

| Sunday, May 14 | |
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| Greeters | Josh & Eleshea Jones |
| Bible Reading | Mark Biles |
| Devotional Prayer | Jamie Patterson |
| Song Leader (AM & PM) | Ben Rogers |
| Worship Prayer | Paul Rogers |
| Lord's Table | |
| (B) Sam Scott | (J) Larry Little |
| Rayford Morgan | (O) Houston Hutto |
| Larry Peebles | Danny Standridge |
| Frank Pitts | Roger McCaghren |
| Announcements | Ken Nelson |
| Dismissal Prayer | Roger Thomas |
| Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday) | |
| -Streaming | Tim Hester |
| -Songs/Audio | Harry James |
| Prepare Communion | Benita James-Beth James |
| Sunday Evening | |
| Opening Prayer | Casey Pirtle |
| Dismissal Prayer | Nathan Lee |
| Wednesday, May 17 | |
| Song Leader | Paul Gilliland |
| Closing Prayer | Tim LeMay |
| Ushers | Jamie Patterson-Matt Addison |
| Lock Building | Houston Hutto-Mark Biles |

| Sunday, May 21 | |
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| Greeters | Nathan & Regina Lee |
| Bible Reading | Windell Denney |
| Devotional Prayer | Jerry Hall |
| Song Leader (AM & PM) | Aaron Fletcher |
| Worship Prayer | Rex Free |
| Lord's Table | |
| (B) Harry James | (J) Matt Addison |
| Bryant Addison | (O) Brex Fuller |
| Jimmy Jones | Tom Wilkerson |
| Brent James | James Rogers |
| Announcements | Tim Hester |
| Dismissal Prayer | Preston Grover |
| Control Room (Sunday & Wednesday) | |
| -Streaming | Chris James |
| -Songs/Audio | Will Fletcher |
| Prepare Communion | Kellie James-Anna Barker |
| Sunday Evening | |
| Opening Prayer | Josh Jones |
| Dismissal Prayer | Marl Fuller |
| Wednesday, May 24 | |
| Song Leader | Ben Rogers |
| Closing Prayer | Kenneth Grover |
| Ushers | Sam Scott-Chuck Cleghorn |
| Lock Building | Houston Hutto-Mark Biles |

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 30 | 1 | 2 Tami Beddingfield | 3 Ida Scott | 4 | 5 | 6 Roger & Sherrie Thomas Chuck & Jill Cleghorn |
| 7 | 8 Denine Thomas | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Graduate Recognition | 15 | 16 | 17 Brice Gilliland | 18 Jannie Williams Jacob & Megan Pitz | 19 Phyllis LeMay | 20 Tim & Emily LeMay |
| 21 Lily Hutto | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 Nathan & Regina Lee | 26 Summer Macon | 27 Jennie Denney |
| 28 Jimmy Jones Elders Meeting Group Meetigs | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 Jerry & Patty Huskey | 2 Aaron Fletcher | 3 |

May 7

Bible Study 79

A.M. Worship 118

P.M. Worship 96

Contribution \$8,437

Weekly Budget \$7,000

May 14, 2023

Midway Church of Christ

TENDERNESS

I often speak of my mother as a tough disciplinarian. That she was. But her tenderness was also interesting. For what it’s worth, here are a few thoughts.

She was tender toward the grieving. As she had opportunity (cf.Gal.6:9,10), my mother would attend funerals, extending mercy even to those she did not know very well. She bemoaned the fact that people do not take the time for memorial services as they once did. She took it upon herself to visit such services, often finding mostly just a few there to encourage the family. Her Lord was “touched by the feeling of our infirmities” (Heb.4:15) and so was she. It has been said that the death of a mother is the first tear shed without her.

She was tender toward the sick. Many, many nights she was up attending to the fevers of us siblings. This was often followed by hours at the doctor’s office. Decent mothers do this because they are made “in the image and likeness of God” (Gen.1:26,27). God made us “upright” (Eccl.7:29) and, like Him, we want to be compassionate toward the sick, (Matt.8:14-17).

She had a heart for the lost. My mother was not reared in the church, but once converted, she sought to help her sisters learn the gospel. My aunt Barbara often went with Mom to midweek Bible study. Through this influence, my aunt heard the gospel many times and grew in her respect for the Bible. It is our prayer and confidence that she will obey one day very soon.

She had a heart for dad. Wives are taught to love their husbands (Titus 2:3,4). This my mother did with great passion, serving him in joy and conflict. She made sure Dad had what he needed to do his work every day (food, clothing, rest, support). A true “help-meet” she was (Gen.2:18). He was first in her heart and that was a powerful lesson for us kids. Dad passed 9 years before Mom and she insisted on honoring him at every opportunity during that time.

She was thoughtful toward the great commission. As Mom grew sick and her strength deteriorated, her strong-willed intent was that, as much as possible, not to be a hindrance to her children’s work in the church. Of course, we would never consider her a hindrance, but she had no problem expressing her will with remarkable clarity. Like John, and like all godly mothers, in her heart, she was saying, “I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth” (2 John 4). I hope one day to be able to live up to the expectations of the Lord...and Mom.

--David

SICK & PRAYERS

- Continue to remember Chris, Alison and baby Chloe James in your prayers as they are still in Utah. Chloe is still in NICU but doing well. Address..935 E South Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah 84102 - Room 103.
- Emily Cartner, Nancy Sherrill’s granddaughter, has been in the hospital in Tennessee. Prayers requested for her.
- Chris Gingola, friend of Sam Scott, is undergoing treatments for liver cancer. Address.. 4010 Hunters Ridge Dr. SW, Unit 12, Huntsville , AL 35802.
- Dot Goodwin’s cancer has returned and she is in need of our prayers. Address.. PO Box 215, Trinity, AL 35673.
- Kristi White is doing well. She appreciates all of the cards and prayers she received through her rough days with cancer.

ELDERSElders

Roger Thomas
Brent James
Nathan Lee

MINISTERMinister

Harry James
Sam Scott
David Barker

DEACONSDeacons

Benevolence

Deacon: Windell Denney

Visitations

Deacons: All

Education

Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Houston Hutto

Missions

Deacon: Larry Little

Youth

Deacon: Matt Addison

Building & Grounds

Deacons: Jamie Patterson, Aaron Fletcher

Technology

Deacon: Tim Hester

Worship Assignments

Deacon: Matt Addison

LOVE THE BROTHERHOOD (I PETER 2:17)

Chris and Alison have been blessed by the church in Utah, as they attend to baby Chloe. Our young people, while away at different colleges, are constantly supported and encouraged by brothers and sisters in Christ. And, our brotherhood is quite resourceful. Another fine tool for learning and sharing the gospel is a work called – Good News Today. The website is gnttv.org. Brother Jim Dearman, a faithful evangelist from the Chattanooga area, coordinates this program. Please make good use of this important tool.

A BIT OF WISDOM

The children of the Family Circus were in a lively discussion about babies. Two truths were unleashed by the little “experts.” “Storks don’t bring babies. They come UPS.” And, “Babies are connected to their mothers by a biblical cord.” Good insight! - Houston Chronicle, May 1992.



RECOMMENDED RESOURCE

Be sure to explore the opportunities in World English Institute (WEI). The motto is “communicating Christ to the world” and the website is worldenglishinstitute.net. From the comfort of your own home, any of us can teach students from every nation through this work. English is the dominant language of the world. More people study English in China than in the United States. English is the language of commerce, science and technology. WEI takes advantage of this worldwide interest and uses it to share the Good News about Christ. As God used Koine Greek to spread the gospel in New Testament times, He is using English in the modern world. Please see bulletin board for more details.

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SECOND SUNDAY IN MAY

Since about 1914, under President Woodrow Wilson, the second Sunday of May has also served as Mother’s Day. Since the gospel highlights the family and the role of mothers (Titus 2:1-5), we are delighted to talk about a special mother this morning during worship. Let’s be ready to study together. “Honor your father and mother (for this is the first commandment with promise)” (Eph.6:2).

VBS – HEADING OUR WAY, LORD WILLING

June 11-14 are the dates for this year’s VBS! It will be at 6:30 each evening and classes will be available for every age group. We all understand the work involved, both in preparing classes and advertising the event. Please help in any way you can! ** We will have a brief VBS teachers meeting following church tonight. Teen room. Theme this year is on strong faith – “Farm Fresh Faith.”

Items needed for VBS-Juice Boxes, Water, Individual bags of chips, Little Debbie's.

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

- WHO WAS SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING SAMSON TO DIVULGE THE SOURCE OF HIS STRENGTH?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF MOSES, AARON, AND MIRIAM?
- WHO HID TWO SPIES UNDER SOME PILES OF FLAX ON HER ROOF?
- WHO MADE HER SON A COAT EACH YEAR AND TOOK IT TO HIM?
- WHO HAD A LITTLE ROOM BUILT ONTO THE HOUSE SO ELISHA COULD STAY WITH THEM?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF JOHN THE BAPTIST?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF ISAAC?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF JACOB AND ESAU?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF JOSEPH AND BENJAMIN/
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF SOLOMON?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF SAMUEL?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER-IN-LAW OF RUTH?
- WHO OFFERED TO WATER ELIEZER’S CAMELS AT THE WELL?
- WHO WAS THE MOTHER OF JESUS?

SPECIAL TIME NEXT SUNDAY!

As we have been announcing recently, our young men will be leading services at Arley church of Christ next Sunday evening, May 21st. The young girls will lead a devotional for ladies at 5:30 p.m. and Arley’s regular service will begin at 6 p.m. For next Sunday, we are moving our evening service here at Midway to 2 p.m. Our elders decided to do this to make it convenient for members to go and support the services at Arley. Please make a note of this: Midway’s evening service for next Sunday, May 21st, will be at 2 p.m. Thank you very much.



"Who can find a virtuous woman?
For her price is far above rubies."
Proverbs 31:10

A TRIBUTE TO OUR MOTHERS

There is simply no way we can ever really thank mother for all she has done for us. Mothers are the ones who will be awake all night when we are sick. Praying to God to make us well and be ever ready to bear the pain that we may be experiencing. Mothers are the ones who endure all our tantrums. Mothers are the ones who wake up early in the morning to make the nicest lunch for school and forever complain that we are not eating enough or not eating right. They would cook all sorts of things so that we be strong and healthy. Mothers, in fact, are the ones who worry more for our examinations than we must. They would take pains to complete our school projects leaving all other works behind while we play around with friends or just while away time watching movies. Happy Mother’s Day to all the ladies that have had a special place in our hearts and lives.

Upcoming EVENTS
Make Plans to Be a Part

- May 20, Supper Outing to JW Steakhouse
- May 21, Youth service at Arley