

Weekly Newsletter

November 4, 2018

Contemplating My Vote

- 1. I believe there is a blessed and only Sovereign. Honor and eternal dominion belongs to him (1 Tim. 6:15,16). It still will after the vote.
- 2. Government is not God, but governing authorities are his servants, responsible to him for approving what is good and avenging wrongdoing, for punishing those who do evil and praising those who do good (Rom. 13:1,4; 1 Pet. 2:14).
- 3. Citizens of heaven in any country are to live as God's servants also, intending to honor authorities he has sent, seeking His glory and the welfare of their community by good and honorable conduct (1 Pet. 2:12,16,17). That includes me.
- 4. Each of us is accountable to both the Lord and to governing authorities as an individual (Rom. 13:5; 14:12). I think in terms of persons, not voting blocks.
- 5. The prayers of the church for those in high positions establish my concerns: that the people of God may lead quiet and peaceful lives, able to practice godliness with dignity, that other people may be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim. 2:2,4). My primary interests lie here.
- 6. Having a say in who occupies a position in these human institutions is a sobering privilege, one that is to be exercised by application of the above principles. But that isn't easy. There are multiple factors to consider in the face of competing claims. I will do my best to think it through.
- 7. I will start with my basic convictions, pray for wisdom, and proceed with humility. That will mean determining what is real, considering what my choices will mean in the long run, and doing honest best to represent the principles by which I believe life works. Then I will express my view of what should be.
- 8. Though I will do this hopefully, I will remain realistic about the human condition. Our problem is sinfulness in our hearts, words, actions, and relationships. Without something that changes us, government, at best, can only rearrange the problems.
- 9. I will expect to continue living as a child of God afterward. The main things for me will still be that our Father's name be kept holy, that his kingdom prosper, that his will be done, and that I have bread for the day, mercy in relationships, strength in trials, and deliverance from the evil one (Matt. 6:9f). And all that will still depend on God, not government.

-Bill McFarland

Order of Worship

Song Leader Kerry Cole

Welcome

#44 #248 (1,2,6)

Opening Prayer Allen McCann

> #424 #68

The Lord's Supper Jon Ewing

> Offering Jon Ewing

> > #983 #116

Message Bill McFarland

#328 (1,4)

Announcements Jerry Young

#684 (1,3)

Closing Prayer Jonathan Pendergraft

Frayer List and Notes

Welcome Visi

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.

For The Record

October 28 Bible Study: 200 Morning: 300 Evening: 140 Wednesday (10/31): 145 Contribution: \$ 9.019

Former member Evelyn Haguewood has been moved to the following long-term facility: Louisburg Healthcare 1200 S Broadway St Louisburg, KS 66053 Her daughter thought cards would be good to help with the transition.

AREA EVENTS

11/10 Women's Conference at Northside Church of Christ in Harrison, AR 11-14 Gospel Meeting at Highlandville church of Christ with Pat Cowden

Brochures on Bulletin Board

PRAY Sanother

Continue to remember Rachel Lilly, Ron Bower

- JAMES 5:16 ◆ Marsha Bower is now at Wilson's Creek, Room Birchwood 123, 3403 W Mt Vernon St, Springfield, 65802
- Virginia Buck has been in and out of the hospital this past week due to Afib.
- ♦ Mike Thurlkill's recovery from surgery to reattach his bicep on the right arm is going well.
- **Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney** as Clarence deals with some health issues; cards would be appreciated while they are homebound.
- Former members **Bob & Ellie Swartz** need our prayers; would love to hear from us: 220 NW Georgetown Ave., Unit 6, Ankeny IA 50023.
- Jim & Ruth Reaves are still at Arbor Suites at the Mall, Room 1014 due to their apartment flooding a couple weeks ago; please check on them (522-3050). Keep them in your prayers as they deal with all of this.

Friends & Family

- Continue to remember Lowell Kennemer (friend of the Lunas); Dang Naguyen (11508 Finnegans Way, Oregon City, OR 97045); Neal Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father; Daniel Horton's mom as she deals with serious issues.
- Frank Cunningham, Elizabeth Lilly's dad, has a brain lesion; has an appointment with neurologist November 21.
- Bill's mom, <u>Pauline Redmon</u>, is not doing well; she is at Care Manor, 804 Burnett, Mountain Home, AR 72653.



We extend our sympathy to Illene Birdsong and her family in the loss of her brother, Arlan Parker, who passed away Monday. Services were held in Kansas on Saturday.

We also extend our sympathy to Lucile High and her family in the loss of her nephew, Jim Shelby, who passed away in Grove, OK.

Pleasant View School WHINDR invites Veterans and VIELDERANS their families to a Veteran's Day Assembly at 8:15 a.m. on FRIDAY. Veterans will have special seating at the

front of the gym. They will also be serving bagels and coffee at 7:45. If you are interested in attending, please see letter on **Information Desk for more** information.



OF DUR

Congratulations to the Sekulic Family on the birth of KAIZLEE, who was born Saturday, 10/27, weighing 7lbs 1 oz, 19.5" long. All are doing well. Also congrats to Tim & Becky Marsolf as Kaizlee is their 14th

grandchild!

Glendale High

School invites

vou to be their

Guest at their

Veterans Day Assembly

on November 12;

refreshments at 9:30

a.m.: assembly begins at

10 a.m. Catered lunch to

follow. Please enter

through the south doors

near the gym. Thank you

for your service to our

country.

We are continuing our Wednesday night series, **OUR ONE ANOTHER** WORK. Hope you can be present!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS are served from 5 to 6 p.m. \$3 each. Sign up at Info Desk.

Ann Freeze **Chloe Gaddis** Jerry Gillespie **Frances Grann Nancy Snider** Lonnie Wilkinson B

AB **Expectant** Moms **Christina Snitker** Jan. 2019/BOY

Marsha Bower **Ron Bower Don Essex Clarence Feenev Ola Jean Feeney Doris Iorg Doris Tobler** Nursing Homes Ella Mae Findlav Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot

Long Term/

Shut-Ins

News and Activities

Adult Bible Classes

Our second meeting to discuss our Adult Bible Classes will be <u>November 11</u> at 4 P.M. in room 126. Anyone with ideas for our classes and who want to help plan for 2019, please come on <u>November 11</u> and/or <u>December 2</u>. You're invited to attend one or all of the meetings. - Jon Ewing

Ladies Bible Class

LADIES CLASS WILL MEET THURSDAY <u>AT 10:30 AM</u>.

This week's lesson, "Walk with One Another" will be led by Jan Bowling. All ladies are invited to attend.

<u>*Quilters/Sewers*</u> meet each Thursday at 9 a.m. before Ladies Class.



Baby Shower for Christina Snitker

Sunday, November 25, beginning at 3 p.m. Christina and Brock are expecting a boy. They have not registered anywhere as of this printing.



- 18 Youth Night at Sunset
- December 16 <u>Youth caroling</u> <u>day at the nursing home</u>. We will plan to bring a sack lunch and meet right after morning service to make cards and eat and then load the buses around 1:00 to head out to the nursing homes. People should dress festively :)

<u>Feeding the Homeless</u> and Underprivileged

SUNDAY, December 2 MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<u>Birthdays</u>

4 Lanae Gillespie Daniel Wilson **5 Hannah Stayton** 7 Cooper Griffin 9 Tecumseh Usserv 10 Cindy Hannah Kasev Sekulic 11 Betty Holden Linda Currier **Deborah Kern** Debbi Ratterree 12 Judy Johnson 14 Reid Hollingsworth 14 Carol Tovar **Richmond Griter** 16 Ann Fahr 17 Suzanne Dabbs Kay McFarland



SERVICE ROSTERS

THIS MORNING

Jackie & Virginia Buck Greeters: Van Driver: No bus service today Melinda Barton/Donna Jordan Nursery: Serve Communion

> **Byrle Hayter** John Hulett **Tucker** Jobes Matt Keener David Kern

Todd Kraus **Russell Lilly** Paul Lines Kaven Mahon Tim Marsolf

THIS EVENING

Song Leader: **Opening Prayer:** Tim Stockstill Lesson: **Closing Prayer:** Communion: Nursery:

Travis Morrison Bill McFarland Ron Stokes J. Thurlkill/A. Barton Linda Tracy/Gloria Luallin

NEXT WEEK, November 11

AM Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing Song Leader: **Opening Prayer:** *Cambre Thrasher* **Communion: David Grimm Closing Prayer:** Patrick Springer Greeters: **Brendan & Jennv Carroll** Van Driver: No Bus Service Nursery: AM: Wanita Duncan/Donna Jordan **PM:** Alice Buckner

РМ **Travis Morrison Barry Hannah** J. Thurlkill/A. Barton **Bryan Hannah**

Wednesday, November 7

Devotional: Travis Morrison Song Leader: Jackie Buck **Prayer:** Adam Blanev Van Driver: Tim Stockstill/849-7678

Bible Classes (Adult)

Sunday AM

Room 126 Auditorium Room 129 Room 130 Room 119

Bill McFarland Byron Nichols Jon Ewing Paul Lines Jeremy Thurlkill

Sundays @9:00 am

Sunday School

"Here in the Power of Christ I Stand" Adult Adult Things Surely Believed Among Us Adult The Gift of the Holy Spirit Chronological Study of the Bible Adult College The Church of the Bible

WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission Voice of Truth International **Charles Renfro, Latin American** Missions **Churches of Christ Disaster Relief** Fair Haven Children's Home

"In Search of the Lord's Way" 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10

"KNOW YOUR BIBLE" 10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship......10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship.......5:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Class....6:30 PM

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