Neely,

Seth Mohorn

Visitors Booth: Denise Pless

East Door: Al Mayes

West Door: Bill Roberts

Our

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

Jenny Evans, sister of

Brenda Waugh

Cliff Fitzgerald, brother

of Harry Fitzgerald

Paula Gensicke, sister-

in-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 Taggart

Elsie White

Continue to

Remember

Lucy Allen

Beth Clem

Cecil Cook

Faith Larkin

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 Jones

Robert Kernes

Seth Mohorn

Dick Pate

Al Simpson

Robert Waddill

Salina Wilson