



CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 4, 2018

Believing the Best in a World that Doesn't

(I Corinthians 13:4-7; Luke 13:1-5)

"Hey, did you hear about . . .?" One might think this is just gossip, but it is a special type of gossip. It is the stuff that we want to be true about our enemies, or opponents, or competition. In fact, it might be something that is true or actually happened and we use that to label and discredit the whole group to which the offender belongs. It happens when we hear that someone has done something offensive or sinful and the response is, "Is he a Christian?", or "Doesn't he go to church at . . .?" or "Typical Republican (or Democrat)"

Another way the "believing the worst" can manifest itself is when our first response to hearing that someone has committed a crime and we immediately think – "I hope they get what they deserve." Now, maybe they do have punishment coming their way, but not before we learn what happened.

It is hard to know exactly what Luke 13:1 is describing. There is no clear record of such a thing happening. But whatever it is, it seems that they were trying to bait Jesus into condemning Pilate and stirring up the crowd. Clearly something happened that needed to be addressed – either a justification for the punishment they received or what to do about it.

Jesus' answer turned their reporting back on them by reminding them that they were sinners just like "the Galileans" and they should repent or they, too, would perish. He then relates another story (perhaps an accident) in which eighteen people died and makes the same point about repentance. The thinking in the ancient world was "they got what they deserved." It is a good way to think about things if we have a tendency to think we are innocent and worthy of life.

We are called as Christians to love each other. We are called to love our enemies. Jesus reminds us that we all need to repent and look to our own misdeeds. We should think less of ourselves and more of others. Giving others the benefit of doubt is a much healthier way to live than to be constantly picking nits.

We are constantly bombarded with agendas, half-truths, and out of context facts. Unless there are people who are willing to believe the best in a world that doesn't we will not be able to find our balance.

Reading for November: Luke 4

Next week's lesson: Ephesians 6

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 NOT meet .

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

Note from Landon: **Upcoming events:**
Celebration @KyDV-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, November 4, 2018

Congregational Reading: 1 Cor. 13:4-7

***I Stand Amazed
The Love of God***

Prayer— Larry Stone

He's My King

Lamb of God

Lord's Supper

Terry Hampton K. Ashby

Tim Ashby Tim Scott

M. Wilkerson Titus Scott

Presiding: Terry Hampton

Heaven is a Wonderful Place

Contribution

Dismiss for Children's Church

He Is Able to Deliver Thee

Into Our Hands the Gospel is Given

Scripture Reading: Luke 13:1-5 (**Darin**)

Lesson: Sean Niestrath

Prayer: Byron Pruitt

Do All in the Name of the Lord

Benediction: ***The Grace***

ALTERNATES:

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

November:

Byron Pruitt

J. Stubblefield

Prepare communion:

Nov: Wilma

Dec: Wilma

For the Record:

Last Sunday

Bible Class: 75

Worship: 121

Contribution:

\$2552.00

Wednesday: 70

November 4, 2018

Monitor: J. Stubblefield

Nursery: Kenna Teel

Children's Church: Duggin

Sound Booth: Tim Teel

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Prayer: Eric Seesengood

Prayer: Terry Goodale

Scripture: Gage Dillingham

Monitor: Kivil Brown

Nursery: Krista Teel

Children's Church: Shoulders

Serving the Lord's Table:

Terry Hampton K. Ashby

Tim Ashby Tim Scott

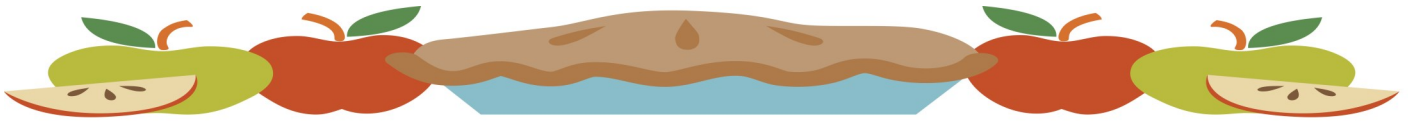
M. Wilkerson Titus Scott

Presiding: Kenneth Ashby

Sound Booth—Landon Duggin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday PM Service topic: John 5:1-47 (Quincy)



Our monthly Ministry Meeting is tomorrow, Monday, November 5th at 7pm.



Our herd of dinosaurs at Trunk or Treat!!



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 (girl)—March 8

CALENDAR:

Nov 5—Ministry Mtg 7pm

Nov 6—Election Day

Nov 11—Veterans' Day

Nov 22-Thanksgiving Day

November 6—Jeremy Duggin

November 7—Roger Dillingham

November 9—Wilma Cunningham



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.

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Love. Grow. Serve.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Landon's grandmother, **Joan Owens**, is still struggling.

Praises: Marvin Gallagher's little sister, **Jasmine Sarah Renee Gallagher** was adopted this week by his family!! Congratulations to grandparents, Tim and Judy!

Serious Illness/Injury:

Rita Frazier, lung cancer, Barbara's SIL
Bryce Alexander, leukemia
Michael Skultety, cancer, Jane
Mike Bright, health issues
Ruffin Chandler
Lynn Stevens, cancer
Keith Roberts, cancer, EJ
Betty & Kim Stanley
Makenzie Carson, L. Russell
Brady Cobb, intestinal problems
Barbara Lynch, Shelia
Charles Smallwood, Micki's father
Jonathan Allen, MS
Tammy Langeright, 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
Allen Seibert, tests

Kim Feltner, Tim's sister
Rama Austin, cancer
Marvin Gallagher
Phil Keith
George Teel, cancer
Jon Riley, lungs
Kevin Cline, eye disease
Bruce Coleson, MS
Ed Wallace, liver transplant
Amanda Coomes, lung biopsy
Connor Peebles, back problems
Mike Burns, cancer
Mark Toomes, health
Rodney Householder
Buddy Jenkins, Karen S. father
Jeff Travis, waiting on kidney
Ronnie Lear, COPD
Steve Stirsman, 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

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

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