

Classes and Teachers

Sunday AM

Cradle Roll: Payton Knight
 2-3 Years: Rm 6 Susan Powell
 4-5 Years: Rm 4 Kathy Long
 Lori Miles
 1-5 Grade: Rm 5 Lukas Powell
 6-12 Grade: Rm 1A Donovan King
 Adults: Audit. Kent Miles

Wednesday PM

Cradle Roll: Rm 3
 2-3 Years: Rm 6 Linda Knight
 4-5 Years: Rm 5 Kathy Long
 1-5 Grade: Rm 5 Amy Wilson
 6-12 Grade: Rm 1A Kent Miles
 Terry Powell
 Adults: Audit. Art Wilson

Prayer List

Family

Illness - Jen Irvin-blood clot & pain in leg
Surgery-Ray Brown-Robin Cooper's brother-9/6 to remove brain tumor

Surgery Recovery- Uli King-8/28

Tests-Lori Smith-Robin Cooper's sister-for cancer

Encouragement - King's relatives in Houston-strength & comfort, Linwood II & Ivy & other students-all will go well going back to school, Jen Irvin-healing & comfort, Ray Brown-successful surgery-strength & healing, Uli King-strength-healing & comfort, Lori Smith-good test results, Tyler Knight-safety, Wes Meador-safety, Katie, Winnie & Lelah-safety

Other- Wes Meador-promoted to next rank

Traveling - Tyler Knight-Linda Knight's son, Wes Meador-last deployment, Katie, Winnie & Lelah-Gary Tupper's mom-sister-niece-from Turkey

Friends

Illness - Denise Franklin-Dollie Spivey's friend-liver issues-getting tested, Tom Lewis-relative of Uli's client-waiting for liver transplant
Hospital-Brian Fewox-coworker of Robin Cooper-heart catherization

Encouragement - Christians in Houston-opportunities to live their faith, Dave Nordstrom's brothers & sister in Lake Charles-strength, De-lores Barber-Dollie Spivey's friend-strength & comfort-nerve damage from car accident, Tom Lewis & family-strength & comfort, 1st responders in Houston-comfort & strength, Denise Franklin-strength & comfort. Brian Fewox-good results

Men & Women at Woodbine

Corey Pierce baptized 8/26. Pray for families.

Birthdays for September

Harper Fallaw-1
 Gwynth Meador-2
 Victoria Giesemann-3
 Tim Warrington-8
 Chad Bradbury-12
 Uli King-15
 Landra Nordstrom-16
 Larry Call-16
 Kathy Long-19
 Sean Irvin-19
 Gretchen Thetford-26

Anniversaries for August

Eric & Candy Bennett-11
 Please show all the above celebrating Birth - days and Anniversaries love and best wishes.



Items for the Pantry

Chili

Crackers

Canned Meats

Fruit Juice

Mac n Cheese



Announcements

- Today after the Morning Worship we will have our **Monthly Fellowship Meal**. All visitors and members are encouraged to stay and enjoy the great fellowship and food.
- Thursday, September 7th at 7PM is **Pray With the Elders**.
- The **Young Adults** will meet Friday, September 8th & 22nd at 6:30PM.
- There will be a **Men's Fish Fry** at 8PM on September 8th followed by a **Men's Day** at 9 AM on September 9th at the Johnson Street church of Christ in Brunswick.
- There will be a **Ladies Day** at the Lake Forest church of Christ, September 9th beginning at 9AM with breakfast.
- The men will have a **Bible Study** on Tuesday, September 19th at 7PM. All men are encouraged to attend.
- There will be an **Elders/Deacons Meeting** on Sunday, September 17th, after the morning services.
- We will have our **St Marys Family Retreat at Crooked River State Park** on Saturday, September 23rd beginning at 10 AM. We have invited other area congregations to join us. There will be food, fun and Art will be bringing a special lesson. Make plans to attend.
- Please submit your Biblical questions to the elders or Art for the **4th Sunday Question & Answer Service** on September 24h.
- Ladies are encouraged to sign up to make **Visitor's Bread** for our visitors. The sign-up sheet is posted in the foyer.
- Men are encouraged to sign-up to take care of the **yard/lawn maintenance** in the foyer. There are a couple of months available yet this year.
- Please remember to stop by the Bulletin Board in the foyer to read all the new flyers that are posted weekly from area congregations. This is how to stay informed in the happenings in the area.

He Who Dies With The Most Toys Wins...

Several years ago I discovered the above saying. Actually a good friend of mine, Mike Moore, and I used to joke with one another about any new tools, cars, etc., that we would get that we were one up on each other. I was in a car parts store and saw the poster with the saying on it and bought two, one for Mike and one for myself. Neither one of us took that philosophy of life seriously, but it was a "guy thing" to do.

That has probably been 20 years ago, and recently I finally saw a poster with the rest of the saying. It read, "He who dies with the most toys wins...but he still dies." Wow! Doesn't that make you stop and think?

Jesus told a story that says it all in **Luke 12:16-21**, "Then he spoke a parable to them saying, The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself saying, What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops? So he said, I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink and be merry. But God said to him, Fool! This night your soul will be required of you, then whose will those things be which you have provided? So is he who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God.

When you are looking over all you own and are thinking about it maybe you should consider that next purchase or acquisition. Don't just think about how much or how much more you will have at retirement...just think about "my good things." Remember what God said, "...this night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?"

May you lay up the truly good and lasting thing, because in the end we all still die.

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Elder's Corner... Brethren, we are encouraged about our upcoming Family Retreat, September 23rd, at 10:00AM at Crooked River State Park. We have reserved pavilion #1. A Christian family retreat provides a number of benefits to those partaking in the events. Church retreats create a bonding and a community with those people that are closest to you spiritually, as well as supporting those people and the church itself. We wanted to take a moment to personally encourage you to make plans to attend our upcoming retreat. As a family in Christ our fellowship with one another is part of the lifeblood that helps keep our faith strong. Relationships are only built by being together and communicating with one another.

Family retreats give an opportunity to build spiritual strength and memories that will stay with us the remainder of our Christian walk. Art will bring a special thought on our theme this year the—Will of God. Terry and Luke have picked out some songs to sing that also focus on our theme. We will have activities and games for all ages.

The main course of hamburgers and hot dogs along with drinks will be provided. We ask you to bring a favorite side dish, salad, or dessert. If you have some outdoor games that you would like to share, bring those as well.

We believe that you will come away from this retreat spiritually enriched and a little closer unified in doing the will of God. We have been praying for you and want to encourage you again to come to be part of this wonderful day.

Sermon Topics

AM: The Christian & Prayer (James 5:13-18)
PM: Bible Character-Ezra

Preacher's Corner... Do we have idols? Someone may say that "we've advanced far beyond that as a civilization." This could not be farther from the truth. I believe civilization has as much of a problem with idolatry as it ever has. No, I'm not talking about the idol worshipers of the Hindu religion, etc but idols of the heart. An idol can be anything that takes the place of God in in our lives. It doesn't have to be something carved of stone or wood but something abstract like covetousness, "Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry." (Col. 3:5). God is to be first in our lives (Matt. 6:33) and when He no longer occupies the place of supremacy whatever replaced Him is our idol. So, are you an idolater?