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November 25, 2011

Order of Worship

*Welcome*Eddie Sanders

Song Leader Kerry Cole & Jon Ewing

Opening Prayer
Travis Morrison

The Lord's Supper
John Dutton

Contribution
John Dutton

LessonBill McFarland

Announcements
Eddie Sanders

Closing Prayer
Andy McFarland

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)

Welcome Visitors

We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

Just You and God

Sometimes, just one simple verse of Scripture can be a spark for meaningful meditation or a great motivation. Consider this one concerning our Savior: "Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed" (Mk. 1:35). This thought in and of itself is amazing in many ways, but is made more so by the context, by what Jesus had done the day previous: He preached, cast out demons, preached more, healed Peter's mother-in-law, and then to finish off the day the "whole city" came to the house "after the sun had set," and He healed some more, surely deep into the night.

After all that, He didn't sleep in to try to get His rest or take a day off, but rather arose "a long while before daylight," to be alone with God.

For Meditation: When is the last time you got up early—before work, before school, before the kids—and said, "I need some time alone with God?" Jesus was the Son of God, Deity in the flesh, and made time for it, presumably because He needed that period of intimacy and quiet, alone with His Father. Who are we, being finite, imperfect, sinful human beings, to believe that we don't need it as well?

How busy and occupied are our lives and our minds! Take time to unburden your heart from busyness, remove the stress and tension of the rat race, and pour out your heart, even in solemn silence, to the Father. In 1891, one writer said, "Seldom find we a soul still enough to hear God speak." May we not be in that company. "*Be still* and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10).

Adam B.

Unconfin Avenus

- James River Nursing Home Devo is Saturday at 2 p.m. All who can are encouraged to attend.
- Golden Agers meet Dec. 2 at 4 p.m.
- Quilters meet Dec. 4 at 10 am
- Ladies Bible Class meets Thursday, December 13 at 10:30; potluck lunch will follow

YOUTH

- Sat, Dec. 15—Youth Hike, Buffalo River Trail in AR. Details soon.
- Jan. 19-20—Youth Outreach University (Y.O.U) youth rally in Conway,
 AR. \$30/student, housing w/ members.
 Adam needs a count of who is going by mid-December. Details to come.



Saturday, December 8

8:30—9:30 a.m. here at the building. Please sign the signup sheet by December 5 if

you plan to attend. Please join us as we enjoy the fellowship and prayer time by our Elders.

The Elders ask for names of Godly men to be Deacons, as we see in 1 Timothy 3:8-13. Please turn the names in to the Elders by December 9th.

If you can provide a meal for Adam and Sara Stipp after the baby is born (soon), please sign the list at the Information Desk.

WE WILL BE HOLDING A WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT EXCHANGE AFTER EVENING SERVICE, SUNDAY DEC 2ND. PLEASE BRING YOUR FAMILY AND A CHEAP FUNNY GIFT. IT WILL BE \$5 A FAMILY TO COVER THE COST OF THE PIZZA. WE WILL HAVE WATER, TEA AND LEMONADE TO DRINK. PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE SIGN UP SHEET IN THE FOYER BY THE MORNING OF DEC 2ND. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUES-TIONS YOU CAN SEE THRESA HANSEN, MEGAN GLENN, JENNY CARROLL OR TABBY BLANEY.

In Our Prayers

- Sometime to remember Eula Compton, Thelma Fain, Alice Allen, Leona Snider, Lucille Ford
- It was good to see Pat Woods home from CA Friends and Family:
- ♦ Don Lewis, Tiffany Meeks' father, as he is dealing with some very serious health issues
- ♦ Continue to remember Judy Dixon, from the Brandsville congregation and Johnnie Elliff's sister, Annie Hysaw
- ♦ Carolyn Young's sister, Nita, is doing well after surgery last **Tuesday**

COLLEGE MINISTRY:

If you can help assemble the Finals Care Packages tomorrow evening for the College Students, please see Daniel or Elizabeth.

December Anniversaries

6 JJ/Ashley Blevins 4 yrs. 7 Jackie/Virginia Buck 54 yrs. 10 Jim/Ruth Reaves 47 yrs. 11 Ryan/Jeanne Friend 2 yrs. 20 Andy/Kirsten McFarland 4 yrs. 22 Tom/Jammie Davis 18 yrs. 28 Eddie/Donna Sanders 55 yrs. 30 Barney/Debbie Crawford 40 yrs. 31 Eddie/Linda Currier 41 yrs.



Birthdays

1 Sheryl Low 3 Ashlyn Wuench 4 Marsha Bower Regina Woods 5 Sarah Griffin 6 Nancy Johnson Adam Barton

Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

AM Nursery: Linda Currier

Greeters: Randy & Orvella Blackburn

Van Driver: Kirk Tracy/576-4591

Brendan Carroll/Carl Tindall Serve

Dustin Stokes/Randy Blackburn Communion:

> Adam Barton/Scott Barton JJ Blevins/Tim Bowling

Jackie Buck/Kyle Buckner

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: Jeremy Thurlkill Opening Prayer: Eddie Sanders Lesson: Adam Blaney Closing Prayer: Daniel Wilson Communion: B. Glenn/J. Hulett Nursery: Glenda Thurlkill

NEXT WEEK. December 2

MORNING **EVENING**

Song Leader: Kerry Cole Larry Baggett Opening Prayer: Jeremy Thurlkill Adam Barton

Communion: Jeff Fisher T. Jobes/Matt Keener

Tom Meeks Wayne Harmon Closing Prayer:

AM Nursery: Donna Jordan/Michelle Hulett PM Nursery: Lisa Stayton/Emily Simons Greeters: Truman & Helen Coltrane Van Driver: Daniel Wilson/773-6707

MONTH OF NOV.

AV Room: Linda Barnett/

Travis Morrison

Secure Paul Lines/ Building: Tim Buckner Wednesday, November 28

Devotional: Eddie Currier

Song Leader: Tom Easterly

Prayer: Ron Stokes

Jason Luna/ Van Driver:

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