

TODAY'S SERVANTS

DOOR GREETERS

SOUTH: DeAnna Flowers
MIDDLE: Barry King
NORTH: Jeremy Crum

ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READER: Mark Gooding

EVENING WORSHIP LEADERS

SONG LEADER: Ryan Cox
OPENING PRAYER: Jay Allison
LESSON: Gary Meeker
CLOSING PRAYER: Ray Smith

Goals & Achievements

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Last Week</u>
Sunday Bible Class	81
Sunday A.M. Worship	175
Sunday P.M. Worship	90
Wednesday Bible Class	100

Last Week's Gifts & Offerings

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$3,559.19	\$3,759.52	+\$200.33

Benevolent Gifts & Offerings

<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$3,000.00	\$0.00	-\$3,000.00

FEBRUARY ASSIGNMENTS

ASSISTING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:

Henry Batin Sean Alexander Mark Gooding
Austin Hawkins Ron Johnson Bob Zachary

BAPTISMAL CLOTHING: Chris & Antonia Hollingsworth

COMMUNION: Chris & Antonia Hollingsworth

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Robert Allison

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHERS:

Ages 3-5: Chris & Antonia Hollingsworth
Grades K-4: Richard Shelton

SHEPHERDS OF THE FLOCK

Norman Alexander 356-4483
Robert Allison, Sr. 534-3569
Barry King 778-4624
Gary Meeker 778-2868

PREACHING MINISTER

Gary Meeker 778-2868

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER

Ryan Cox 643-5152

SERVANTS OF THE CHURCH

EDUCATION/YOUTH, Richard Shelton 356-4473
FACILITIES, Ray Smith 649-7279
FINANCES/BUDGET, Dan Smith 642-4819
HEAT/AIR SYSTEMS, Jim Hodges 649-5143
MISSIONS, Jay Allison 649-5607
SAFETY SYSTEMS, Charles Buckner 642-6991
SUPPORT/SPECIAL SERVICES, Mark Gooding 724-9428
WORSHIP, Jim Morris 534-4448

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**ASSEMBLIES OF
THE CHURCH**

Sunday Morning
Bible Study:
9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning
Worship:
10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening
Worship:
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening
Bible Study:
7:00 p.m.

Bible Study at other
times by appointment

Office Hours:
M-F, 9a-2p

Complainers

By: Ryan Cox

Complaining is often just tossed in a bucket and categorized with those sins that somehow excusable. We all know these sins that are overlooked; gossiping, forsaking the assembly, complaining, white lies, cursing, breaking vows. Complaining falls into this category, which can be titled as, "That's just the way they are" or "That's just so and so" sins. It is excused because it parades itself around as part of a person's character and personality. The apostle Paul told the Philippians, "Do all things without murmurings and disputings; That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world" (Philippians 2:14-15). According to Paul, if a person was a complainer, he was not blameless, harmless, or without rebuke, nor could he shine as a light to the world.

We often fail to comprehend the damage that is brought about by a few negative words. Complainers lack the authority or the means of making a reasonable objection, other than, they object for personal reasons or gain. If they had a reasonable or scriptural objection they would gladly make reference, explain or cite why they pose the objection. Instead the complainer will do anything to get their way. They will argue, gossip, naysay, talk, interrupt, and politicize at every opportunity, in an attempt to get those around them to give up and give in to their demands.

While people, including those in the church, often give in to complainers just to "keep the peace," God never does. There is a product on the market that cleans "Engine Gunk," this product keeps your engine running smooth and efficiently. Complaining is the Gunk that slows down the growth of Christ's Kingdom, we need to get the gunk out! Complaining is sinful and will cost you your soul. Therefore, "Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer" (1 Corinthians 10:10).

WEDNESDAY EVENING- FEBRUARY 23, 2011

SONG LEADER: Jay Allison
DEVOTIONAL: Kevin Wash
CLOSING PRAYER: Jim Watters

SERVING NEXT LORD'S DAY- FEBRUARY 27, 2011

DOOR GREETERS

SOUTH: Ufanell Jones
MIDDLE: Bob Moorman
NORTH: Matthew Johnson

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY: Jim Harrison

SONG LEADERS

A.M. Kevin Wash
P.M. Jay Allison

THE LORD'S TABLE:

1ST PRAYER: Kevin Wash
2ND PRAYER: Danny Smith

SCRIPTURE READING:

PRIMARY: Jim Watters
ALTERNATE: Donovan Archer

LEADING IN PRAYER:

A.M. OPENING: Norman Alexander
A.M. CLOSING: Bill Etchison
P.M. OPENING: Barry King
P.M. CLOSING: Charles Buckner



Welcome

A robust welcome to one and all! With genuine joy let us open our minds and hearts to God, share ourselves with one another and dedicate ourselves to being servants in the kingdom of God.

Please take the time to fill out an attendance card and place it in the offering tray at the appropriate time.

Please remember to silence all pagers and cell phones during worship.

A Bible class is available during the sermon for children from age 3 and up thru the 4th grade. Children will be dismissed after the Lord's Supper Observance.

To our members: Please take the time to fill out an Event Card and place it in the offering tray. We would like a record of how often we, as a congregation, have reached out to our brethren each week. Thank you.

~The Elders

The Watering Hole

Gospel Minutes

Questions and
Bible Answers

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

Song Service led by: Jim Harrison

Greeting the Assembly: Bob Moorman

871– Beautiful

808– Abide with Me

Prayer: Bob Moorman

581– I'd Rather Have Jesus

Offering

513– I Will Sing of My Redeemer

The Lord's Supper

1st Prayer– Jim Watters

2nd Prayer—Bud Ray

480– Blessed Assurance
(Children dismissed to classes)

570– A Beautiful Life

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:38-42

Justin Mattox

Congregation: Psalms 118:24

*“This is the day that the Lord has made;
I will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Lesson: Gary Meeker

924– Just As I Am

Announcements: Robert Allison

867– To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way

Prayer: Kevin Wash

Feb. 26-Mar. 1

Gospel Meeting

The Summit City Church of Christ in Ft. Wayne will be having a Gospel Meeting with guest speaker, Mike Gors. The meeting's theme is “We Are God's Fellow-Workers” (I Corinthians 3:9).

Lesson topics and meeting times are posted on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.

Today is Special

*Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,
who walk in the light of your presence, O Lord.
~Psalm 89:15*

Today is not just an ordinary day. It's one like no other day we have ever lived. “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it” (Psalm 118:24). No matter if it's raining, snowing, blowing, or boiling, we need to rejoice and be glad in this day. Let's do something special: Make a new meal or clothes item, stroll through the park, fly a kite with the children, paint the bathroom, clean out a closet.

Today is not just an ordinary day. Today God has opened new opportunities, the past is history, and the future won't be until tomorrow. Today is all we can live. So let's celebrate! Let's read a poem, write a poem, write a song, or sing a song of praise. God delights in showering us with His very special blessings. “Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows” (James 1:17).

Today is a special day because we realize that God freely offers us His best gifts to enjoy. In John 10:10 Jesus states, “I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.” He wants us to have a full and abundant life. He has spread a banquet for us.

Since this is a special day, let's thank God for this free gift of life. Let's praise Him for who he is. Let's trust Him for the days to come. This abundant life fills the God-void in our lives, and it also provides us with power to overcome the problems of life. So step out in faith and give Jesus all your cares!

A prayer for today: Father God, let us rejoice in this day that You have given to us. We want to count our blessings. Let us look at today as a gift from You. We want to be good stewards of Your time. No matter what comes into our lives today, we know You have screened it so that we are capable of handling it. We want to rejoice and be glad in this day. Amen.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Happy Birthday to:

Rosie Alexander.....Feb. 21	Vic Stalcup.....Feb. 22
Mike Wade.....Feb. 22	Hailey Harrison.....Feb. 24
Chacho Aquilera.....Feb. 25	Heather Wolf.....Feb. 25
Henry Batin.....Feb. 26	

TODAY

Pitch-in

Our monthly birthday/anniversary celebration will take place after the evening worship assembly. February's theme is Mexican!
We need 2-liter bottles of Pop!

YOUTH NEWS

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of monthly devotional/activity hosts for 2011.*

LTC 2011 :

TODAY~ (We will begin on time, don't be late!)

Bible Quiz - 4:00 p.m. (If you need to make up a quiz, be here at 3:30 pm.)

Group Singing - 4:30 pm.

~**Service Challenge Team:** There will be a party on Feb. 26 at 5:00 pm to celebrate your accomplishments over the last several months! Please remember to bring 5 articles of clothing from your closet to donate.

Grades 7-12~ The Towne Acres Church of Christ is hosting a lock-in March 4 at 8:00 pm to March 5 at 8:30 am. More details are posted on the Youth bulletin board.*

Some dates and times have changed. Please make a note of it!

*CHECK THE YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD FOR SIGN-UP SHEETS

Sunday Morning Sermon:

Taking Revenge

Gary Meeker

Text: Matthew 5:38-42

38) You have heard that it was said, 'AN EYE FOR AN EYE, AND A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH.' 39) "But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. 40) "If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. 41) "Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. 42") Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you. ~NASB

I. The Teaching Of The Law

A. Concerning an eye for an eye

B. From the context...

C. The way the Pharisees used it

D. No room for "personal" vengeance

II. The Righteousness Taught By Jesus

A. Jesus proclaimed two principles

B. Is this to be taken literally?

C. Are we to apply it unconditionally?

Sunday Evening Sermon:

The New Jerusalem

Gary Meeker

I. What John Sees

A. The vision

B. Who is there

C. Who is not there

II. Heaven Provides Perfect...

A. Protection

B. Provision

C. Fellowship

D. Joy

ANNOUNCEMENTS**In need of prayer****Ron Johnson** had a heart catheterization earlier this week.**Gary Meeker** is scheduled for back surgery next Wednesday.**Tiena Smith** has double ear infection.**Jean Kendall** is doing very well! She has been moved to a rehab center in Panama City, FL.

With Sympathy: **Chris Hollingsworth's** mother, **Patty Jones**, passed away last Wednesday. Visitation is today at Rozelle-Johnson Funeral Service, 2-6 pm. Her funeral will be held tomorrow at 1:00 pm. Please keep all the families of Mrs. Jones in your prayers during their time of sorrow.

FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WITH ON-GOING CONCERNS:

Bill Beck, Ron Johnson, Jerry Johnston, Dennis Keener, Don & Debbie Archer, Debbie Bair, Wayne Bryan, Vic & Della Stalcup, Harriet Hobbs, Jean & Jerry Weir, Jean Kendall, Tiena Smith, Luther Hodges, Marie Davis, Jeanie Brock, Bob Stalnaker, Flo Smith, Cona Mae Winkle, Lura Richardson

OUR HOMEBOUND:

Thelma Smith, Phyllis Fraser, Nina McIntyre, Norma Musick, Becky Adkins, Edna Bookout, Mandy Ray, Jean Kendall, Rosemary Beals

OUR NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:**Manor Care:** Jewell Braden**Fall Creek Retirement Village:** Mattye Gum**Meadowbrook Rehab Center:** Laura Oliver**Rawlins House:** Betty Wunder, Garnet McKinney**Miller's Merry Manor, Chesterfield:** Mary Janes**Community Northview:** Margie Tompkins, Robbie Dickerson**Miller's Merry Manor, Middletown:** Gladys Boles, Bob & Betty Hathcoat**MISSION WORKERS:**

Jody Apple (TN)

Ned Isonguyo (Nigeria)

Vito & Antonietta Ligorio (Italy)

TIDBITS

February was designated to restock our pantry with non-perishables food items. We are excited to see the wall torn down so quickly! Our goal was to have to pantry stocked by Feb. 27 and you all exceeded that deadline!

Thank you!