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# West Side Window

January 10, 2021

***We are thankful for your presence today and are happy that we can provide a safe place for worship of our Lord. We ask that you please adhere to the guidelines of our governor who advises that we wear masks and distance ourselves from close contact with each other while at services. Communion packets and baskets for the contribution are at the double doors. Thank you for protecting yourself and each other while we are together.***

## ***Good News Abounds***

### ***Get Ready***

Men's class beginning Jan. 12th @ 6p on  
The Life of Christ

Women's study group via video, January 15th @ 6p on  
Psalms 119

***If we are ignorant, the Scriptures will  
instruct us;***

***If out of the way, they will bring us home;***

***If out of order, they will reform us;***

***If in heaviness, they will comfort us;***

***If dull, quicken us;***

***If cold, inflame us;***

***From the original 1611 preface to the KJV  
Via Jacksonville Church of Christ***

The steps of a man are established by  
the Lord; And He delights in his way.  
When he falls, he shall not be hurled  
headlong; Because the Lord is the One  
who holds his hand.  
Psalm 37:23-24

## The Things that Last

Without the Lord what would one's life be? The careful, spiritual and mature thinker realizes the following:

- ⇒ Our possessions are a trust; we are stewards to them on earth
- ⇒ Our possessions are tests: God is testing our character
- ⇒ Our possessions are for time: we will not take them beyond the grave
- ⇒ Our true possessions are timeless and eternal. Contrary to secular projects of men to accumulate, to gain, to store up to get, to keep, Jesus challenges us to give it all away (Matt. 6:19-21)

*Love that is hoarded molds at last,  
Until we know some day,  
The only thing we ever have,  
Is what we give away.  
Louis Ginsburg*

“...freely ye received, freely give  
(Matt. 10:8)



**“For I am the Lord. I change not. “**

**Malachi 3:6**

## Services

Sunday Morning Class

9:30a

Worship: 10: 30a

(Also live-streamed)

**No Sunday Evening Service**

Wednesday Bible Study

7p

## Preacher

Michael Gors

## Elders

Michael Gors

Gary Reynolds

Todd Stults

## Deacons

Don Allison  
Fellowship

Jim Clark  
Visitation

Lowell Huffman  
Media

## Those Whom

## We Support

MSOP

Cannon Taylor

INDIA

Bible Correspondence  
Course/ Bibles

## *Leaders in Worship*

*January 10, 2021*

### *Morning Worship*

Announcements: Lowell Huffman

Song Leader: Don Allison

Opening Prayer: Bill Smith

Scripture: Steve Gors

Lord's Table: Rex Harper

Sermon: Mike Gors

Closing Prayer: Volker Jaromin

Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

*Wednesday Evening Bible Study will be live-streamed this week*

## **Remember Calls and Cards to Our Shut-ins**

**Anna Funk**--Westminster Village

**Joyce Popplewell** --Heritage in Yorktown

**Carl Gilstrap**--Albany Health Care

**Pam Smith**--Waters of Yorktown Nursing Home

*"God gives every bird a worm but He doesn't throw it in the nest."*

**Swedish Proverb**



*Happy New Year to All*

A new year is about to unfold, with new opportunities to explore. Doors will open for new experiences, new adventures with the Lord. Remember not the former things, the things of this past year. The lord will do new things in us, much more than we are aware. For He will make a way for us, As we put our trust in Him. And He will guide our every step, by His presence we have within. What God has placed within our hearts, we find we'll be able to do. If we look for the opportunities, we'll see the door to go through. We must not let anything hold us back, but rise up and take our place. And be all that God wants us to be, with a fresh touch of His grace. Selected

## In Sympathy

We are greatly saddened by the sudden death of Adam Huffman, son of Lowell and Charlene Huffman on December 27. Adam was 56 years old and the husband of Michelle, father of Alex and Zachary and stepfather of three. He was a graduate of Southside and had worked at Muncie Meats and also for the Fraternal Order of Police. In the last few months, Adam fought a valiant fight against kidney disease with an extended regimen of chemo and debilitating effects. He also leaves behind his twin, Holly, his brother Shawn, three step grandchildren and several nieces. We, at West Side, are very familiar and fond of his boys, Zach and Alex, who have grown up in this congregation. We join together in grieving for the Huffman family and extend our love and heartfelt sympathy. Adam's funeral was held last Monday.

## Snippets

--Note from Suie: "Hi everybody. God bless you all. God is good. I am ok now and staying at home."

--Phone Call from Betty Kellow, "I miss you folks and miss being at worship. Am doing ok and getting around the house pretty good. Feeling much better with a change of medication."

--News of Carl and Martha, Martha has continued to worship at Towne Acres since it is close to her residence. Carl remains at Albany Health Care. She visits with him through his room window and has lately begun calling him on her cell phone daily and finds they have a pretty visit this way.

"Temper displayed in public is indecent exposure."

Gavin Burch--Jan. 3

Rick Cox--Jan 11

Debbie Perry--Jan 11

Charlene Huffman--Jan 14

Andy Daunhauer--Jan 16

Dennis Griffey--Jan 16

Joe Odle--Jan 27

Pat Lee--Jan 30

Jack Qualkenbush--Jan 31, age 16



## Please Pray for

**Angie Reed**, MS

**Alex Odle**, Cancer

**Bill Smith**, Post surgery

**Chris & Diana Schombert**, Richard's daughter and her husband, COVID-19. Doing fairly well.

**Dan Proctor**, Lela's son in NY. Recovering in rehab from two brain surgeries.

**Lowell Huffman family**

**John Schock**, Post knee Surgery with onset of trouble

**Jimmy Clarke**, COVID-19

**Kathy Harper**, Respiratory issues

**Kim Ham**, Cancer, Dana Kellow's sister

**Linda Horning**, Cancer

**Margaret Goodman**

**Mitch Kinder**, Cancer. Sally's neighbor

**Nick Hummel**, Cancer. Chemo ongoing

**Rick Cox**, Blood clots in legs. Now at home and doing better

**Shirley Allison**, Sister-in-law to Don, Recovering from COVID-19, now in rehab

**Tom Cloninger, Sr.** Post brain surgery. Now in rehab

**Sylvia Carrol**

**Wanda Reed**, Recovering from chemo and radiation

**BEGIN THE DAY RIGHT. Do not have your concert first and then tune your instruments afterward. BEGIN THE DAY WITH GOD. J. Hudson Taylor**

"Even if you are on the right track you will get run over if you just sit there." Will Rogers

## What I Owe My Congregation

**Unto the Church of the Lord in every locality, I am under solemn obligation to the extent of my ability but unto my home congregation, I am under special obligation.**

--*I want my home congregation to radiate a wholesome influence in the community.* Therefore, I owe it the example of a good life. For it, I must live "soberly, righteously and godly" (Matt ( 5:13,16).

--*I want the strangers who enter the door of the meeting house to feel at home, to learn to love us, to return from time to time.* They are our guests. I owe it to them and to the church to show myself friendly. I must not stand back and wait for others to greet them; this, I must do (Hebrews 13:2).

--*No congregation can make progress without faithful and efficient leaders.* To a certain extent, the members of the church make or break their leaders. To the end that our leaders may be stronger and more efficient, I must give them my support. I must pray for them. As long as they are true men, I must not embarrass them in the work (1 Tim. 5:19).

--*My home congregation has financial obligations which are due at regular intervals.* Whether I give or do not give, these obligations must be paid. If it is right for my congregation to pay its obligations each week, it is right for me to give each week. Though circumstances may force me to be absent at times, my contributions should find their way to the treasury of the church (1 Cor. 16:1, 2).

--*I know that the very existence of my congregation depends upon the attendance of its members.* In fact, the attendance is the life of the church (Heb. 10:25). For this reason, I must attend the services, all I can.

--*I want my home congregation to grow, to multiply in members.* Therefore, I must set to the noble work of winning souls for Christ (Luke 19:10). This, I can do by preaching and persuading; this I can do by persistent effort; this I can do by bringing them to our meetings.

--*My home congregation cannot thrive in a frigid atmosphere.* I must not, by my carelessness, allow the church to become a place where hearts are chilled. I must make it a place where hearts are warmed. Therefore, I owe it to my heart, the warmth of my life, I must forgive and forget (Matt. 6:15-15).

Wishing to be honest, I must meet my obligations to the best of my ability. I must, with the help that God gives, play my part in the incomparable work of building up the body of Christ.

Frank Cox

## Spank a General?

There is the story told of a ten year old boy who lived in Abilene TX at the turn of the century. On one occasion, his older brothers were being allowed to go out but he was not permitted to go. "You are too young," his father told him. At this, the boy burst into tears, ran into the yard and began punching the trunk of an apple tree.

Moments later, his Father had him by the scruff of the neck and the youngster got his hide tanned. Afterward, he was sent to bed. As he sobbed to himself, his mother came in to offer this advice from the Bible: "He that ruleth his spirit is better than he that taketh a city (Proverbs 16:32). These words stuck with the boy. Sixty six years later, General and President Dwight D Eisenhower wrote of that childhood talk with his mother. "I have always looked back on that conversation as one of the most valuable moments of my life."

From Little Devotional Book for Couples (in part)