

Those Privileged to Serve

Oct 16th - MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M. T. Naes, B. Richardson

Announcements: Gaylon Cooper

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture: Andy Vaughn

Opening Prayer: James Eddleman

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Joseph Johnson

Communion:

J. Lewis, J. Orr, S. Lewis
 D. Cunningham, C. Kidder, J. Cogdell

Greet: Jonathan & Sissy Orr
Nursery Att: A.M. Melissa Phifer
P.M. Reba Donaldson

Oct 16th - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Carleton Kidder

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Jeff Lewis

Communion:

Marion Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Oct 19th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Marion Thomas

Opening Prayer: Ray Pack

Invitation: Jeff Lewis

Closing Prayer: Darrell Cunningham

Oct 23rd - MORNING WORSHIP
6 A.M. J Lewis, J Smith

Announcements: Gaylon Cooper

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture: Kenneth Moody

Opening Prayer: Joe Venable

Sermon: Sam Kammanee

Closing Prayer: Gaylon Cooper

Communion:

J. Lewis, J. Orr, S. Lewis
 D. Cunningham, C. Kidder, J. Cogdell

Greet: Stennis & Mary Lewis
Nursery Att: A.M. Debi Helton
P.M. Nijerika Green

Oct 23rd - EVENING WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Freeman Kidder

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Jonah Adams

Communion:

Marion Thomas, Walt Ferguson

Oct 26th - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Jeff Lewis

Opening Prayer: Marion Thomas

Invitation: Freeman Kidder

Closing Prayer: Paul Hatcher

Weekly Record

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| 6 a.m. Worship | 6 |
| Sun. Morning Bible Study | 98 |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 128 |
| Sunday Evening Worship | 93 |
| Wed. Bible Study | 99 |
| Contribution | \$ 3849 |

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Where Can I Go But To The Lord?

Keith Bellamy

That's the title of a beautiful hymn, but it's also a question that we should ponder.

I was visiting with a friend of mine this week and I asked him how his father-in-law was, and how his mother-in-law was. His father-in-law is very ill and in a nursing facility. His mother-in-law is worn out from helping with her husband. So, my friend proceeded to tell me about his brother almost dying from a kidney ailment, and then his good friend had a heart attack, and his friend's brother ended up in the hospital with a serious problem--and then another friend has been diagnosed with something that could be terminal. So...what's next?

I tried to encourage my friend, but I am at a loss as to what to say. He knows I care, but how much more can this family bear?

And then I get a phone call from one of our church members telling me his wife is being taken to a hospital in Lufkin by ambulance from our Emergency Room at Tyler County Hospital; and this husband is very ill and has to stay in due to his affliction, so...how much more?

Where can we go but to the Lord!?

A song by Bill Gaither says, Because He Lives I Can Face Tomorrow.

And that is what it is all about isn't it? Jesus rose from the dead and defeated death whereby His followers can be assured of a place to spend all eternity with Him (John 14:1-3).

Thank God, He has the answers, because I don't! And I know his Way is the only Way!

McDonald's Syndrome

Allen Graff

God give me more patience and give it to me RIGHT NOW! Can you relate to that? We live in an age of fast everything. Fast food, fast cars, fast computers, fast news. Nobody wants to wait on anything. I call it "McDonald's Syndrome." We no longer have time to walk into the store to buy our fast food, we can just drive past the window and grab it on the fly. It's incredible how impatient our society has become. We complain if we have to wait in line at Kroger or Walmart for more than a few minutes. I pity the new cashier in training that still hasn't mastered using the laser scanner. CNN gives us the latest world news every 30 minutes and for some folks even that's not fast enough.

I experienced this myself a couple of times this week as I was working on the new church website. I was trying to install a piece of software that I was unfamiliar with and I couldn't get it to work correctly. The web host the church is using advertises they have 24/7 tech support, so I sent them an e-mail about the problem. 2 hours later I was still waiting for a reply. Where was their 24/7 support? I finally decided the 24/7 meant it takes 24 hours before they return your e-mail and 7 tries before they fix the problem. Anyway, I switched to a different brand of software and got it working without their help.

The software creates a message forum where members of the church can leave notes to each other online among other things. Once I had it running I sent out an e-mail to about a dozen or so members of the church encouraging them to log on and try it out. Several hours later nobody had tried it yet. Once again I was impatient...however I guess I can forgive them...I sent the e-mail at 2 in the morning. Doesn't EVERYBODY check their e-mail in the middle of the night? I realized that I was expecting too much, but that still didn't help my frustration.

It's a fact of life that sometimes we have to wait on things. No matter how much you want it, some things take some time. You can't have everything RIGHT NOW. 1 Thessalonians 5:13 advises us to "be patient with everyone." Patience is encouraged often in the Bible. Of all the words used to describe love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, patience is the first. Proverbs tells us that wisdom produces patience and conversely that patience provides understanding. A patient man can persuade a ruler. Remember the persistent widow? She had patience that produced results.

It's easy to get caught up in the fast pace of today's world, but we must realize that patience is a virtue that we all need to cultivate more. Slow down, take it easy, don't get stressed out so easily. Moses waited 40 years in the desert, I guess I can wait a few more minutes for somebody to respond to my e-mail.

Congregational News and Notes

Prayer Requested

Ronald Goodine, brother in law of Freeman Kidder, will be having open heart surgery on October 20th.

Tim Boyd, cousin of Doris Joyner, is in the Med in Memphis after being involved in an automobile accident.

Members

Harold and Doris Davis,
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Jean Harber, Rachel Epperson,
Louise Hopper, Teresa Yearwood,
Ted Lingren, Fredie Stewart, Cindy
Kidder and Iva Hopper.
Bill and Gladys Gowan, Teriyaki
Anderson, Tom Crow

Friends & Family:

Horace Yearwood, Loretta Stanfill,
Holly Richardson, Sammy Snead

Cards to Send this Week

Karen Malone
Chester County Nursing Home
412 Juanita Drive
Henderson, TN 38340

Margie Whitehead
1778 S Highland Avenue
Jackson, TN 38301

Pantry Item

Canned Northern Beans

Please remember Sam Kammanee in your prayers as he will be traveling to the States this week. He will be giving a report next Sunday.

Happenings

South Jackson

10/16

Men's Business Meeting - 3:30 PM

10/29

Fish Fry - 2:00 PM

\$2.00 donation per person requested.
Give your money to Gaylon Cooper.
Bring desserts, drinks and lawn chairs

FHU Student Series

10/19

Ben Coleman
God is...Merciful

10/26

Michael Shifflet
God is...Gracious

11/2

Harrison Moran
God is ...Love

11/9

Kenneth Moody
God is... Forgiving

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