

Leaders in Worship, January 2016

Morning Worship

Date	January 3	January 10	January 17	January 24	January 31
Announcements	Jerry Hoyt	Todd Stults	Bill Winemiller	Don Allison	Gary Reynolds
Song Leader	Don Allison	Jerry Holt	Lowell Huffman	Gary Reynolds	Cliff Nicks
Opening Prayer	Bill Smith	Richard Messer	Jim Clark	Volker Jaromin	Jerry Hoyt
Scripture Reading	Carl Gilstrap	Adam Gors	Joe Reed	Steve Gors	Adam Gors
Closing Prayer	Rick Cox	Cliff Nicks	Jay Kellow	Adam Gors	Kendall Clark
Sound Room	Lowell Huffman	Jimmy Clark	Jerry Hoyt	Lowell Huffman	Jimmy Clark

Communion Table

West Side	Outside	Bill Winemiller	Jacob Harper	Rick Cox	Jay Kellow	Carl Gilstrap
	Inside	Rex Harper	Adam Gors	Jay Kellow	Bill Winemiller	Joe Reed
East Side	Outside	Justin Hummel	Carl Gilstrap	Steve Gors	Justin Hummel	Don Allison
	Inside	Adam Gors	Volker Jaromin	Rex Harper	Richard Messer	Steve Gors

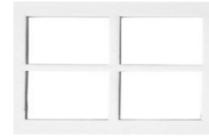
Evening Worship

Announcements	Jerry Hoyt	Todd Stults	Bill Winemiller	Don Allison	Gary Reynolds
Song Leader	Don Allison	Jerry Hoyt	Lowell Huffman	Gary Reynolds	Cliff Nicks
Opening Prayer	Volker Jaromin	Bill Smith	Cliff Nicks	Kendall Clark	Richard Messer
Scripture Reading	Adam Gors	Rex Harper	Volker Jaromin	Jimmy Clark	Kendall Clark
Communion Table	Todd Stults	Bill Winemiller	Richard Messer	Rex Harper	Bill Winemiller
Closing Prayer	Gary Reynolds	Kendall Clark	Adam Gors	Rick Cox	Todd Stults
Sound Room	Lowell Huffman	Jimmy Clark	Jerry Hoyt	Lowell Huffman	Jimmy Clark

Mid Week Bible

Date	Jan. 6	Jan. 13	Jan. 20	Jan. 27
Devotional	Mike Gors	Lowell Huffman	Don Allison	Richard Messer
Song Leader	Adam Gors	Jimmy Clark	Lowell Huffman	Don Allison
Prayer	Richard Messer	Bill Winemiller	Todd Stults	Mike Gors

Men, the elders request that you dress appropriately when serving in worship.



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West Side Window



December 27, 2015

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
Larry Reynolds
Todd Stults

DEACONS

Don Allison
Fellowship

Kendall Clark
Benevolence

Jim Clark-Visitation

Lowell Huffman-Media

Volker Jaromin—
Communication and
Advertising

MISSION WORKS

Russia & India

Mark Reynolds

Memphis School of

Preaching

Ronnie Gootam

Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies

Preaching

Caleb Taylor

Jonah Stults

Florida School of

Preaching

Scott Pfettscher

New Hampshire

Laconia Church of
Christ

Shane Belanger



In our society, acts of kindness, giving gifts to the needy and other charitable activities are generally approved by most everyone. Numerous times, we have seen prominent people on TV serving food at a homeless shelter, helping construct a house in a blighted neighborhood or possibly comforting victims of a disaster. Recipients and observers alike publicly praise doers of good deeds. But how does God judge the good deeds performed by His people, Christians?

Obviously, the Lord expects His disciples to show kindness and be doers of good works. Actually, the Lord expects us "to abound in good works" (1 Cor. 15:58) and moreover, be "zealous for good works" (Titus 2:14). But are good works all God expects from us? Is it just the results that count with our Lord?

The short answer is no. God also looks at the motive and purpose of doers of good deeds, i.e., God is first interested in the "heart" of the doer. Man looks at the outward appearance but God looks at the heart (1 Sam. 16:7). The verse "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit" (Phil. 2:3), lets us know the Lord does not praise charitable acts done purely for show and praise by the public. Jesus even condemned praying when it is done for the wrong reasons (Matt. 6:5)

Both charitable deeds and praying are good and right within themselves and should be an integral part of the Christian's life. The public would likely praise Ananias and Sapphira for selling their possessions and giving part of the proceeds to the needy, but they did not give with the right motive and purpose. Benevolent and charitable deeds performed simply as 'photo opportunities' do not meet God's standard.

We see that it is not enough to just do the right thing, but we must do right things for the right reasons. But, is there still more that God requires of us? Again, the short answer is yes. We must have the right attitude, also. God loves a cheerful giver (2 Cor. 9:7). We are admonished to "Do all things without murmuring and disputing" (Phil. 2:14). Gifts, given begrudgingly, do not meet God's criteria.

In summary, we must do the right thing for the right reason and with the proper attitude if our acts of kindness and charitable gifts are to be pleasing to God. The Christians at Macedonia, when they sent gifts to their brethren in Jerusalem, were excellent examples of Christians doing the right thing for the right reason and with the right attitude. (2 Cor. 8:2-5).

By Don Denton

Those Serving Today DECEMBER 27, 2015

MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements: Bill Winemiller
Song Leader: Don Allison
1st Prayer: Richard Messer
Scripture: Joe Reed

Philippians 4:6-9

Sermon: Mike Gors
"Finally, My Brethren"
Closing Prayer: Cliff Nicks
Sound Room: Gary Reynolds

COMMUNION SERVERS

West Side- Outside: Kendall Clark
Inside: Jerry Hoyt
East Side- Inside: Jay Kellow
Outside: Rick Cox

EVENING WORSHIP

Announcements: Bill Winemiller
Song Leader: Don Allison
1st Prayer: Jim Clark
Scripture: Carl Gilstrap
Ephesians 4:1-6
Sermon: Mike Gors
"A Worthy Walk"
Communion Table: Adam Gors
Closing Prayer: Volker Jaromin
Sound Room: Gary Reynolds

On Duty Today & Wednesday

Door Greeters: Bill & Pam, Anna, Joe & Wanda
Lock-up: Don & Teresa
Communion Clean Up: Todd & Genny
Communion Prep: Lola & Betty

Remember in Prayer

Andrew Weyman, Leukemia. Two year old
Angie Reed, MS, Daughter-in-law of Joe and Wanda
Ashley Shaw, Personal issues
Dana Shaw, Knee surgery. Returned home on Wed.
Herb & Betty Smith
Holly Chambers
Jeremy Fortner, Advanced colon cancer. Nephew of Kendall
Jerry Winsor, Cancer. Brother-in-law of Pat Ergle.
Laura Spaulding, Breast cancer. Co-worker of Genny Stults
Marshall Staggs
Mike Bayer
Monet Wright, pain issues after brain surgery
Susan Cloninger, Testing scheduled for January 11th
Virginia Southard, stroke and heart attack.

Honest Pride in Daily Work

Can you imagine Paul making a poor tent?
Can you imagine him saying, "Anything to finish this tent, what if it is half sewed?"
Try again; can you imagine Christ doing a slipshod job of carpenter work? Do you ever think of the patient days and years when Jesus worked with Joseph in the carpenter shop of Nazareth? It reminds us of what Christ said afterward of God and himself. "My Father worketh hitherto and I work." Jesus could no more have left a bit of carpenter work half finished than he could have left the multitude half fed in that never-to-be-forgotten day when he fed five thousand men, besides women and children.

Remember Our Shut-ins

Evelyn Vannatter—Elmcroft
Forrest Hurst—Elmcroft
Jim & Marylou Witty—At home
Joyce Popplewell--Waters of Muncie
Lana Blanchard—Albany Health Care
Ralph Zeek—Willow Bend
Vada Zeek—Willow Bend

Cleaning Crew for Jan. 2016

Auditorium: Mike & Jessica
Bathrooms: Gary & Kista
Basement: Good Samaritans
Classrooms: Todd & Gen
Foyers: Bill & Pam

Midweek Service on Wed Dec. 30th

Song Leader: Gary
Devotional: Jimmy Clark
Prayer: Jim Clark

Happy Birthday

Sally Anderson--Dec. 27
Adam Gors--Dec. 30
Gavin---Jan 3
Don G.---Jan 10
Rick---Jan 11
Debbie---Jan 11
Charlene---Jan 14
Andy ---Jan 16
Kassandra---Jan 18
Pat Lee---Jan 30
Jack ---Jan 31



What is happening today?

4:00 Pearls Class

5:00 Boys Song Leading

Benevolence Committee to meet after evening worship

- Dec. 29, Men's Fellowship breakfast at IHOP, 8a
- Dec 29, Women's Fellowship breakfast at IHOP, 10a
- Dec. 31, New Years Eve Party at the building with singing, games, cards. Please bring finger/party foods and your sleeping bag if you think you might need it. Party will last 7:00-12:01 PM, 2016.
- Jan 3, Girls to lead at Willowbend Nursing Facility. 2p
- Jan 10, Girls to lead at Bethel Pointe at 2:15p
- Jan. 9th, Ladies Singing and Lunch, 10a
- Jan. 14, HS & College Bible Study. 7p at Towne Acres
- Jan. 14, Bible Study at 2p. Elmcroft
- Jan. 21, Ladies Deep Bible Study, 7p
- Jan. 23, Youth lock-in at West Side
- Feb. 20, Yorktown Teacher's Appreciation Dinner

Snippets

--Volker is chairing a Yorktown Teacher's Appreciation Dinner at West Side on Feb. 20, 2016. He is asking for help in invitations, meal, and workers in general. This endeavor will help us to connect positively with the leaders, teachers and coaches of the school and give us the opportunity to make the church a viable entity in the school's effects to educate the children of this community. This is a good chance to use your talents. If you have questions or would like to help out, see Volker. FYI: there are extra planning sheets on the table. This project will begin work very soon.

A Healthy and Happy New Year to all of you!