

Order of Worship

Song: # 718 We Shall Assemble

Announcements

Song: #869 We're Marching to Zion

Song: #334 Tis Midnight, and on Olive's Brow

The Lord's Supper

Song: #537 Here We Are But Straying Pilgrims

Offering

Offering Song: #589 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Song: #643 Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom

Scripture Reading
John 4

Sermon

"Jesus: The Politically Incorrect Evangelist"

Song: #570 A Beautiful Life

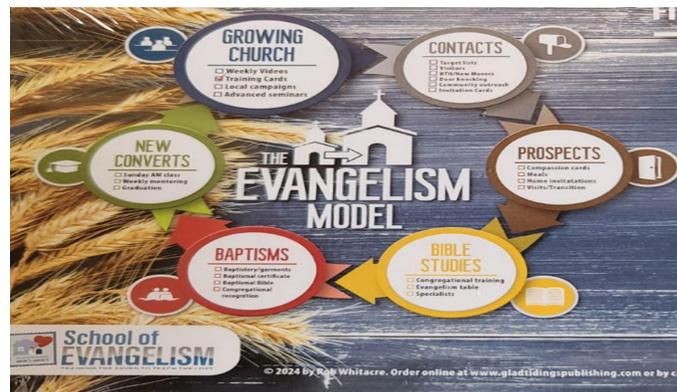
Prayer Requests

Song: #555 Seek Ye First

Closing Prayer

Please join us for a lite brunch in the fellowship hall immediately after our worship service this morning.

"Find Your Purpose"



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For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	88	Sunday Morning Bible Study	59
Sunday Evening Worship	N/A	Wed. Morning Bible Study	25
Wed. Evening Bible Study	53	Contribution Average 2024	N/A

Schedule Of Services

Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m.	Sunday Bible Class—11:00 a.m.
Sunday Afternoon Service—1:30 p.m.	Wed. Morning Bible Study—10 a.m.
Wednesday Dinner—6:00 p.m.	Wed. Evening Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

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Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest! And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.

John 4:35-36

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We Welcome You!

We are honored that you chose to visit with us today. We hope that you will stay around a few minutes after our service to become better acquainted. We are eager to know you! We hope you will come to see us as we see ourselves, a group of people who desire to live and love like Jesus.

If you seek meaning and purpose in your life, we invite you to come and join us as we study God's word, the Bible, and find the true joy and fulfillment that can only be found in Him. Our doors and hearts are open. So, if you've been thinking, praying, searching, and hoping for a place to belong, we say again—welcome!

“Until the Harvest...Sowers, Laborers”

Before Jesus died, He revealed to the apostles what lay in their future. They were to be sowers of the word of God into hearts that were like wayside, thorny, stony and good soils (Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23). He also told them that in the field they were planting seed which would produce the kingdom of God. He then told them they should expect Satan to come add seeds of evil among the seed the apostles had planted (Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43).

That kingdom began, and Satan began his work by “planting weeds” in the church. He tried to change the very nature of the church into one which demanded all men, especially Gentiles, be circumcised. For the next generation, the church of Jesus struggled with tares (weeds) of Judaism. Take a moment and look around you. The church of Christ is eternal and will always be on the earth, but Satan has never ceased trying to hide it among the tares of religious division.

When the Owner of the field was asked about removing the tares planted by Satan, He said, “Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, ‘First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barns’” (Matt. 13:30). Good seed and tares will be here “until the harvest.”

So, what are we to do until the harvest? Jesus said, “Pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest” (Matt. 9:38). The time of the harvest is not yet, but He wants us to pray that laborers may be in the fields. He even told the apostles that they were laborers in that field (John 4:38). We need to pray for laborers and to be laborers.

What do we do until the harvest? We need to realize that all of us can be laborers in many ways. Paul spoke of those who planted and those who watered. He then reminded us that it does not make any difference who does any of this work. He said he who sows and he who waters are to do their work realizing it is God who gives the increase (1 Cor. 3:7).

What are we to do until the harvest? Ask God to use you. Lift up your eyes unto the field. Plant, water and ask God to put you in situations where you can be used as one who goes into the world sowing the seed. The fact that others might be better “sowers” or “waterers” than you makes no difference. Remember every seed sown and every drop of water added to the seed together makes for a great harvest.

There is so much that is happening in our world which can only be changed by those who are sowers and waterers, lights in the darkness and salt seasoning the earth. Pray, ask, sow, water, light and salt—let God use you!

- Dan Jenkins

Church Family News

Reading Assistance Program—Summer Slide RAP will be done on August 21. We have had 16-18 children for the past 5 weeks. 10-12 of them are Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd graders. If you are able to help any in the next 2 weeks on Wednesdays between 4-5:30, it could make a difference for one of these younger children. Most of them need one-on-one attention. If you can volunteer, please see Beth Broxton. You would work with one child, reading, helping them read, learning the sounds the letters make, using flashcards, etc. We have a variety of ways to help the children. Thank You for your kindness and patience towards the children and families who have been in and about the building this summer. The RAP Team has been working hard!

New Additional Sunday Service—Starting today, we will introduce a third service at 1:30 p.m. This service will replace the 6:30 p.m. service and be in addition to the regularly scheduled Sunday services.

Craft Day—Crafters are invited to bring a craft project, supplies, and a bag lunch and meet on Monday, August 12th at noon in the fellowship room at the church building for fellowship and fun! See Pat Little for more information.

Men’s Bible Study—There will be a Men’s Bible Study at 6 pm on Friday, August 16th.

Neighborhood Evangelism—Help us reach the surrounding neighborhoods on Saturday, August 17th, at 11:30 am. Please meet at the building. In case of rain, this event will be rescheduled for Saturday, August 31. Please see Chris Gary for more information.

Annual Church Picnic—Mark your calendars for the annual church picnic at Waller Mill Park following Bible classes on Sunday, September 29th. Please bring a side dish or dessert. A sign-up sheet is posted on the fellowship room bulletin board. Please see David or Tina Banks for more information.

Happy Birthday

Jennifer Christol 8/3, Betsy Davis 8/4, Juanita Bailey 8/5, Asia White 8/5, Matthew Garcia 8/7, Emily Johnson 8/9, Nyshawn Johnson 8/11, Debbie Garrett 8/15, Doug Smith 8/15, Kristy Hundley 8/18, David Banks 8/19, Cheryl Brown 8/25, Alan Hicks 8/27, Regina Boisseau 8/30, Brooklynn Gary 8/30

Wedding Anniversaries

Scott & Martha Turner 8/4, Chris & Jennifer Abbott 8/5, David & Tina Banks 8/19, Alan & Michelle Hicks 8/19, James & Connie Broady 8/21, Jim & Stacia Landrom 8/26, Mike & Regina Boisseau 8/30

Prayer Request

Immediate Concerns:

Doug Smith - York Rehab, Rm C17
Kay Himes - health
Jo Ann Knight - recovering
Betsy Davis - health
Brian Waterhouse - health
Levi Abbott - health
Jerry & Camelia Munn - health
Anthony Ricks - undergoing treatment
Ken Moran - health

Long Term Concerns:

The Boisseau Family - health
M.C. & Juanita Bailey - health
Lena Stone - health
Margaret Rose - health
Cheryl Brown - health
Abbott Family

Shut-ins

Regina Clark
Adassa Duncan

Family & Friends:

Jeff Holmes’ Aunt - health
Catalina Laverda’s friends, Joseph & Kathy Sierodzinsky - health
Nancy Gilliam’s friend, Mary Lou Lindlelof - health
The Landrom’s relatives, Terra Landrom-Guyton - medical procedure & **Diana Jones** - terminal illness
Eddie Logan - difficult situation
The Landrom’s friend, Sharon Mackert and neighbor, **Mr. Hall** - health
Peggy Boarman’s son-in-law, Jim Bristow - current situation
Rene Kassing’s grandson, Justin – cancer