

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

August 14, 2022

Midway Messenger

Sunday, August 14	
Greeters	Josh & Eleshea Jones
Bible Reading	Danny Standridge
Devotional Prayer	Tim Hester
Song Leader (AM & PM)	Aaron Fletcher
Worship Prayer	Chris James
Lord's Table	
(B) Houston Hutto	(J) Paul Rogers
Roger Jones	(O) Jamie Patterson
Rayford Morgan	Tom Wilkerson
Larry Peebles	Roger McCaghren
Announcements	Brent James
Dismissal Prayer	Will Fletcher
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Kenneth Grover
-Songs	Mark Biles
-Audio	David Scarbrough
Prepare Communion	Julie Carter-Emily Owens
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Harry James
Dismissal Prayer	Rex Free
Wednesday, August 17	
Song Leader	Sam Scott
Closing Prayer	Marl Fuller
Ushers	Chris Hood-Matt Addison
Lock Building	Mark Biles-Matt Addison

Sunday, August 21	
Greeters	Brent & Beth James
Bible Reading	Windell Denney
Devotional Prayer	Nathan Lee
Song Leader (AM & PM)	Paul Gilliland
Worship Prayer	Jerry Hall
Lord's Table	
(B) Ken Nelson	(J) Kenneth Grover
Frank Pitts	(O) Josh Jones
Jimmy Jones	Marl Fuller
James Rogers	Ben Rogers
Announcements	Larry Little
Dismissal Prayer	Preston Grover
Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday)	
-Streaming	Tim Hester
-Songs	Will Fletcher
-Audio	Rex Free
Prepare Communion	Kelli Barker-Anna Hill
Sunday Evening	
Opening Prayer	Chuck Cleghorn
Dismissal Prayer	Roger Thomas
Wednesday, August 24	
Song Leader	Harry James
Closing Prayer	David Barker
Ushers	Chris Hood-Matt Addison
Lock Building	Mark Biles-Matt Addison

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Kortney Weaver	2 Kellie James Tasha Davis Millard Macon Paul & Ashley Gilliland	3 Jerry Huskey Larry Peebles Windell & Jennie Denney Myron & Anita Bohannon	4 Sabrina Standridge Kayla Martinez	5 JR Peebles	6
7 Jan Waldrep Calendar Planning Summer Sing	8 Gracie Weaver Ken Nelson	9 Rachel Lee Rex Free	10	11 Matt Addison	12	13 Chris James
14 TAC	15 Elizabeth Owens	16 Julie Pitts	17	18 Karen Kilpatrick	19 Nancy Sherrill	20
21 Ice Cream Social	22	23	24 Ellie Gilliland	25 David Scarbrough Randy Gillespie	26	27 Brex Fuller
28 Hannah Fuller Elders Meeting	29	30 Larry & Kay Little	31	1	2	3

August 7 Bible Study 104 A.M. Worship 131 P.M. Worship 72 Contribution \$6,936 Weekly Budget \$7,000



A TRIBUTE TO THE BIBLE (notes from Franklin Camp)

The Bible is no ordinary book. It may affect us in one of two ways: properly studied and applied, it will affect us for good in time and eternity; improperly handled, it will cause one to lose one's soul.

The Bible is every man's book. It is not intended for a special group (clergy or scholars). It is written for the average person. Scholars may study it and marvel at its depth, but common folks may study and joy in its simplicity.

No one ever outgrows the Scriptures. The more one studies them, the wider and deeper they become. The Bible is the one Book which enables one to look into eternity. The best evidence for the Bible's inspiration is found between its covers. No one will ever be a useful Christian unless he knows the Bible. Matthew Henry said, "The scriptures were not written to make us astronomers, but to make us saints." It is no wonder that Paul urged Timothy to study the scriptures, "rightly dividing" the word of truth, that he might be an approved workman before God (2 Tim.2:15). There is no higher ambition on earth. The Bible acknowledges man's faults; it is patient with man's weaknesses; it is severe with man's sins; and it is honest with his virtues and his hopes.

To own a Bible is to be rich. To study, to know, and to trust the Bible is to find life. To study the Bible is to be wise; to obey it, to be strong. To know the Bible and to handle it right is the greatest accomplishment within the reach of any person. One may know English, astronomy, literature, music, sociology, and philosophy; but if one does not know the Bible, one has failed the only subject that brings all things into their proper relationship and that enables one to know life at its best.

The Bible can save many a heartache. The following was found on the fly-leaf of a Bible placed by the Gideons in a motel: "May God bless the man who placed this book here. I am a young lady twenty-one years old, fatherless and motherless. Tonight, this book saved me from taking a wrong step. May the next reader find in it the comfort that I did."

One can never be truly great who does not know the Word, love it, live it, delight in it, and teach it without perversion and without misrepresentation. The one who knows how to handle it is in a position to render the greatest service to the world.

The Bible is a mirror that enables us to see ourselves as we really are. It is food which supplies the strength we need, a lamp to guide our way, a hammer to break and to build, a sword to fight and to defend, a seed to plant and to grow, and a goal to own and to attain. There are no experiences in life for which the Bible does not furnish a passage. May these thoughts lend encouragement to all of us to become diligent students that we may know the way of life and find the life that is life indeed.

ELDERS	
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AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY	
Benevolence	
Deacons: Windell Denney, Sam Scott	
Visitations	
Deacons: All	
Education	
Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Houston Hutto	
Local Evangelism	
Deacons:	
Group A—Houston Hutto	
Group B—Harry James, Nathan Lee	
Missions	
Deacons: Larry Little	
Youth	
Deacons: Matt Addison	
Building & Grounds	
Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Nathan Lee, Aaron Fletcher	
Technology	
Deacons: Tim Hester	
Finance	
Deacons: Harry James	
Worship Assignments	
Deacons: Matt Addison	
Security	
Deacons: Sam Scott	
Transportation	
Deacons: Nathan Lee	

Midway Church of Christ

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Sunday Bible Study 9:30am Worship 10:30am & 6:00pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm

Remember in Prayer

- Continue to keep Keith and Denine Thomas in your prayers.
- Collins Bailey is recovering well. Continue to pray for her and her family.
- Noel and Wanda Counce have been moved to assisted living. Address...The Neighborhood at Sheffield 413 Cox Blvd, Sheffield AL 35660.
- Thelma Bonds, acquaintance of Aaron and Christie, has ALS and is having a difficult time. Address...201 Co Rd 3157 Houston, AL 35572.

Please remember all of our sick with prayers and cards of encouragement.
*There is a complete cards and prayers list on back table.

LOVE AND SYMPATHY

We continue our prayers for Steve and Sherry Chamberlain in the passing of Steve’s father, Gilbert, this past week. Memorial services were conducted Wednesday at Parkway Funeral Home. Please also be praying for the family of Deborah Pirtle, who passed away this past Wednesday. Her services are scheduled for tomorrow at Parkway Funeral Home, 2 p.m. The “Father of mercies and God of all comfort” is our only hope (2 Cor.1:3-5).



THUMBS UP

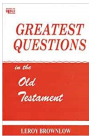
Here are some thoughts to consider as we pray to the Lord and render praise to Him.
PRAY that the Lord will:
T – make us TEACHABLE. “Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation” (Psalm 25:4,5).
H – make us HUMBLE. “Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble” (1 Peter 5:5,6).
U – make us UNITED with other believers. “that they all may be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me” (John 17:20,21).
M – make us a MODEL of godliness. “my little children, for whom I am in the anguish of childbirth until Christ is formed in you” (Gal.4:19).
B – make us a BROKEN person. “The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise” (Psalm 51:17).
S – make us STRONG. “But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it” (2 Tim.4:16,17).
PRAISE
When we praise God in worship...
T – we are praising the TIMELESS God (Psalm 90)
H - we are praising the HIGH AND HOLY God (Isa.57; Isa.6)
U – we are praising the UNEQUALED God (Micah 7:18).
M – we are praising the MIGHTY God (Isa.9:6,7).
B – we are praising the BELOVED God (Matt.3:16,17; 1 John 4:7,8,19-21).
S – we are praising the SOVEREIGN God (1 Tim.1:17; 6:15,16).

Jonah Chapter 1



Jonah chapter 1 is a book that I have used many times to describe salvation. It starts out with a proclaimed follower of God, the prophet Jonah. He is disobedient to God. How many people in this world claim God but do not obey? Luke 6:46 – “Why do you call me Lord and not do the things I say?” This book starts in the same manner. A denial of Christ by behavior.
As Jonah chapter 1 progresses God provides earthly consequences for Jonah’s sinful actions of running from what was commanded. Jonah was supposed to be headed to Nineveh, but was headed purposefully in the wrong direction. God would raise the winds and sea in preventing Jonah’s will from being successful and in the process ensuring His own Will would be accomplished.
Upon the ship Jonah traveled, there would be preaching, hearing, calling upon the Lord, obedience, sacrifice, and salvation. Jonah is a type of Christ and this chapter is just the beginning. God ends up sending a great fish to swallow Jonah as the writing ends. However, there are three more chapters of this book to cover and the next few lessons of Locusts and Wild Honey will cover exactly that.

ANCIENT QUESTIONS MODERN TIMES



The Sunday morning auditorium class is examining questions asked in the Old Testament. This morning’s question comes from Genesis 3 where God asked Adam: “Where art thou?” If you need a class book for this class, please see Paul Rogers.

IN THE BEGINNING



Our elementary-aged Bible classes are back in the book of Genesis, studying creation. They are currently learning about day 6 of creation, focusing on God’s creation of man -the design of the human body and the importance of the soul. “So God created man in his own image” (Gen.1:26,27).

GUEST TEACHERS

- Aug 17—Justin Guin
- Aug 24—Bill Becker
- Aug 31—Don Williams
- Oct 2 (Evening) - Kyle Butt
- Oct 9 (Evening) - Josh Webster

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

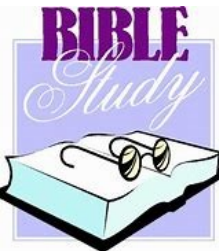
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ENGRAVING HEAVENLY TRUTHS

Engraving heavenly truth is a quick, five-minute Bible facts review we are conducting every Sunday evening around 6 p.m. The first part of overall Bible knowledge is to know the facts and how they fit in the overall history of scripture. These facts are a good source of information for parents to share with their children on a daily basis. “...bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord” (Eph.6:4).

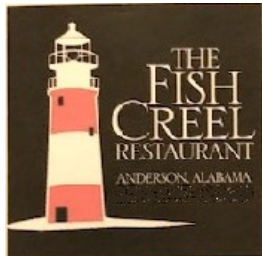
MEN’S CLASS MEETING THIS EVENING AFTER CHURCH UPFRONT

The Men’s Monday Bible class is slated to begin September 12 at 6:30. Men interested in these Bible studies are asked to meet for a brief meeting this evening after church (right side, up front).



Supper Outing

It’s time to eat and fellowship again! We will be going to The Fish Creel, in Anderson, this Saturday. Bus will be leaving at 4. Bring your appetite and cash or check, as they do not except cards. Please see sign up sheet in the back.



Upcoming EVENTS
Make Plans to Be a Part

- August 20, Supper Outing to Fish Creel
- August 21, Ice Cream Social
- August 28, Elders Meeting
- September 4, Devo at home of Chris & Heather Hood
- September 11, TAC (Top Golf)
- September 11, Fall Festival Meeting at 5:15
- September 11, Todd Clippard & Finger Food Fellowship
- September 17, Service Project, 6th Grade and under
- September 17, Supper Outing, O’Bryan’s Steakhouse
- September 18, County Wide Devo at Midway