

## Snippets,

--FYI: We have received the summer schedule for the Spring Mill Bible Camp in Mitchell IN. Please see bulletin board for a complete listing of all summer sessions. There are also application forms for your use.

--The newest newsletter from Mark Reynolds is posted on the Missions Board. Mark left last Monday for a trip to India.

--West Side blood donors numbered 11 when the blood bank was here last Saturday. Thanks for all the work that Kathy Owens puts into the blood bank donations program. For your information, there is a notice posted on board # 2 for the times the blood bank will be at the West Side site for the rest of the year. Your blood may save a life.

--Please be mindful of Emily and Adam who are planning a mission trip to Mexico and Bethany and Thomas Williams who plan to work in Honduras, both trips planned for the summer. They are appreciative for prayer and support in financing these ventures.

## Saved by Grace

Suppose a benefactor calls you and says, "I have paid for a new suit for you. But to receive it, you have to go down to the clothing store and pick out the one you want and get the trousers cuffed or hemmed." You would probably respond by saying, "That is so gracious of you. I'll go right now and do that."

Gracious is from the root word, "grace". Basically, grace means unmerited or unearned favor, as in a gift. Without having done anything otherwise in the foregoing situation, we would say the suit was a gift of grace.

Jesus, our benefactor, has called and said, "I have paid for your salvation. All you have to do is believe that I am the Son of God (1 John 8:24), repent of your sins (Luke 13:3) and upon a confession of your faith in me as God's Son (Romans 10:10), be baptized for the remission of your sins (Acts 2:38) and salvation is yours (1 Peter 3:21)."

Question: Would doing this to be saved, be any more earning salvation than we would be earning the suit of clothing simply by going to the store and having the trousers altered? Of course not; one, we do this at the authority of our earthly friend and benefactor, the other we do at the authority of our heavenly Father and Benefactor. Yet, neither the suit nor salvation can be received unless we are willing to follow the instruction given to obtain them. Such action does not destroy grace in either instance.

James Wyers

**"It's the little things that fret and worry us; you can dodge an elephant but not a fly."**

## How to Get What You Want

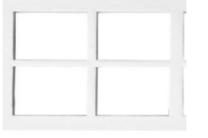
*If you want friends--be friendly. If you want someone to smile--smile. If you want courtesy--be courteous. If you want knowledge--study. If you want a good name--live right. If you want to reap well--sow well. If you want to be a Christian--obey God's word. If you want to go to heaven, live a Christian life.*

*Selected*



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# West Side Window



April 15, 2018

## SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study

9:30 am

Worship : 10:30 am  
& 6:00 pm

Wed. Bible Study:

7:00 pm

## MINISTER

Michael Gors

## ELDERS

Michael Gors  
Gary Reynolds  
Todd Stults

## DEACONS

Don Allison  
Fellowship

Jim Clark-  
Visitation

Lowell Huffman-  
Media

Volker Jaromin-  
Communication  
and Advertise-  
ment

## MISSION WORKS

India  
Mark Reynolds

SEIBS  
Will Brown

MSOP  
Drew Reese

Be on the alert, stand firm  
in the faith, act like men,  
be strong." 1 Cor. 16:13

## Be Transformed

How was the early church perceived in the eyes of the people among whom it lived and of whom it sought to teach and to make disciples for Christ? When Paul finally went to Rome, he went as a prisoner (Acts 28). He called the Jewish leaders together to tell them of his conversion and hope in the church. They said, "...for as concerning this sect, we know that everywhere it is spoken against (Acts 28:22). At first the new church "had favor with all the people" (Acts 2:47). However, we learn two things from the book of Acts about this church that Christ built and purchased with His own blood upon the cross:

*It was falsely labeled and accused and  
it was strongly opposed.*

*Acts 5:18; 7:50; 8:4; 12:2; 14:1-6; 16:19-21; 17:1-5; 16-19*

How is the church perceived today in the eyes of the people among whom we live and of whom we seek to teach and to make disciples for Christ? Things have not changed. When the world learns who we are and what we believe and teach, we are sometimes called a 'sect' and we are spoken against.

This ought not to cause us to be discouraged. Jesus said, "We are blessed when men revile and persecute us and say all manner of evil against us, falsely for His sake. We are to rejoice and be exceedingly glad; our reward will be great in heaven. This is how they persecuted the prophets before us. (Matthew 5:10-12).

Sadly, some members of the church today are seeking to change the world's perception of us by change and compromise. They reason: "If we change and become more like the world, the more the world will like us." This, of course, is destructive. They are forgetting the words of Jesus: "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own; but because ye are not of the world but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore, the world hateth you" (John 15:18-19).

Dear friends, let us not be transformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of our minds that we may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God (Romans 12:1-2).

Dennis De Haan

# Leaders in Worship Today

April 15, 2018

## MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: Todd Stults  
 Song Leader: Gary Reynolds  
 1st Prayer: Lowell Huffman  
 Scripture Reading: Case Reynolds  
*1 Timothy 6:11-18*

Sermon: Mike Gors  
 "This is My Father's World"  
 Closing Prayer: Danny Odle  
 Sound Room: Adam Gors

## COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side--Outside: Jimmy Clark  
 Inside: Jim Clark  
 East Side-- Inside: Rex Harper  
 Outside: Cliff Nicks

## EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements: Todd Stults  
 Song Leader: Gary Reynolds  
 Opening Prayer: Jerry Hoyt  
 Scripture Reading: Lowell Huffman  
*Acts 8:1-4*

Sermon: Mike Gors  
 "The Gospel on the Move"  
 Communion Table: Jim Clark  
 Closing Prayer: Cliff Nicks  
 Sound Room: Adam Gors

## *Group One Duties for the Month of April*

*Greeters: Annex: Norma P & Norma H  
 Carport: Richard & Janet  
 Front: Kendall & Jane  
 Lock-Up and Trash to Curb: Gors Family  
 Communion Clean-up: Ann Witty  
 Communion Prep for April:  
 Emily*

# Remember in Prayer

Mark Reynolds as he travels  
 in India this month

Alex Odle, Diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma  
 Cards are appreciated.

Lance Corporal Alex Odle  
 P.O. Box 9254  
 1283 Geiger Blvd.

Beaufort, South Carolina 29904-9998

Angie Quire, Friend of Sally Anderson. Massive stroke.

Anna Funk

Angie Reed, MS, Daughter-in-law of Joe and Wanda

Becky Hummel, Recovering from pneumonia

Carl Soddors, Critically injured by a bull. Family member of Ann's customer.

Chad Dunscombe, Son-in-law to Pat Ergle and husband to Pamela, has been diagnosed with kidney disease.

Connie Reynolds, This last week marked the end of Connie's radiation treatments with the last one being a "radiation boost". She is feeling better this week.

Jennifer Duke Odle, Cancer

Kathy Harper

Kendall Clark, Ear surgery

Lee Huffman, Lowell's brother. Diagnosed with a foot disease which is causing much pain in walking

Lela Proctor, Radiation treatments are ongoing

Lowell Huffman, Having eye surgery April 10, 2018

Melissa Gaw, Second surgery planned for May

Molly Hemmings, Thyroid Cancer

Pat Lee, Back from FL, suffering vertigo at present time

Richard Messer, Spinal surgeries are pending, now in PT

Shaun Ergle, Skin Cancer. Pat's son and Kista's brother

Steve Gors, Recovering from hernia surgery

Susie Long, Dear teacher at West Side now living in Chattanooga, TN. Debilitating arthritis in her back. Would appreciate cards

Susie Long  
 6733 Willow Trace Drive  
 Chattanooga, TN 37421

Weekly Contribution Goal: \$2440

Contribution for

April 8, 2018

\$1859

## Attendance for Week of April 8th

Sunday Bible Study	39
Sunday AM Worship	81
Sunday PM Worship	41

## Remember Our Shut-ins

Lana Blanchard--Albany Health Care

Marylou Witty--At home

Joyce Popplewell--Heritage in  
 Yorktown



Kendall Clark--April 1  
 Lola Harrell--April 2  
 Sui Holloman--April 6  
 Seth Gors--April 9, 2008  
 Jacob Harper--April 10  
 Becky Hummel--April 10  
 Pat Ergle--April 14  
 Kara Latta--April 15  
 Jessica Gors--April 17  
 Sue Davis--April 20  
 Teresa Allison--April 21  
 Bill Smith--April 24  
 Bret Allison--April 29

# What is Happening Today?

2p. Area wide singing at  
 Southside Church of Christ in Portland  
 See flyer

# And Looking Ahead...

- April 17, Ladies Breakfast
- April 20-21, Lock-in at Camp Indogan with Director, Wayne Poe, Ages 8-18. Flyer is posted.
- April 21, Movie showing at the building @ 7p, "Coco"
- April 28, Spring Benefit Dinner at Camp Indogan with speaker, Scott Reece.
- April 29-May 2, Spring Gospel Meeting at Eagle Valley Church of Christ in Indianapolis, "Understanding Grace." with speaker, Emmett Clark
- May 5, 25th annual lectureship at Church of Christ at Columbia City. Several speakers scheduled to speak on "Helping Others." See flyer on board # 1. Larry and Connie invite us all.
- May 18-19, Men's Retreat at Ft. Hill Camp in OH. Flyer posted.
- June 17-24, Youth Camp at Ft. Hill Youth Camp in OH. Focused on L2L achievements. See flyer.
- June 24-30, All Ages Week 1 at Camp Indogan. (ages 8-18)
- July 15-18, Vacation Bible School at Church of Christ, 1130 Fishinger Road in Columbus, OH. Flyer posted.

"Never give in. Never give in. Never, never, never...In nothing, great or small, large or petty, never give in except to conviction or honor and good sense! Winston Churchill

What is "commendable" before God?

Read 1 Peter 2:17

**Wed. Bible Study**

**April 18th**

**Song Leader: Adam Gors**

**Prayer: Cliff Nicks**

