



Weekly Newsletter

November 1, 2020

Order of Worship

GreetingJustin Hatfield

Song Leader Jon Ewing

#844 (2x) #853 #618

PrayerTravis Morrison

#659 (v.1, 2, 3) #883

*Message*Bill McFarland

#215 #730 (v.1)

The Lord's Supper Elijah Morrison

#144 (v.1, 3, 4)

Announcements/ Prayer
Barney Crawford



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

A Praying People

We are living through extraordinary times. I have heard often the phrase "What a world we're living in" or "This year has been a nightmare" or "I wish this year would have never happened." You may have heard these or similar, you may have even uttered a few yourself. It seems as though there has never been a time full of so much uncertainty and unrest. It is difficult to see the end of it or imagine what "normal" will look like when the dust finally settles. However, as the writer of Ecclesiastes so eloquently puts it, "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again, there is nothing new under the sun." (1:9)

As God's people we are blessed. Numerous reasons abound but the blessing that most comes to mind at this moment is that God, in His wisdom, has given us a record of His people's experiences and prayers throughout time. For those of us living through it, 2020 is unique, unheard of and confusing. However, 2020 is not the only time in which God's people have faced political disparity, health concerns, social upheaval, confusion and loss. We are blessed because all of the above have come and gone and come and gone again and we have the witness of scripture to help us put words to our anguish. We have the prayers of God's people to help us give voice to our confusion. We have the words of the faithful to give us expressions of hope.

Over the past few weeks we have been offering up prayer focused on our country, God's people and our families. In times good and bad God's people should always turn to Him in prayer.

Tonight, we invite you to join us for a time of prayer beginning at 5pm here at the building. This is for anyone who would like to simply come and pray in fellowship. Our time together will focus on the prayers of God's people throughout scripture seeking to model our own requests and thanksgivings on them as we open our hearts to God.

-Justin



- Josh Brumfield—continued prayers as he recovers.
- Nancy Snider as she deals with health issues and the recent loss of her brother. Also, //> Nancy's sister, Paula Hunt, was recently admitted to Mercy Hospital and is not doing well.
- Sandra Pingenot fell and broke her knee cap. She is still in the Skilled Nursing part of Manor Care. She has a doctor's appointment November 4th and is hoping she can return to her Assisted Living apartment. Cards or phone calls will be appreciated. Her number is 417-763-2520.
- The Essex's granddaughter, Victoria Lacy, is now home from the hospital. She wanted to thank everyone so much for their prayers during her recent hospitalization. Her chemotherapy was moved back a week and she asked that we continue to remember her in our prayers.
- Jim Elliff, as he recently began dialysis last week. Training is over and the dialysis is going well. Please keep Jim and Johnnie in your prayers.
- Sue Lewis' son-in-law Clint White is scheduled to have open heart surgery-double valve replacement November 9th in Cleveland Ohio.
- David Grimm's mother, Dorothy, is not doing well.
- Connie Westerman as she continues to improve.
- Truman Coltrane is having some good days but needs our continued prayers.
- Gerri Dicken's friend, Jewell's 3 year old granddaughter Presley who has Acute Bal Leukemia.
- Gary & Tina Emerson both tested positive for COVID. Gary is holding steady and making slight improvement and needs our continued prayers.
- Bob Horton's brother, <u>Dale Horton</u>, fell and broke his ankle—please keep him and his family in your prayers.
- Continued prayers for health concerns: Ron Bower, Dennis Smith, Marty Long, Julie Alexander, Frank Cunningham, Carolyn Young, Ruth Raines, Jim Reaves, Marlene Matthews

THIS WEEK ...

- ◆ Daylight Savings Time Ends November 1st. Move your clocks BACK 1 hour!
- ◆ Thursday Ladies Bible Class will meet on November 5th at 10:30 am. Jan Bowling will be teaching from the book, "The Begging Place," by Becky Fowler Blackmon. The lesson title is "The Best Way to Pray".
- ◆ Quilters will meet at 9 am; Card Makers will meet at 9:30.

BIBLE CLASSES

- begin Sunday morning,
- A meeting for Teachers to plan for those classes will

- In-person Bible classes will Nov. 15.
- be Sun., Nov. 1 at 2:00 pm.

November Birthdays 1 Ron Stokes

2 Ruth Raines Jerry Young Kerry Cole Landon Sekulic 3 Ron Bower

Liam Hatfield 4 Lanae Gillespie Daniel Wilson

5 Hannah Stayton

9 Tecumseh Ussery 10 Cindy Hannah Kasey Sekulic

11 Betty Holden Linda Currier

12 Judy Johnson

14 Reid Hollingsworth

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

November Anniversaries

1 Fred/Amy Winters—23 years 2 John/Teresa Mahon-46 years 3 Denzil/Ruth Raines—59 years 6 Larry/Jo Baggett—44 years 16 Aubrey/Anita Cobb-52 years 16 Sam/Julie Gillham-52 years 24 Verl/Karen Duncan—59 years 27 Randy/Orvella Blackburn—16 years

I just wanted to say a great big thank you for all the cards, prayers, and phone calls during this long ordeal. I still have a way to go but I can see the light at the end of the tunnel. God bless each and every one of you. We love you.

Thank

Carolyn Young

WEDNESDAY **EVENING:**

Please join us Wednesday at 6:30 via FB livestream. Bill will begin a new series November 4th.

A class for second through sixth graders by Justin will be posted. The theme is "Heroes of Faith" (Hebrews 11)

Schedule of Sunday Services

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

Health Care Workers:

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

Deana Asher Vickie Baker Audra Bowling Morgan Burdette Susan Crum Gaitha Downing Josiah Downing Megan Hollingsworth Mike Jackson Andrea James Kelli Kirk Elizabeth Lilly Luke Lines Lori McCall Kim Maples McKensi Murphy Pam Morrison Aaron Morrison Shawn Sekulic Julie Taylor **Brittany Springer** Lisa Stokes **Dustin Stokes** Kevin Westerman Terri Wilson

Family: Ashley Hopper Brandon Snider Allison Snider Connie Snider Elaina Stockstill



New Fleece located at the East Desk