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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

When God Says Thank You

Jesus always notices people who throw everything they've got into the Lord's work! Sitting near the treasury at the temple, Jesus drew his disciples' attention to a poor widow. She was, I'm sure, unaware that Jesus was watching. She didn't have to be watched as she gave God everything she had. Her two small copper coins would have bought her a morsel of bread or five sparrows to eat (Luke 12:6-7), but she decided to go hungry and give her money to God instead. Two small coins weren't much. They weren't noticed, they weren't appreciated by other people until Jesus came along and saw what she did and made sure the twelve apostles saw it. He made sure that Mark and Luke recorded it and that the whole world read about it! Solomon's temple would stand without the help of the widows coins, but Jesus knew that that sort of giving was the stuff of which the kingdom was made.

Jesus always notices the small offerings. Even if the widow herself didn't think her offering was worth the notice, Jesus disagreed and affirmed her in her service. If you have cast all you possibly can of your money, time and service, God understands. He affirms you in it. He says thank you.

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Many of you cast a lot of your time and service into our Vacation Bible School. Whether your deed was great or small, God affirms you in it. Whether you taught class, was on the kitchen staff, cooked, baked, offered someone a ride, helped decorate or clean or simply invited someone to come; God understands. Our VBS couldn't have been successful without everyone working together for the good of His kingdom. The Elders, Ryan and I thank you. AND GOD THANKS YOU.

Until next time. . .

Gary



Welcome

Welcome one and all. As we worship, let us consider the possibility of growing closer to Christ and to one another. Christ made the following promise: “Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister...” (Mark 3:35). Obedience to God, therefore, makes us the family of God. Let us try to fulfill the promise.

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.

There is an attended nursery for ages 2 and under available each Sunday morning. April Mattox will be available to care for your children this morning.

Bible Hour, a worship service designed for children ages 3-4th grade and taught on their level, is also available. 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
“Praise Be To God”

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

Greeting the Assembly: Ryan Cox

Song Service led by: Jim Morris

89-*Be Exalted, O God*

221-*Jesus, Name Above All Names*

222-*There’s Something About That Name*

Prayer: Barry King

238-*You Are the Song That I Sing*

Contribution

349-*Ten Thousand Angels*

The Lord’s Supper

1st Prayer– Bob Moorman

2nd Prayer—Ray Smith

1014-*Jesus Loves Me*
(Children dismissed to classes)

290-*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 8:1-11
Jim Harrison

Congregation: Psalms 118:24
*“This is the day that the Lord has made;
I will rejoice and be glad in it!”*

Lesson: Gary Meeker

916-*What A Day That Will Be*

Announcements: Barry King

1025 (vs. 1-4)– God of Our Fathers

Prayer: Mike Wade

Sunday Morning Sermon:

Wisdom's Plea To Be Heard

Text: Proverbs 8:1-11

1) Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice? 2) On the heights along the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand; 3) beside the gates leading into the city, at the entrances, she cries aloud: 4) "To you, O men, I call out; I raise my voice to all mankind. 5) You who are simple, gain prudence; you who are foolish, gain understanding. 6) Listen, for I have worthy things to say; I open my lips to speak what is right. 7) My mouth speaks what is true, for my lips detest wickedness. 8) All the words of my mouth are just; none of them is crooked or perverse. 9) To the discerning all of them are right; they are faultless to those who have knowledge. 10) Choose my instruction instead of silver, knowledge rather than choice gold, 11) for wisdom is more precious than rubies, and nothing you desire can compare with her.

I. The Plea Of Wisdom

- A. She desires to be heard

- B. She desires to be heard by all

- C. She desires to impart great things

II. The Value Of Wisdom

- A. Seen in what she possesses

- B. Seen in what she gives

III. The Possession Of Wisdom

- A. By the lord before creation

- B. By the Lord in His acts of creation

IV. The Blessedness Of Wisdom

- A. For those willing to keep her ways

- B. For those willing to listen intently

Sunday Evening Sermon:

Apparel Of Christ

Text: Colossians 3:12-17

12) Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. 13) Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. 14) And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. 15) Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. 16) Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. 17) And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

I. The Context

A. Christians have been raised with Christ

B. Christians are to seek things above

C. Christians are to put off the old man

II. The Meaning

A. The necessary apparel

B. The necessary accessories

III. The Application

A. Adornment begins with being raised with Christ

B. Adornment requires a new mindset

C. Adornment requires a concentrated effort



We are praying for:

Bob & Fran Fraser's daughter-in-law, **Tammy Fraser**, passed away recently. Our prayers are with this family during their time of sorrow.

Mike Wade will be had surgery on his left thumb last Thursday.

Ron Johnson had stints installed to relieve two 95% blockages in his heart last Thursday.

Charlie Callendar is now at Manor Care, room 125 B.

Elisabeth Case will be having tests done on her bladder and kidneys in a couple weeks.

FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WITH ON-GOING HEALTH CONCERNS: Bill Beck, Ron Johnson, Jerry Johnston, Dennis Keener, Don & Debbie Archer, Debbie Bair, Wayne & Wilda Bryan, Della Stalcup, Harriet Hobbs, Jean & Jerry Weir, Jean Kendall, Luther Hodges, Lois Montgomery, Mattye Gum

OUR HOMEBOUND: Mattye Gum, Laura Oliver, Laverne Toombs, Thelma Smith, Phyllis Fraser, Nina McIntyre, Garnet McKinney, Becky Adkins, Edna Bookout

OUR NURSING HOME/ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENTS:

Community Northview: Margie Tompkins, Robbie Dickerson

Manor Care: Selbert & Jewell Braden, Charlie Callendar

Community Parkview, Elwood: Albert Burton

Meadowbrook Rehab Center: LaTheda Hathcoat

Miller's Merry Manor, Middletown: Gladys Boles, Bob & Betty Hathcoat

Miller's Merry Manor, Chesterfield: Mary Janes, Gladys Sanders, Wendell Parson, Bessie Coppock

Rawlins House, Pendleton: Betty Wunder

Summitville Convalescent Center: Lola Conner

Bethany Point Health Campus: Jean Kendall

Teacher Needed

We need a teacher for the 7-9th grade class on Wednesday nights.

If you can help, please see Richard Shelton.



Some horses are missing from the display used for VBS in the 1-2 yr. old class. If your child mistakenly took one home with them, please return it to John & Chris Hollingsworth.

An Important Message for SENIOR CITIZENS and DISABLED PERSONS from The City of Anderson regarding SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FEES

If you are age 65 or over or are permanently disabled, you are eligible for a \$3/month discount on the Solid Waste Removal Fee. To receive this discount, you must fill out a brief form and provide proof of eligibility by Friday, July 31. Forms and information is available on the table in the Family Room.

Bibles for China



The Elders are still collecting money for the Royal Oak Church of Christ in Michigan to purchase Bibles to send to China. The deadline to make a monetary donation is August 30th.



Don't forget to bring in clean, empty medicine & vitamin bottles.

Our July Food Campaign is going well! We have collected 50% of the pantry items. Please remember to check the auditorium windows for what is still needed.



DATES TO REMEMBER...

- Today** Blood Drive, 1:00-5:30 pm
- Aug. 2** Ladies Day @ South Central
- Aug. 2-5** Gospel Revival @ South Central
- Aug. 2** Nursing Home Devo
- Aug. 3** Visitation Meeting, 7pm
- Aug. 8** Youth Kings Island Trip
- Aug. 13** Ladies Devo, 7pm
- Aug. 14-16** Gospel Meeting @ S. Broadway, Huntington
- Aug. 15** Mattox Baby Shower, 1:00 pm
- Aug. 15** Mercer/Porter Wedding, 6:30 pm.
- Aug. 16** Birthday/Anniversary Pitch-in
- Aug. 18** Ladies Lunch
- Aug. 29** Grades 3-6 Monthly Get Together
- Aug. 29** Grades 7-12 Monthly Get Together
- Aug. 30** Secret Sister Party

TODAY IS BLOOD DRIVE DAY!

If the person(s) sitting beside you needed blood, would you give it to them? If you answered 'Yes', did you volunteer to donate blood today? It is not too late! Please sign up on the Things To Do Board, and remember to bring your picture I.D.



Visitation Meeting

Those involved in the Visitation Program will meet next Monday, August 3 at 7:00 pm.



Happy Birthday to:

- Jean Kinser.....July 29
- Virginia Stover...80th!.....July 30
- Grace Woodcox.....July 31
- Augusta Hollingsworth.....Aug. 1



Happy Anniversary to:

- Jay & Shirley Allison.....July 29

Ladies Day



The South Central Church of Christ, Muncie, is hosting a Ladies Day on Saturday, August 1, 9:30-12:00 pm with breakfast being served at 8:45 am. Topic of discussion is *Christian Women and the Many Hats We Wear*. Women wishing to attend are asked to RSVP on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.

Gospel Revival



Then on Sunday, August 2 thru Wednesday, August 5, the South Central Church of Christ is having a Gospel Meeting with the topic: *Overcoming Challenges as Christians*.

More information regarding these events is posted on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.

Nursing Home Devotional

Next Sunday at 3:00 pm
Community Northview



Ladies Devotional

The next Ladies Devo will be Thursday, August 13, at 7pm at Mattye Gum's. We need someone to lead our discussion. If you can help, please sign up on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.



Gospel Meeting

Jim Harrison and Luke Jackson will be speaking at the Gospel Meeting hosted by the S. Broadway Church of Christ in Huntington, August 14-16. Everyone is invited to attend. Topics and times are posted on the Devo's and Such bulletin board.



Baby Shower

For: April Mattox
When: Saturday, August 15,
1:00 pm
Where: Church Building
Registered: at Babies 'R Us



IT'S A BOY!

See Judy Lippman for gift ideas.

Birthday/Anniversary Pitch-in

Sunday, August 16, immediately after our evening assembly. Theme: Finger Foods



Ladies Lunch



Tuesday, Aug. 18, at 11:30 am at Ponderosa. Please sign up to attend.

Secret Sister Party

It is almost time to reveal your secret identity! Those in the Secret Sister Program will meet on Sunday, August 30 at 4:00 pm. Please bring a final gift for your secret sister. If you are not currently involved and want to be, bring a small anonymous gift. If you would like to bring an afternoon snack in to share, you are welcome to. We will be drawing times for the next term. If you have questions, see Lorna.



Mr. and Mrs. Scott William Mercer request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Ms. Brittany Susanne Mercer to Mr. Douglas Thomas Porter son of Mr. and Mrs. Barth Ford Porter on Saturday, August 15 at 6:30 pm Paramount Theatre Centre and Ballroom 1124 Meridian St., Anderson (Reception to follow)



The couple is registered at JCPenney, Kohl's and Target.

Youth News

ALL YOUTH!: Sign up on the Youth Bulletin Board to go to King's Island on Saturday, August 8th with the youth groups from Towne Acres and West Side (Muncie)! Sign up deadline is Wednesday, July 29th and your name **MUST** be on the list to go! Those in 6th grade and younger will need a parent chaperone. See Ryan for more information.

GRADES 3-6 will meet at the Allison's (5066 Perry Ave., Anderson) for snacks and games on Saturday, August 29, from 2 to 4 pm. *(If rain is predicted we will meet at the church building).*

GRADES 7-12 will meet at the Shelton's (2537 S. 300 E., Anderson) on Saturday, August 29, from 7-9 pm for a bonfire. Ryan will have some other things planned too!



SIGN UP ON THE YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD TO ATTEND THESE EVENTS.

TODAY'S SERVANTS

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Philip Johnson
MIDDLE: Gary Johnson
NORTH: Darla Johnson

ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READER: Dan Smith

NURSERY ATTENDANT: April Mattox

EVENING WORSHIP LEADERS

SONG LEADER: Jim Harrison

OPENING PRAYER: Ed Boles

LESSON: Gary Meeker

CLOSING PRAYER: Richard Shelton

SERVING NEXT LORD'S DAY-- AUGUST 2, 2009

DOOR GREETERS:

SOUTH: Ufanell Jones
MIDDLE: Donovan Archer
NORTH: Lois Gaw

GREETING THE ASSEMBLY:

SONG LEADERS:

A.M. Jim Harrison **P.M.** Kevin Wash

THE LORD'S TABLE:

1ST PRAYER: Robert Allison, Sr.
2ND PRAYER: Nick Allison

SCRIPTURE READING:

PRIMARY: Ryan Cox
ALTERNATE: Gary Johnson

LEADING IN PRAYER:

A.M. OPENING:
A.M. CLOSING:
P.M. OPENING:
P.M. CLOSING:

NURSERY ATTENDANT: Katie Wade

WEDNESDAY EVENING-- JULY 29, 2009

SONG LEADER: Jay Allison

DEVOTIONAL: Norman Alexander

CLOSING PRAYER: Dan Smith

Goals & Achievements

Attendance

| | <u>Last Week</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Sunday Bible Class | 83 |
| Sunday A.M. Worship | 207 |
| Sunday P.M. Worship | 111 |
| Monday Evening VBS | 176 |
| Tuesday Evening VBS | 171 |
| Wednesday Evening VBS | 197 |
| Thursday Evening VBS | 193 |

Gifts & Offerings

| <u>Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Difference</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| \$3,716.78 | \$4,789.31 | (+\$1,072.53) |

JULY ASSIGNMENTS

ASSISTING ON THE LORD'S TABLE:

Ron Johnson Matt Johnson Charles Buckner
Austin Hawkins Donovan Archer Philip Johnson

BAPTISMAL CLOTHING: Gladys Hunt

COMMUNION: Lorna Gooding

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Barry King

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR TEACHER

Ages 3-5: Heather Wolf & Grace Woodcox
Grades K-4: Richard Shelton

SHEPHERDS OF THE FLOCK

Norman Alexander 378-6420
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

BENEVOLENCE, Dale Wiles 644-5387
EDUCATION/YOUTH, Richard Shelton 378-3945
FACILITIES, Ray Smith 649-7279
FELLOWSHIP, Gary Johnson 378-7179
FINANCES/BUDGET, Dan Smith 642-4819
HEAT/AIR SYSTEMS, Jim Hodges 649-5143
INVOLVEMENT, Jim Harrison 642-8668
MISSIONS, Jay Allison 649-5607
SAFETY SYSTEMS, Charles Buckner 642-6991
SUPPORT/SPECIAL SERVICES, Mark Gooding 724-9428
WORSHIP, Jim Morris 534-4448