



Weekly Newsletter

October 4, 2020

Order of Worship

Greeting

Song Leader Kerry Cole

> #220 #730

Prayer Brian Carroll

#761 #499 (1,2,3)

Message Bill McFarland

> #402 (1,2) #752

The Lord's Supper Jason Luna

#392

Announcements/ Prayer Jon Ewing



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

Arguments That Are Not Ours

I've been thinking about what the Lord said about "the world" as he was passing through his "hour." He told his disciples, "The ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me...You are not of the world; I chose you out of the world...In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world (Jn. 14:30; 15:19; 16:33).

He prayed to his Father, "They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world" (Jn. 17:14b-16).

He said to Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world...my kingdom is not from the world...For this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice" (Jn. 18:36, 37b).

It has always been the case that the Lord's people are in the world but not of the world. "As he is so also are we in this world," as John puts it (1 Jn. 4:17). What overcomes the world is our faith—the one in whom we believe is greater that the one who is in the world (1 Jn. 4:4; 5:4).

That means the Lord's people always have found themselves living amidst the cross-currents of arguments that are not our own. It was that way during the ministry of Jesus as his disciples tried to follow him as the Jewish parties, the Roman power, and the world's passions swirled around them.

We are still trying to be true to the Lord in the middle of many arguments that are not are own. We pray for wisdom to recognize which is which. We depend upon the understanding of each other with regard to which are ours and which we're just trying to deal with.

-Bill McFarland



- Carolyn Young will FINALLY have knee replacement surgery on Tuesday.
- Ruth Raines is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on Thursday.
- Jim Reaves has been moved to Jordan Creek Rehab.
- Nancy Snider as she deals with health issues. Nancy's brother, James Snider, is in Mercy with COVID.
- The Essex's granddaughter, Victoria Lacy, learned Friday that she has cancer in 3 of the 19 lymph nodes that were tested. She will have to have more chemo. Cards of encouragement can be sent to 6915 Glenwood St., Overland Park, Kansas, 66204.
- The Meeks Family and Sue Lewis have their plate full. Tom's aunt and Tiffany's uncle (Sue's brother-in-law) has passed away from COVID. Tom's sister and brother-in-law are both very sick with the virus. Tiffany's brother-in-law Clint White is scheduled to have open heart surgery double valve replacement the first week of November in Cleveland Ohio.
- Jim Elliff will begin training for in-home dialysis on the 12th. Linda Currier's brother Joe Burney, is now at Strafford Care Center. David Grimm's mother, Dorothy, is not doing well. Connie Westerman as she continues to improve. Gene Lund will not see the doctor until November. Truman Coltrane is not doing well. Gerri Dicken's friend, Jewell's 3 year old granddaughter Presley who has Acute Bal Leukemia. Wayne Thompson & family, friends of the Lunas, as he deals with serious health problems.

• Continued prayers for health concerns: Ron Bower, Julie Alexander, Dennis Smith, Marty Long, Frank Cunningham, Russell Harber, Betty Grabber, Lynette Schreiwes

Shut-Ins **Barbara Barnes Ron Bower Mary Bratcher** Don Essex Clarence Feeney Ola Jean Feeney Cecil/Wanda Frost **Doris lorg** Jim/Ruth Reaves **Doris Tobler Nursing Homes** Ella Mae Findlay Ann Freeze **Wayne Harmon** Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

THIS WEEK ...

- ♦ Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet on the 8th at 10:30 am. Jan Bowling will be teaching from the book, "The Begging Place," by Becky Fowler Blackmon. The lesson title is "Don't Be a Pharisee."
- Quilters will meet at 9 am & Card Makers will meet at 9:30.



We extend our sincere sympathy to Gene Lund and his family in the loss of his brother James who passed away recently. Gene and Ruth would like to thank each of you for every act

of kindness and concern shown them during this difficult time.

Baylee Hedden asked for prayers on behalf of the Mammoth Springs congregation. One of their elders. Steve Russell, passed away from COVID. He was

in his 50's. He and his family were very dear to Baylee as she was growing up. Please pray for the Russell family, the congregation, Baylee and her family as they deal with this loss.



We just wanted to say thank you to all of the youth group kids and their families for proclaiming God's word to our younger

kids Sunday night. You were all so patient and kind and inspiring, using your talents to share Christ with us. It was encouraging to see His light shine through you. Thank you, all! The Usserys



Family Bible Time

Sunday, October 4 5-7 p.m. at the Ussery's house



Birthdavs 4 Lexie Brill **Emma Winters** 5 Fred Lorenz 6 Charles Crum 9 Rosemary Sanders 10 Randy Blackburn Aaron Schwartz 11 Dave Blackburn 12 Jerry Brummet 14 Amy Winters 16 Lisa Stokes Celeste Loomis Ike Ussery

WEDNESDAY **EVENING:**

Please join us Wednesday at 6:30 via FB livestream. Each Wednesday evening we'll post a class for adults titled "Wonderful: the Mighty Works of Jesus."

A class for second through sixth graders by Justin will be posted. The theme is "Think" (based on Phil. 4:8), and it includes ways for parents to help.

Schedule of Sunday Services

♦ In-Person Worship at 10 a.m. and live on our Facebook page at 10 a.m.



5 Luis/Carol Tovar 29 yrs. 13 Jeremy/Alison Thurlkill 2 yrs. 21 Greg/Scheryl Larimore 9 yrs. 25 Jon/Coveatte Ewing 34 yrs.

