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<u>Wednesday Evening</u> Announce/Prayer Song Leader Devotional MPR Security Building Lockup	<u>October 12th</u> Andrew Gott Chase Johnson Travis Harrison Smith Sexton Justin Lohde	<u>October 19th</u> Barrett Hammer Dwight Sutton Josh Adkins Braden Wilson Mike McGuire	

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Heralding The Good News

Five Things to Remember When You Don't Feel Like Praying

Hiram Kemp

I hope you always feel like praying, but here are five things to remember in the times when you would rather not pray.

- The Holy Spirit Helps (Rom. 8:26-27).** While I wish I knew more about exactly how this happens I am content to know that it takes place. The Holy Spirit helps us to pray when we struggle with groanings that are too deep for words. We may bow our heads and believe we are on our own talking to the heavenly father, but the Bible says the Spirit aids us as we pray. He helps us, especially when we do not know what to say and he intercedes for us. The next time you do not feel like praying, remember that God's Spirit is interceding for you, and he is even helping to form the words you cannot say perfectly.
- You are not alone (Psa. 39:2-3).** There was a time when David did not open his mouth and say the good things that he should. His silence did not help him in his time of grief, but it intensified his grief. Even people in the Bible struggled with prayer and engaging in service to God on occasion. We need to see their struggle, but also that they persevered and did not give up.
- Borrow words from Scripture (Luke 11:1).** When you feel stuck or find yourself saying the same things about the same things; pray the scriptures. Take a psalm, read it, then pray the words back to God. For example, take Psalm 23 and thank God for being your shepherd, for supplying your needs, and apply the words to your life specifically. This can be done with many of the psalms, adding variety to our prayers but also a spiritual depth that may have been absent before.
- Feelings are not sovereign (Psa. 42:5, 43:5).** Our feelings are not the ultimate standard for what we should do or how we need to respond. Many times, we must act our way into a better way of feeling and not the other way around. Just because we do not *feel* like praying does not mean we do not need to pray.
- God needs to hear that too (Psa. 62:8, 142:2).** When we do not feel like praying, we should tell God that too. When the Bible says we should pray about everything, that is exactly what it means (Phil. 4:6-7). When we are honest about our lack of desire in prayer God will revive our souls and renew our zeal to approach him. Do not let a lack of desire in prayer drive you from God but closer to him (Psa. 145:18).

Sermon Notes

Things to Remember as the Church Grows

Hiram Kemp

Acts 6:1-7

Introduction:

1. The early church enjoyed _____ and _____ growth.

2. In Acts 6 we see a _____ to the _____ of the church.

3. It is great to _____, but if the _____ is not spiritually _____ and _____ we will make a _____ of the kingdom of God.

Acts 6 in _____

I. The _____ and _____ of Growth (Acts 6:1)

II. _____ of _____ (Acts 6:1)

III. _____ for the _____ (Acts 6:1)

IV. _____ & _____ on _____ (Acts 6:2)

V. Be _____ and _____ to _____ (Acts 6:3, 6:5-6)

VI. Do Not _____ and _____ (Acts 6:4)

VII. There's _____ for _____ (Acts 6:7)

PM:

"Help, My Child Has Fallen Away" (Luke 15:11-32)

Neal Pollard

SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 15:11-13

I. "LET THEM _____" (11-12)

II. " _____ YOUR _____" (17)

III. "BE _____" (18-20)

IV. " _____ YOUR _____ WILL BE REMEMBERED" (18-20)

V. "BE _____ TO _____" (20-22)

VI. "DON'T _____ YOUR OTHER _____" (28-31)

VII. "SEE WITH _____ EYES" (24,32)

Remember In Prayer

Diane Boyles fell and broke her hip requiring surgery on Wednesday
Carol Simpson has been in the hospital with pneumonia
Brenda Gilbert and family
Jerry Bush (heart surgery scheduled for October 12th at the Medical Center)
Tom Kitchens (knee surgery scheduled for October 17th at St. Thomas Midtown)

Todd Hood, Sharon Hood, Joyce Ennis, Ed Whieldon, Kiki Tyson, Pat Hodges, Charlie and Ann Wolfe, Daphna Gilbert, Edith Riley, James Tabor, Joyce & Laverne Furlong, Lee Swetmon, Margaret Breedlove, Helen Vanzant, Jean Simmons, Virginia Darmondy, Irvin Abney, Mary Stiles, Gary Pollard, James Jones, Jeanetta Lawrence, Jan Painter, Ina Christy, Linda & Shedona Tillman, Jared McGuire, Brenda Duggin

Announcements

Lads to Leaders: Registration forms to be turned in by November 6th to Kelli Nicks


October 21-22 at Big Reedy: Family Retreat for all members!

October 29th: Trunk or Treat and chili cook-off at Lehman Avenue

October 30th: Church-Eat-Church event

November 4-6: SOKY Teen Retreat for ages 12-18. Registration forms are due by October 2nd. T-shirts are on the way!

Friendsgiving: November 12th at 2:00 PM, Hosted by Hiram and Brittani Kemp for Lehman Avenue elementary children. A sign-up sheet is posted on the MPR bulletin board. Please bring your favorite food!



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<u>Lehman Avenue Attendance/Offering</u>	<u>10/2/22</u>	<u>Lehman Avenue Schedule of Services</u>
Morning Worship	244	Sunday Worship...9:30 AM
Bible School	168	Bible Class.....10:40 AM
Evening Worship	108	Evening Worship...6:00 PM
Wednesday Evening	124	Wednesday.....7:00 PM
Offering Today	\$11,154	BUDGET.....\$13,526