



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 05/03 Crash-A-Church (4:50)
- 05/06 Wii Wednesday
- 05/16 Youth Trip
- 05/17 Senior Sunday

There are sign up sheets in the youth room for all the upcoming events and camps. Please make sure you sign up if you plan on attending any of these events.

Counting the Cost:

Point 1: By nature, faith costs us _____. It may be something as simple as our _____ or our _____ pursuits, but it must be our _____ and our _____ as we strive to become like Christ.

Point 2: Those who are living a _____, easy life are not truly being transformed into His likeness. We were not called to be _____, but to be Christ like.

Point 3: We often glorify the martyr and hold them up as ideal _____ of what it means to be a Christian. While this may be true, often "_____ for Christ" is the easy part. It is _____ for Christ that is difficult.

Point 4: "To live is Christ; to die is gain." When we have this mind set, we can live _____ as we strive to live the life we have been _____ to.

Notes and Scriptures:

Attendance

Bible Class (9:30)	52
Worship A.M (10:30).....	111
Worship P.M (5:00)	29
Small Groups P.M. (6:00).....	N/C
Wednesday (6:30).....	79

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 Contribution: \$3,758.81

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Welcome
May 3, 2015

Announcements

#42 *Blessed Be the Lord God (paper book-2x)*
 #45 *How Great Is Our God (paper book-both)*
 #25 *Ancient Words (paper book-both)*

Opening Prayer

#383 *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (1,3)*
 #364 *Come, Share the Lord (all)*

Communion Focus

Communion

#474 *Thank You, Lord (all)*

Offering

#450 *Give Me the Bible (1)*
 #659 *I Love to Tell the Story (1,3,4)*

Scripture Reading
Luke 14:28-30

Sermon

#936 *Lord, I'm Coming Home (all)*
 #469 *Faith is the Victory (dotted verses)*
 #470 *Victory in Jesus (dotted verses)*

Closing Prayer

Preacher's Porch



"Ahhhh, Food!"

It was with a bit of amusement, initially, that I heard these words quietly uttered as I handed the plate to the rather thin, weary looking man. Only later, after a bit of reflection on this occurrence, did I begin to fully appreciate the significance of what he said.

We don't normally think of serving others as a learning opportunity but it was while I was serving the Lord's Supper at the Lord's Table one day that this happened. As I handed the man the plate containing the bit of cracker that we know symbolizes the body of Christ, he uttered, under his breath, "Ahhhh, Food!" He then picked up the wafer, broke off a piece and passed the tray back to me.

Now, my initial reaction was purely human in nature as I thought, "Food? That's not food. It's just a cracker and it's not even a whole cracker...it's just a morsel." Yet even as I was thinking this, I knew I was wrong. I knew that on many levels I was way, way off base. It just took me a while to really appreciate how far amiss I was. You see, I was looking at this very thin, feeble and frail man and thinking with human perspective about his condition. Instead, I should have been looking with spiritual eyes and reflecting on my own condition. If I had been, I too would have proclaimed, "Ahhhh, Food!"

You see, the bit of unleavened bread which we have the opportunity to take every week is meant to be a symbol to me of my spiritual starvation except for the sacrifice of the Lamb of God whose flesh it represents. It works kind of like this; in Old Testament times, God's people celebrated the Passover where a lamb was sacrificed to remind them that God had set them free from slavery and adopted them as His own children. After the sacrifice, they would then cook and eat the lamb that was sacrificed. The first time this happened, it was to give them strength for their escape from slavery and to start them on their journey as well as to remind them of the price paid for their freedom.

For us it is the same. That bit of unleavened bread is to remind us of our bitter slavery to sin, our redemption at the cost of the Blood of the Lamb; the son of God. It reminds us of His life and sacrifice for our benefit not only to set us free, but to adopt us as children of God. It is then, in fact, real food (John 6:55). "This do in remembrance of me." Those are the words of Jesus when He implemented the Lord's Supper. The rest is up to us.

In Him, Todd Davis



Kristie Pederson, a Sonshine House client, will have surgery.
Marie Starr, a Sonshine House client, has a blood clot.
Natasha Martinez, a Sonshine House client, has requested prayers for her marriage and guidance for her husband.

Continue to Remember: *Kate Talley, Jonnie Barnhill, Jonnie Althof, Nils Dannell, Melissa James, Ken Rabon, Mary Taylor, Kirby Whitley, Jennie Waggoner, Brownie Pickens, Wan & Sue Callaway, Khristie Beaird, Nikki Freeze, Alyene Williams, Alastair & Linda Ferrie, Coach Darren Mayes, Karla Brinkley, April Taylor, Chris Davis & Trent Yurcho*

Our Shut-Ins at Grace Care Center: *Frances Coker, Jerry Greene, Lillian Wines, & Bill Wood.*

We will be hosting a Kick off event for our Summer Series from **June 14-17** with **Steve Hemphill** from



Longview as our guest speaker. Please mark your calendars now so that you can come and invite your friends and family to attend.



Upcoming Events

- 05/05 LBC Luncheon**
- 05/10 VB\$ Meeting (4:00)**
- 05/13 Elders Meeting**
- 05/17 Senior Sunday**
- 05/17 Fellowship Meal (\$G #1)**
- 05/23 Skinner Wedding**
- 05/24 Grace Care Center (2:00)**
- 05/24 VB\$ Meeting (4:00)**
- 05/25 Sonshine House (6-7:30)**
- 05/27 Elders & Deacons Meeting**

Saturday Mornings @ 9 Ladies' Breakfast @ Stewart's Sweet Stop
Tuesday Mornings @ 10 Ladies' Bible Class
Thursday Mornings @ 10 Men's Bible Class

Birthdays

- 3 Chris Davis**
- 4 Randel Barnard**
- 4 Stephen Wilson**
- 6 Jack Webb**
- 12 Amelia Davis
- 25 Kaitlynn Garrison
- 26 Sylvia Jackson
- 28 Jerry Greene
- 31 Emily Bell

Anniversaries

- 5 Tyler & Dana Garrison**
- 19 Randal & Dana Wilson
- 21 Paul & Jan Landis
- 28 Randel & Kelley Barnard

June 8-12

This ministry requires lots of help in many different areas! Sign up sheets are on the foyer table. How can you help?



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS set up week is June 1-5th from 9-12 and will include lunch. We need help getting our "yard" ready!

FOOD MENU

- 05/06 Fried Rice (Todd)
 - 05/13 Frito Casserole (Selinda)
 - 05/20 Pancakes (Vicki)
 - 05/27 Burgers & Chips (Youth)
- The cost is \$3 a person, or \$12 family**
There will not be meals during the summer



May Worship Assignments are on the foyer table and up on our website. Please check and see where God will be using you in His service in May.