



# CHURCH OF CHRIST

October 14, 2018

## **Whoever You Are – In Christ You Are My Brother or Sister**

(Ephesians 6:5-9)

There are many things said about the Bible, and some of them are true. One true thing is that there are passages that make us all just a little, or a lot, uncomfortable. Sometimes it is the blunt strong language of the prophets. Sometimes it is the embarrassing behavior of our heroes. Sometimes it is a teaching that is so radical that it can't possibly be taken seriously. And then there are some passages that make us uncomfortable because they do not condemn things that we find offensive. Today's text is sometimes thought of as one of those passages.

It is the nature of God and of Scripture to give us a chance to grow and to discern how to manage difficult situations. If enough Christians truly followed what is in the Bible, attitudes and systems in this world would change. Indeed, that has been the general movement of history since the delivery of the Ten Commandments. And we can trace the advance of what we now call "human rights" since Christ walked out of the tomb nearly two millennia ago.

As we have been working through this section of Ephesians, we have kept in mind that Paul was interested in promoting unity and maturity. And way back at the first of the year when we began this study of Ephesians, we noted some themes from Jeremiah. Today we might keep in mind Jeremiah 31.

This passage concerning masters and slaves is problematic for us in the United States because of our history of slavery and indentured servitude. I would suggest that if the teaching Paul delivered to the Ephesians had been taken seriously, slavery might have ended sooner than it did. As it is, it was passages like this that changed our society forever and its subversive nature is still with us today. And it still troubles the church – especially in the South.

It is probably true that the nearest we come in our daily lives with the subject matter in Ephesians 6:5-9 has to do with employee and employer. There are enough parallels that we can make applications. Employees, give a good day's work for a good day's pay. Employers, be fair and kind in your practices.

But this may take a little force out of what Paul is saying. Paul has just asked the servants to be servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart. He has told them that whatever good is done will be received from the Lord. There is more here than what the eye sees. Then comes the shocker when addressing the masters when he says, "do the same to them." This verse recalls Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount – "the measure you give will be the measure you get."

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Reading: Habakkuk 2

Next Week: Ephesians 6:10-20

# WELCOME

*We are glad you've joined us for worship today!*

Please fill out the information sheet found in the maroon binder at the end of your pew.

\*An attended **nursery** is provided during worship assembly.

\***Communion**—We celebrate the resurrection of our Lord every Sunday (“first day of the week”) through a time of communion known as the Lord’s Supper. The “unleavened bread” represents His body and the “fruit of the vine” (cup of grape juice) represents His blood shed on the cross. As our guest, you are welcome to participate, though you are not required to do so.

\***Giving**— We are challenged to be good stewards of God’s blessings by supporting the various ministries of the church through a weekly collection that is taken during our worship time. You are welcome to give, but please do not feel as though you must.



**TONIGHT: We will meet at 6pm.**

**Wednesday: Auditorium 6:30pm, 6:45pm class**

**Note from Landon: Upcoming events: Fall Retreat@ Crossville TN-Oct 19-21 . Celebration @LBL-Nov 2-4, \$40.**



**Ryan Hill-RI (Shoulders) Christopher Goodale-USMC  
Cameron Hurst--USAF(Curry) Hans Niestrath-USNA  
Sam Richey-USMC (Stoltz) Conner Wiseman, Fort Bragg (Moore)  
Jason Rushing-Air Natl Guard (Hampton) Ty Naifeh (Afghanistan)**

## Worship Order

### Order of Worship Sunday, October 14, 2018

Congregational Reading: Matthew 7:1-4  
**There's Something About That Name**  
**Sing Hallelujah to the Lord**  
**Jesus, Hold My Hand**  
Prayer— Kivil Brown  
**Jesus Is Coming Soon**  
**Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross**  
Lord's Supper  
**R. Stubblefield Dan Rust**  
**G. Dillingham D. Swaidner**  
**B. Kittinger James Allen**  
**Presiding: Dan Rust**  
Contribution  
Dismiss for Children's Church  
**Jesus Is All The World To Me**  
**Just A Little Talk With Jesus**  
Scripture Reading: Eph. 6:5-9 (Mark)  
Prayer: Quincy Stephenson  
Lesson: Sean Niestrath  
**Jesus Is Tenderly Calling**  
Benediction: Zechariah 7:9-10

### ALTERNATES:

Please meet in case you are needed to serve as a sub for the Lord's Supper

### October:

**Terry Hampton**  
**Kenneth Ashby**

### Prepare communion:

**Oct: Almon**  
**Nov: Wilma**

### For the Record:

**Last Sunday**  
Bible Class: 59  
Worship: 107  
Contribution:  
\$7068.00  
Wednesday: 52

### October 14, 2018

Monitor: Tim Teel  
Nursery: Krista Teel  
Children's Church: Duggin  
Sound Booth: D. Stubblefield

### Sunday, October 21, 2018

Prayer: Brock Shoulders  
Prayer: Roger Matheny  
Scripture: Wayne Adams  
Monitor: J. Stubblefield  
Nursery: Kenna Teel  
Children's Church: none

**Serving the Lord's Table:**  
**R. Stubblefield Dan Rust**  
**G. Dillingham D. Swaidner**  
**B. Kittinger James Allen**  
**Presiding: R. Stubblefield**  
Sound Booth—Tim Teel

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday PM Service topic: John 4:1-42 (Ronny)



Remember the young church in Kenya this week in your prayers.

## New contact info:

***John Kelly***—851 Fields Drive, Apt 512,  
Bowling Green, KY 42104

***Jim & Eileen Miller***—2700 State Rt. 630,  
Dixon, KY 42409  
Jim's Cell— 270-635-0956  
Eileen's Cell — 270-635-1590



Grapevine Elementary Weekend Backpack Program:  
Any easy fix food like MacN Cheese, pop-top soups,  
spaghetti-ohs, single serving main meal items, etc. You  
may put items in the box by the office door. Thank  
you!

## Sunday Morning Class Schedule

Sean's Class-Psalms/New Testament

Ronny's Class-1 John

## Expecting Parents:

Whitney & Bryce Kittinger (girl)—December  
Angela & Brock Shoulders —March

## CALENDAR:

Oct 15—Lifeline Screening  
Oct 19-21—Youth Fall Retreat  
Oct 21—Children's Sermon  
Oct 26—Adams' Hayride  
Oct 28—Trunk or Treat

October 14—Louis Stanley

October 14—Karen Pressley

October 15—Don & Katie Ferguson

October 16—Kim Stanley

October 17—Keitha Noffsinger

October 20—James Scott



## When we meet:

### Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 A.M.  
Worship 10:30 A.M.

### Sunday P.M.

At the building 6 P.M.

Small Groups Sept—May: various times;  
contact Sean Niestrath

### Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 P.M.

### Contact Us:

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### Minister:

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### Youth Minister:

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### Missionaries:

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**Love. Grow. Serve.**

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Rama Austin**, cancer again.

Remember those affected by Hurricane Matthew.

**Amanda Dale Coomes**, Angela's friend, spot on lung, pet scan soon.

**Brady Bunch**, Kellie's brother in law, lupus.

### Serious Illness/Injury:

**Rita Frazier**, lung cancer, Barbara's SIL

**Scott Nutt**, cancer, Gaye's son

**Michael Skultety**, cancer, Jane

**Mike Bright**, health issues

**Ruffin Chandler**

**Lynn Stevens**, cancer

**Keith Roberts**, cancer, EJ

**Betty & Kim Stanley**

**Makenzie Carson**, L. Russell

**Melinda Brown**, Pete's niece

**Barbara Lynch**, Shelia

**Charles Smallwood**, Micki's father

**Jonathan Allen**, MS

**Tammy Langenright**, Hodgkins

**Aaron Reding**, ALS

**Mack Shearn**

**George Utley**, cancer

**Audrey Davis**, 4yr.old, leukemia

**Tracey Moore**, illness

**Barry Newton**, Keith's friend, cancer

**Larry Crowder**, lymphoma, Byron

**Wayne Warszawa**, Parkinson's

**Jakayla Acker**, lymphoma

**Mike Oates**, Natalie's father

**J.B. Wagner's parents** health

**Connie Armstrong**, cancer

**Mark Martin**, mesothelioma

**Andrea Kane**, cancer

**Denise Hawkins**, lung cancer

**Connor Peebles**, severe back problems

**Kim Feltner**, Tim's sister

**Bryce Alexander**, leukemia

**Marvin Gallagher**

**Phil Keith**

**George Teel**, cancer

**Jon Riley**, lungs

**Kevin Cline**, eye disease

**Bruce Coleson**, MS

**Ed Wallace**, liver transplant

**Brady Cobb**, intestinal problems

**Judy Harrison**, heart attack

**Mike Burns**, cancer

**Mark Toomes**, health

**Rodney Householder**

**Buddy Jenkins**, Karen S. father

**Jeff Travis**, waiting on kidney

**Ronnie Lear**, COPD

**Steve Stirsmen**, tumors

**Kathy Terrell**, Terry's sister, COPD

**Hannah Gates**, heart surgery

**Sherry Mitchell**, cancer

**Dennis Matheny**

**Helen Wyatt**, Barbara S.

**Barbie Kern**, Carol's sister, cancer

**Joan Owens**, Landon's grandmother

**Larry Jerome**, Wendy's father

**Sally Malik**, lungs

**Jonathan Walker**, Cumberland Hall

**Virginia Barron**, Children's hospital

### Shut-Ins & Elderly:

Lee Townsend, Junie Peterson, Ewing Stubblefield, Anna Etta Brown,

Ruth Shoulders, Ann Alderson, Don Niestrath

### Elders:

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**Ronny Stubblefield**— 270-635-5360

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### Pennyrile Christian Counseling

Elizabeth B. Webb, LMFT, LCSW

To make an appointment, call 270-825-8746.

### Deacons:

Jeremy Duggin, James Rust, Joshua Scott

Brock Shoulders, Steve Stoltz, Darin Swaidner

Tim Teel, Randy Travis