

## Order of Worship

Song: #66 Doxology

Announcements

Song: #23 Our God, He Is Alive

Song: #374 There Is a Fountain

The Lord's Supper

Song: #577 We Bow Down

Offering

Offering Song: #705 A Common Love

Song: #538 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Scripture Reading  
Luke 18:1-14

Sermon  
"Two Parables on Prayer"

Song: #924 Just As I Am

Prayer Requests

Song: #608 He Gave Me a Song

Closing Prayer

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

## "Are you visiting for the first time today?"

Welcome guest! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this morning. Please help us to get to know you better by filling out the green guest card on the back of the seat in front of you and dropping it in the collection basket. Or, for your convenience, you may scan the QR code and complete the guest card digitally. Thank you for taking the time to attend our service today. We hope to see you again soon!



Scan for Guest Card

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Jim Bishop  
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### For The Record

Sunday Morning Worship	93	Sunday Morning Bible Study	57
Sunday Afternoon Service	27	Wed. Morning Bible Study	10
Wed. Evening Bible Study	56	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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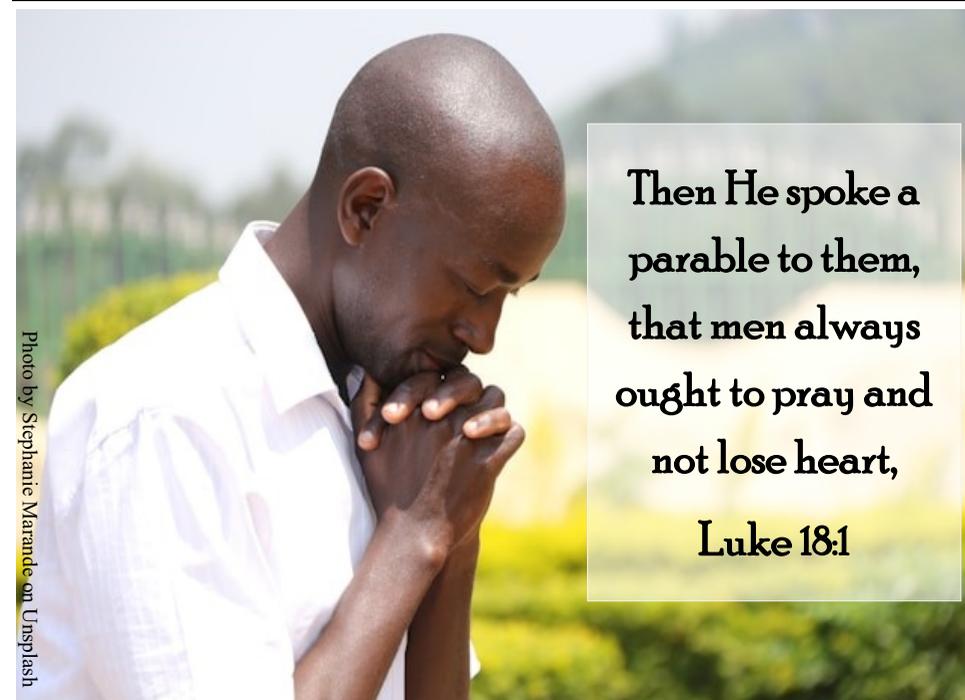


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Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart,  
**Luke 18:1**

## 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!

## “Requirements of Prayer”

There is a difference between hearing and listening. The all-knowing God hears everything, but what a blessing it is to know that He leans in to listen to those who are in covenant relation with Him. We call this communication prayer, at it is as simple as it is powerful. In Luke 18, Jesus tells two parables both involving prayer. In these scenes, the Lord shows us some things we need in order to make our prayer life effective as God intends.

The parable of the persistent widow (vv. 1-8) demonstrates our need for commitment and consistency in approaching God. This parable is meant to help us keep praying without losing heart (1). While Jesus ensures us that God does hear and care about His children, seeking God in prayer requires faith in this fact and trust that God will answer in the right way, at the right time. On the other hand, we see in the parable of the Pharisee and tax collector (vv. 9-14) what happens when sinful pride seeps into our prayers. Rather than a fragrant offering to God, these messages turn the attention away from God and onto the person (11-12). We find here another requirement of prayer: humility. How strange, and even alarming, for Jesus’s original audience to consider that they’d rather be like the tax collector than the religious leader—after all, it is the sinner who is honest about his own state and need for God that goes down to his house in a right relationship with the Lord.

Don’t miss what is being requested in the prayers of the two parables: the widow is asking for justice (3, 7), and the tax collector is asking for mercy (13). While we ought to take every need and care before the throne of God, Jesus teaches that the deep spiritual needs of our heart can only be addressed and satisfied by the Father. This requires total dependence and reliance on our Creator; in other words, the requirements of prayer call us to understand our role a child (vv. 15-17) who is eagerly, obediently, and wholeheartedly seeking the Father’ will.

- Tyler Hall

### Happy Birthday

Judy Fishel 10/1, Jo Ann Knight 10/2, Peggy Boarman 10/5, Jenna Tiefenbeck 10/6, Teresa Patrick 10/7, Robert Beasley 10/8, Michael Bronsberg 10/9, Jordan Fears 10/10, T.J. Waller 10/16, Walker Knight 10/17, Jady Abbott 10/18, Cindy Harris 10/18, Camelia Munn 10/22, Rachel Moffitt 10/23, Catalina Laverde 10/25, Betty Owsley 10/25, M.C. Bailey 10/26, Kevin Pitre 10/30, Kayne Waller 10/31

## Church Family News

**Spooktacular Halloween Event**—A Spooktacular Halloween Event will be hosted at the building on October 26th from 6 to 8 p.m., with kid-friendly crafts, trick-or-treating, snacks, and The Creepy Corridor. Costumes are welcome. Please see Mikey or Jackie Rollins for more information.

**Craft Day**—Crafters are invited to bring a craft project, supplies, and a bag lunch and meet on Monday, October 28th at noon in the fellowship room at the church building for fellowship and fun! See Pat Little for more information.

**Family Potluck**—Please mark your calendars for noon on Sunday, November 3rd, and join us for our monthly family potluck. Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy a delicious lunch and the opportunity to fellowship together.

**Neighborhood Evangelism**—Help reach out to the surrounding neighborhoods on Saturday, Nov. 16th, at 11:30 a.m. All are invited to meet at the building and join this effort. In the event of rain, we will reschedule for Saturday, Nov. 30th. Please see Chris Gary for more details.

**Area-Wide Singing**—We are hosting an area-wide acapella singing at the building on Saturday, November 16th, from 5 pm to 7 pm. Join us as local congregations come together to sing praises to the Lord.

**Adult Bible Bowl Competition**—Everyone is invited to attend the Adult Bible Bowl Competition on Sunday, November 24th, following the 1:30 pm service. The participants will compete over their knowledge of the book of Revelation.

### Wedding Anniversaries

Ivan & Vera Harris 10/24

### COMPASSION CARDS—GROUP 3

Group 3, please drop by room 7A/B (old fellowship room) after worship service to sign compassion cards.

## Prayer Request

### Immediate Concerns:

**Betsy Davis** - health  
**Teresa Moran** - health  
**Connie Broady** - health  
**Levi Abbott** - in Norfolk Children’s Hospital  
**Mike & Regina Boisseau** - health

### Long Term Concerns:

**Doug Smith** - recovering at his son’s  
**The Boisseau Family** - health  
**M.C. & Juanita Bailey** - health  
**Lena Stone** - health  
**Margaret Rose** - health  
**Cheryl Brown** - health  
**Abbott Family** - strength & support  
**Anthony Ricks** - health  
**Ken Moran** - health  
**Jerry & Camelia Munn** - health

### Shut-ins

**Regina Clark**  
**Adassa Duncan**

### Family & Friends:

**Kay Himes’** sister, **Frances Ann** - health  
**Cindy Harris’** cousin, **Charlie Johnson** - health  
**Cara Patrick’s** brother, **Celsus** - health  
**Jerry Howell’s** friend, **Angie Taliferro** - Leukemia  
**Catalina Laverde’s** friends, **Joseph & Kathy Sierodzinsky** - health  
**Eddie Logan** - difficult situation  
**Peggy Boarman’s** son-in-law, **Jim Bristow** - current situation  
**Rene Kassing’s** grandson, **Justin** – cancer  
**Our Missionaries** - **Eric & Rachel** in South Asia and **Greg Cloldfelter** in Kenya.