



June 10, 2018

Sunday:

Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 6 pm

Bible Classes: 9:30 am

Wednesday:

Bible Classes: 7 pm

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How Old Are You?

Man has, over the course of human history, shown a great concern for both time and age. Even children, in their own manner, can be occupied by this consideration. It is not uncommon to hear children comparing ages to see who is the oldest. Many of us can remember in the days of youth longing to be older and in particular desirous of adulthood. Undoubtedly, we were somewhat misguided by our own delusions of grandeur concerning adulthood (e.g. – unbridled liberty, opportunity to make adult choices, etc.). Many people have come to the realization that adulthood, viewed through the lenses of youth, is quite distorted. Yet, not everyone grows to appreciate this fact. Warren Wiersbe has observed that “not everybody who grows old, grows up.” There is a vast difference between age and maturity. Long ago, wise King Solomon alluded to this very fact – *Proverbs 16:31* “*The silver-haired head is a crown of glory, If it is found in the way of righteousness.*”

Age is simply an indicator of the passage of time. On the other hand, maturity speaks to wisdom, discipline and righteousness. It is articulated to us in James’ letter that one of the ways these qualities are developed within us is by being faithful to God when we face the various trials and troubles of life – *James 1:2-4* “*My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. ⁴ But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.*” One of the truest indicators between maturity and immaturity is the response to trouble.

Another great indicator of the difference between maturity and immaturity is one’s understanding of one’s purpose. Well we remember the great declaration of Solomon concerning man’s purpose – *Ecclesiastes 12:13* “*Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter:*

Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man’s all.” We do well to hear his wisdom. Let us also heed his counsel. Maturity appreciates that being a “grownup” is not a license to serve self. Rather, it is a responsibility to honor God in all that we do and say. How old are you?

In Him,
Ricky Cook

Order of Worship

Welcome to Worship

8:00 AM:

Song Leader: Marty Findley

47 Holy, Holy, Holy

Call to Worship: Farin Crone

567 Restore My Soul

337 Hallelujah, What a Savior

Assistant 1: Phillip Venkatesan

Giving: Jody Venkatesan

Bread: Jeff Watson

Fruit of the Vine: Steve Brosey

Assistant 2: Shaun Holt

Assistant 3: Reggie Oliver

83 God is so Good

*Scripture Reading: James 1:1-8
Brent Smith*

684 Nearer My God to Thee

Sermon: Ricky Cook

909 There's a Fountain Free

Prayer Requests/Announcements

689 Be Still My Soul

Closing Prayer: Phillip Cummings

*Our songs today are from Songs of
Faith and Praise.*

Others Serving this morning:

Ushers: (1) Ben Anglin,
(2) Jack Birus

10:30 AM:

Song Leader: Bruce Robins

603 Jesus, Savior Pilot Me

394 Walk with Me

Call to Worship: Allen Pratt

**406 Just a Closer Walk with
Thee**

364 Come Share the Lord

Assistant 1: Neal Wilkins

Assistant 2: Ross Thian

Giving: Dan Hager

Bread: Kwesi Asiedu

Fruit of the Vine: Zane Huckabey

Assistant 3: Emagii Graves

Assistant 4: Ivens Jeans

Assistant 5: Bolajao Ajao

83 God is so Good

*Scripture Reading: James 1:1-8
Ian Huckabey*

753 Farther Along

Sermon: Ricky Cook

479 Peace, Perfect Peace

Prayer Requests/Announcements

764 Teach Me Lord to Wait

Closing Prayer: Steve Thornton

*Our songs today are from Songs of
Faith and Praise.*

Others Serving this morning:

Ushers: (1) Caleb Dockendorf,
(2) Khari Gardener

Guest Guide:

- Nursery and Training room are upstairs.
- Children's classes are downstairs.
- Please fill out a guest card and drop it in the collection basket.
- Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in all classes and services in the auditorium. Stop by the sound booth to get one.

Serving Next Week: June 17th

8:00 Service	
Call to Worship	Jody Venkatesan
Assist 1	John Jones
Giving	Ben Anglin
Bread	DuBois Murphy
Fruit of the Vine	Phillip Cummings
Assist 2	Jack Birus
Assist 3	Jonathan Anglin
Scripture Reader	Rowan Crone
Closing Prayer	Sterling Saunders
Usher 1	Reggie White
Usher 2	Brent Smith
10:30 Service	
Call to Worship	Wayne Dellinger
Assist 1	Darius Alexis
Assist 2	Emagii Graves
Giving	Zane Huckabey
Bread	Kerry Clark
Fruit of the Vine	Brandon Porter
Assist 3	Jason Blankenship
Assist 4	Patlesk Quaye
Assist 5	Marvin Blye
Scripture Reader	Steve Koziol
Closing Prayer	Allen Pratt
Usher 1	David Reimers
Usher 2	Alex Ray

Wednesday, June 13th

Devotional	Bren White
Singing	De Morris
Closing Prayer:	Steve Brosey



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