

SERVING ...	TODAY ...	NEXT WEEK
Welcome	----- Elder of the Month -----	
Song	Jacques Pettit	Mike Simons
Prayer	Dug Phillips	Ken Mantle
Song		
Scripture	Ben Simons	Nicolas Hale
Sermon	Andrew Beasley	David Bragg
Song		
Communion	Jules Guilbeau	Keith Nance
Song		
Closing Prayer	David Bragg	Dug Phillips
Announcements	Shane Taylor	Shane Taylor
Video Room	David and Ann Bragg	Arnold Family

Sunday Evening @ 6

Auditorium – Jules Guilbeau

Wednesday Evening Bible Study @ 7

Andrew Beasley - John

ELDERS	DEACONS	MINISTER
Rob Albright	Technology	Nathan Arnold
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Roland Andrews	Finances	Rick Keen
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Ken Mantle	Fellowship	Keith Nance
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Wayne Skipworth	Facilities &	
336.362-2693	Grounds	

MISSION WORKS

Hospitality Ministry	Blessing Bags	Sunshine Baskets
Senior Bible Study	Heart Sisters	Parents Night Out

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In both Testaments of the Bible there is encouragement to meditate. When reading through the Psalms you will often find the word “Selah” separating stanzas of the psalmist’s thoughts. While it is not known for sure what this word means, many scholars believe that this is an instruction from the author to contemplate and meditate upon the things that were just stated. We also find exhortation to focus on things that are “excellent and praiseworthy” and to “think about such things” in Paul’s epistle to the Philippian church (Phil. 4:8-9). What can we gather from this? Mindset matters.

It is not uncommon to hear Christians speak about their sinful nature. I have done so in the past. Paul acknowledges that everyone sins, and everyone falls short of God’s glory (Rom. 3:23). Yet we must remember that while he acknowledges this, he also asks the pointed question “Shall we continue in sin so that grace may abound?” (Rom. 6:1-2). Paul answers his own rhetorical question with a “God forbid” or “Certainly not!” Yes, it is true that each of us will sin. It is true that each of us will sin even after putting Christ on in baptism and devoting our lives to Him. If this was not the case, then there would be no need for the continual cleansing that is spoken of in 1st John 1:7.

Still, we should never begin our day with the expectation that we will sin. Instead, we must focus, or meditate, upon the things that are excellent and praiseworthy. We must remember that we are made in His image (Gen. 1:27), and that He has called us out of darkness and into His marvelous light (1 Pt. 2:9). Mindset matters. So let our focus be on the things that are good, that we might avoid falling short.

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Sunday Bible Study

Sunday Worship

Sunday Evening Study

(No evening service 2nd Sunday each month)

Wednesday Bible Study

9:30 am

10:30 am

6:00 pm

7:00 pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

* **2nd Sunday Fellowship Meal** –
8/13
* **Senior Bible Study: Tues 7/18 @**
11am

Monthly Fellowships in homes
will begin again. Please sign up if
you would like to host this in your
home or at the church building.

HEART SISTERS REVEAL –
Saturday, August 19 at 11:00.
Details to come.

Birthdays

17 – Diahann Fisher

19 – Mike Simons

Anniversaries

20 – David and Diahann Fisher

21 – John and Stephanie
Ransom

Last Week's Attendance

Building 68 FB 6

Contribution: \$1048

Please remember to put your
contribution in the plate when you
arrive so it will be counted in the
current week.

We welcome and encourage children of
all ages to worship with us. If you are
more comfortable, there is a nursery at
the end of the hall on the left where the
service is live-streamed. Changing tables
are available in that room and in the
restrooms.

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER:

Brian Tomlin, a member of the
congregation in Ohio where
Andrew preached was killed in a
truck accident on Wednesday.
Please pray for his family.
Margaret Pettit, Jacques' sister-in-
law waiting for testing to proceed
with knee surgery.
Jessica Stanford – Health issues
Glenda Rushing, April Taylor's
mother received good reports from
her tests.
Jane Skipworth is waiting to be
scheduled for back surgery.
Campers and staff at Carolina Bible
Camp.
John Ransom recently had some
good test results that showed
things are heading in the right
direction with his health.

*All other prayer requests are on the
extended prayer list updated on
7/16.*

**WELCOME! Ruben Valle has
placed membership with the
Northwest congregation. Please
meet Ruben if you have not
already and let him know how
happy we are that he is here!**
Ruben Valle
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Birthday – 5/28

SERMON NOTES:

Title: Purer in Heart, O God
Reading: Colossians 3:5

SOWING & GROWING

a 2023 Sermon Series



GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION



To place ourselves in a right
relationship with God, we must:

Hear	Romans 10:17
Believe	Hebrews 11:6
Repent	Acts 17:30
Confess	Romans 10:10
Be Baptized	Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38
Remain Faithful	Hebrews 10:23-25 Revelation 2:10

Elder of the Month

Roland Andrews

Let's keep up with what is happening
to each other. If you notice someone
missing, please check on them.