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West Side Window

May 24, 2020

Good News Abounds

Note from the Elders:

We will continue our abbreviated schedule through May and will meet here at the building again on May 24th to worship the Lord in assembly.

For those who are staying close to home for the time being, we are grateful we can be one in spirit via the Sunday worship and Wednesday Bible Study

Other Live-Streaming:

Jonah Stults via Facebook

Tim Taylor from Towne Acres

Mark Reynolds from u-Tube

A.J. Cox via Zoom via Facebook

Ryan Cox from Facebook

Let us draw together in worship and study as we access these opportunities to hear the Word.

“Let all who seek Thee rejoice and be glad in Thee; let those who love Thy salvation say continually, ‘The Lord be magnified’ Since I am afflicted and needy, let the Lord be mindful of me.”

Psalm 40: 16-17

We Will Continue to Observe the Following Guidelines for West Side Assembly

- ◆ No Sunday class, No Sunday Evening Worship or Wednesday Bible Study. On Wednesday evenings, you may hear Mike’s lesson on Facebook, @ 7p
- ◆ Sunday morning worship will be live-streamed in its entirety
- ◆ Please, wear a facial mask to the building
- ◆ Please, refrain from shaking hands or hugging.
- ◆ There is a table at the front and annex doors that are set with communion packs and a basket for your contribution, should you want to leave it there. There will be no communion passed around. Sit with your family, if you wish, but please sit 6 feet apart from others in the auditorium.

About Wanda,

Wanda had complications to her feet and toenails from the extended chemo treatments. Radiation was delayed until this past Monday when she began a regimen of radiation daily for four weeks. Her feet are blistered and peeling but are better now and the good news is that the radiation will not cause any more of these particular side-effects but will cause weakness and a bad sunburn-like effect of her skin. Sad news for her and Joe; their beloved, Max the Chihuahua, died at age 16. Joe and she continues to work her puzzles, (self-segregated tables) and have done American Indian, owls, and locomotives. Wanda’s doctor has told her it may take 4 -7 months before her immune system will be back to normal.

We miss you, Wanda and Joe, and hold you in our hearts with love and prayerful hope for a good recovery. Stay strong. Stay ornery.

Services

Sunday Bible Study

9:30am

Worship: 10:30 am
& 6:00pm

Wed. 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

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Bible Correspondence
Course/ Bibles

Leaders in Worship

May 24, 2020

Morning Worship

Announcements: Gary Reynolds

Song Leader: Lowell Huffman

Opening Prayer: Bill Winemiller

Scripture: Jacob Clark, Matthew 26: 26-28

Sermon: Mike Gors, "Remember Me"

Lord's Table: Todd Stults

Closing Prayer: Jay Kellow

Sound Room: Jimmy Clark

In Love and Sympathy

--Sister Shirley Durnal passed away on May 19th while living with her daughter, Susan, in the Mooresville area. Shirley had a stroke last year and another one last December and a third one a few weeks ago. She was the mother of three daughters, grandmother to seven grand children and had two great grandchildren. Shirley worked for the children's Department of the Muncie Public Library. Final service was held last Friday in Muncie. We will remember Sister Shirley for her quiet and faithful presence and for her love of the scripture, reading and notetaking.

--Linda Bayer, Grandmother to Bryce and Mother-in-law to Mary Ann Bayer passed away on May 10th. Mrs. Bayer was a breast cancer survivor. She was a native of Maysville, KY but grew up in Muncie and graduated from Southside High School. She made her living at Ross Supermarket and later at Walmart for over 40 years. She was mother to three children and four grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Our love and sympathy to Mike and Mary Ann, Bryce and Nathan on their loss. We hope that their mother and grandmother's faithful commitment and devotion to them will be a lasting balm of healing. Cremation was held with a memorial service planned later in the year.

"Set about doing good to somebody. Put on your hat and go visit the sick; inquire into their circumstances and minister to their wants. Seek out the desolate and afflicted and oppressed. I have tried this method and found it the best medicine for a heavy heart. "

Howard

Don't Forget Cards and Calls to:

Joyce Popplewell
Heritage Care, Yorktown

Anna Funk,
Westminster Village

Linda Horning,
Westminster Village

Carl Gilstrap,
Albany Health Care, Room 308

"Hope is like a road in the country; there never was a road but when many people walk on it, the road comes into existence."

"Chinese Saying

"Judge each day not by its harvest but by the seeds you plant."

Anon

How to Beat the Devil

The New York Times ran a story by Rick Bragg about the unusual events in Inglis, Florida. The town's mayor, Carolyn Risher, took the unprecedented step of issuing a mayoral proclamation banning Satan from the community's city limits. The restraining order declared: "Be it known from this day forward that Satan, ruler of darkness, giver of evil, destroyer of what is good and just, is not now, nor ever again will be, a part of this town of Inglis. Satan is hereby declared powerless, no longer ruling over, nor influencing, our citizens" (www.nytimes.com). The Times article went on to say that the proclamation was printed out and placed in four hollowed out posts staked at the town's four entrances. Wouldn't it be nice if it were that easy to banish Satan, or even strip him of his power? This spiritual enemy has plagued those who seek to follow God since his lies in the Garden of Eden. But John has good news for the readers of Revelation. Satan CAN BE defeated! John lays out the formula for us in Rev. 12:11: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." First, we must have been washed in the Lamb's blood (i.e. baptized; Acts 22:16). Next, we must obey His will (the New Testament teachings). And finally, we must "be faithful unto death" (Rev. 2:10)

--David Bragg (via Bulletin Gold)

Brittany Sheffield Sizemore, June 1

Alexis Harper--June 1

Felomina (Ming) Gilstrap--June 2

Taylor Ergle--June 2

Jimmy Clark--June 4

Natalie Hoyt--June 10

Susan Shirel--June 12

Joe Reed--June 16

Holly Chambers--June 16

Betty Kellow--June 16

Trevor Qualkenbush--June 17

Hailey Allison--June 22

Ryan J. Daunhauer--June 24, 2015



In Need of Prayer

Adam Huffman, At home with dialysis 3x weekly

Alex Odle, Cancer

Angie Reed, MS

Betty Kellow

Bill & Pam Smith

Bob Owens, Cancer. Kathy's cousin

Martha Gilstrap, Martha is making plans to move to her daughter's house in Economy, IN since Carl has been moved to Albany Health Care. She has a great deal to do to get ready for this move and is struggling to keep herself fit and able to get through. We send our love and prayers for her well being and adjustment to new surroundings.

Carl Lafferty, Diagnosis of ALS and leukemia

Cora Devine, Auto immune disorder.

Earl & Sue Lautzenheiser, Nursing home residents

Joe Odle

Kathy Channel, Cancer, Daughter of Lois Schlagel

Kathy Harper, Cellulitis, respiratory difficulties.

Kim Ham, Breast cancer. **Mary Smith,** Stroke

Mitch Kinder, Cancer. Sally's neighbor

Susie Long, Living in assisted living in TN

Wanda Reed, Cancer

Prayers for our Loved ones in US Military

Zach Privett, US Army in Middle East.

Devyn Riggs, US Marines, in Pensacola, FL

Alex Odle, US Marines, in NC

Larry Greene, National Guard in Middle East

Michelle Bess, Air Force, Deployed to Middle East

Life Choices

"I have come that they may have life, and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). A quote credited to Walt Disney states that our world contains three kinds of people: "well poisoners," "lawn mowers," and "life-enhancers." Well-poisoners are the negative types who put down others and seek to discourage them. Lawn mowers maintain the status quo but seldom get out of their comfort zones. Life-enhancers are "movers and shakers" who go out of the way to enhance the lives of others and make life worth living. Walt Disney certainly had great insight, for I encounter them on a regular basis. I know "negative Nellies" who keep their poison on stand-by while opposing any and every good thing. I'm acquainted with numerous lawn mowers who do everything "by the book" but are reluctant to rock the boat or take a chance. Personally, I prefer to populate my life with life enhancers who make a positive difference and bless everyone around them. As I think about the Christ-centered life, I realize that Lord Jesus calls His people to change and enhance the lives of others. In Matthew 20:26, Jesus states that the road to greatness comes with being a servant. We all need to take the time to mow our lawns, but let us not neglect the fact that Jesus calls us to be salt and light and to minister to the world around us. Those who ridicule and oppose will never go away, but those who serve others will be first in God's Kingdom. Are you make a difference for the cause of Christ?

--Kenny Westmorland (Celina, TN)

Surprise !

"Immediately the girl stood up and walked around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished" (Mark 5:42 NIV). The New Testament has about 15 different Greek words for "astonishment." Each has a common idea of surprise, but each has its own nuance. For example, the word in our text above is similar to our expression "I was beside myself with astonishment." I suppose each of us, if we had been there and witnessed Jesus raise this little dead child, would be beside ourselves! When was the last time you were pleasantly surprised by something totally unexpected? Was it a raise? A promotion? An award? The appearance of a loved one? I've seen video of a veteran coming home to surprise his family? I'm sure you've seen a few of these surprise homecomings too. I've even seen the family dog as surprised and ecstatic over the return of his master! These are very moving. Do you know what amazes me? It never ceases to amaze me that my Lord even cares, in the least, for me. Like you, I'm a sinner. I let him down. I fail to live up to what He expects of me. Kris Kristofferson's song, "Why Me, Lord" says it better than I can. "Why me, Lord? What have I ever done To deserve even one of the pleasures I've known? Tell me, Lord, what did I ever do That was worth lovin' you, or the kindness you've shown?" I never want to take such love for granted. Although we are not worthy, He sees us as worthy. As "The Man From La Mancha" sees the peasant girl, Dulcinea, as a princess, Jesus sees us, the church, as His bride! By treating us better than we deserve, we are empowered to become more like our Savior! We just might be surprised at the change that may overtake us if we loved like Jesus. And the beautiful part of this is that others may be changed by such love too. What a pleasant surprise! --Rob Redden (Arroyo Grande, CA)