



CHURCH OF CHRIST

July 25, 2021

The book of Jonah tells the story of a prophet who is called to preach to a nation that he hates. And because of this hate, Jonah does everything imaginable to avoid joining, even getting on a boat and sailing as far away as possible. However, when storms come, Jonah is thrown off the boat and swallowed by a large fish. Upon arriving in Nineveh, Jonah eventually preaches the message of God and the people of Nineveh repent.

This repentance angers Jonah. He goes to the east side of the city (Jonah 4:5) in hopes that God will reverse his mercy and still destroy the city. It is here that the book of Jonah ends with God asking Jonah, "Should I not have concern...in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left – and also many animals." (Jonah 4:11) The book literally ends there. This wild book that is filled with lessons on racism, disobedience, and following God ends with a question about saving humans and animals.

I think this book ends this way because we, as readers, as supposed to be asking ourselves the very question that Jonah is forced to confront, "What are we going to do next?" We are all looking for signs of permission from God to move. In the Bible, God presents people with signs such as the audible voice of God, burning bushes, and even blinding lights. However, as we search for similar signs that will give us the confidence to move forward, Jesus reminds us that a sign has already been given. In Matthew 12, Jesus challenges those demanding signs by saying that the people of Nineveh (Jonah's foes) will rebuke them because they believed with the sign of Jonah but now someone greater than Jonah has come.

Friends, we have already received our sign that we are to follow God's will in our lives. Those passions and motivations that are already on your heart were put there because God wants to do something amazing in your lives. We must stop waiting for burning bushes or blinding lights and realize that God has already given us the sign that we need to move forward and do amazing things. So with that, what are you waiting on?

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.

We had a great week at camp! **Landon Duggin** and **Alana Knight** were baptized into Christ! We rejoice with them. **Ezra Bridgman** was nominated for Jr. Boy Camper of the Week! We want to thank the staff and campers that made it such an uplifting week.



Ryan Hill-RI (Shoulders)
Cameron Hurst--USAF(Curry)
Sam Richey-USMC (Stoltz)
Tyler Malik-National Guard

Christopher Goodale-USMC
Hans Niestrath-USNA
Jason Rushing-Air Natl Guard
(Hampton)

Worship Order

Order of Worship Sunday, July 25, 2021

Cong. Reading: Ephesians 2:8-10

Hymns

Prayer—Brock Shoulders

Children’s Song

Hymns

Lord’s Supper

Presiding LS: R.Stubblefield

Serving LS: R. Matheny

Karson Teel R. Chilcutt

B. Shoulders R. Murrah

Contribution

Hymns

Scripture: Matthew 12:39-42 **Quincy**

Prayer— Wayne Adams

Lesson: Bryce Kittinger

Hymn

Benediction: **The Grace**

ALTERNATES:

Please meet in case you are needed to serve as

a sub for the Lord’s

Supper

July:

Kenneth Ashby

Byron Pruitt

Communion Prep:

Matheny

For the Record:

Last Sunday

Bible Class:

Worship: 112

Contribution:

\$3753.00

Wednesday: 65

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Monitor: Larry Stone

Nursery: none

C.C.: none

Sound Booth: Zach Pressley

Sunday, August 1, 2021

Prayer: Robert Chillcut

Prayer: Terry Goodale

Scripture: Ezra Bridgman

Monitor: Tim Teel

Nursery: none

CC: none

Serving the Lord’s Table:

Presiding: Kenneth Ashby-

Serving: Byron Pruitt

Wayne Adams J. Allen

Butch Blanton A. Bridgman

Sound Booth—D. Stubblefield

Sunday PM: Singing/Potluck @ Providence

ANNOUNCEMENTS



If you are interested in leading a small group this fall (tentatively Sept) see one of the elders.

Adam Bridgman will be facilitating a Depression/Bipolar Support Group beginning in August. The group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 7pm in the fellowship room. If you have questions please see Adam.

July 26—Wayne & Diana Adams
July 27—Nash Tapp
July 27—Joseph & Micki Clark
July 27—Dennis & Carol Warszona
July 28—Sarah Curry
July 29—Shelia Hampton
July 29—Joseph Clark
July 29—Mitchell & Natalie Lutz
July 30—Larry & Kathy Keith
July 31—Karen Wilkerson
July 31—Josh Pruitt

*Celebrating
-WITH-
you*



Calendar:

July 25—Singing @ Providence
July 28—SS: Paul Wingfield
August 2—Ministry Meeting
August 3—DBSA Meeting
August 4—SS: Stan Colley
August 11—1st Day of School
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