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Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

A Street Vendor Named Contentment

Ahh... an hour of contentment. A precious moment of peace. A few minutes of relaxation. Each of us has a setting in which contentment pays a visit.

Early in the morning while the coffee is hot and everyone else is asleep.

Late at night as you kiss your six-year-old's sleepy eyes.

In a boat on a lake when the memories of a life well-lived are vivid.

In the companionship of a well-worn, dog-eared, even tear-stained Bible.

In the arms of a spouse.

At Thanksgiving dinner or sitting near the Christmas tree.

An hour of contentment. An hour when deadlines are forgotten and strivings have ceased...

But unfortunately, in our squirrel cages of schedules, contests, and side-glancing, hours like these are about as common as one-legged monkeys. In our world, contentment is a strange street vendor, roaming, looking for a home, but seldom finding an open door. This old salesman moves slowly from house to house, tapping on windows, knocking on doors, offering his wares: an hour of peace, a smile of acceptance, a sigh of relief. But his goods are seldom taken. We are too busy to be content...

"Not now, thank you. I've too much to do," we say. "Too many marks to be made, too many achievements to be achieved, too many dollars to be saved, too many promotions to be earned. And besides, if I'm content, someone might think I've lost my ambition."

So, the street vendor named Contentment moves on.

Max Lucado
More Stories for The Heart

In Christian Love,

Mike





There were three baptisms at the Jail Ministry last Saturday by Tom Gosser. They were: **Amanda Underhill, Travis Chessor and Amos Haskins.**

Any lady not already serving on the Meal Train list that would like to participate in this, please see Bettina Horner or Lisa Truett.

There will be a bridal shower for **Michael & MacKenzie Schommer** in the fellowship hall on Sunday, June 23rd from 2 to 4 pm. They are registered at Amazon.

Men's Prayer Breakfast is every Tuesday morning at 6:00 am in the basement.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday @ 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

The **Ladies' Bible Class** meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in **room 104.**

If you have a **prayer request**, please use a blue card, and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.



A Celebration of Life was held for **Louise Murray**, who was the sister of **Gerry & Kerry Hinson**, and her son **Michael Lee Murray** this past Monday. Our sympathy is expressed to this family as they suffered a double loss.

We express our sympathy to the family of **Ann Spencer** who passed away last Friday. Ann was a kindergarten teacher in our local school system for many years. Visitation was Thursday and a Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, June 1st, at 2:00 pm at McDonald Funeral Home.

We express our sympathy to the family of **James Williams** who is the brother of **Al Williams**. His funeral service will be held June 1st at the Open Door Baptist Church in Columbia at 1:00 pm.

Sympathy to the family of **Larry Buttrey** who is the brother-in-law of **James Swaw**. His funeral was Sunday afternoon in Dickson.



Members: Joyce Boyd, Brenda Stoltz, Floy Cochran, Carolyn Phillips (Dickson Horizon), Reda Springer, Shanon Irwin, Kenneth Chandler, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Woody Woodruff, Janey Gilbert, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon, Helen Shanes & Jo Ann Totty (Dickson Horizon).

Friends & Family: Paul Harvill, Freda Simmerly (sister of Kenneth & Clay Chandler-Dickson Horizon Rehab), Elizabeth Dunn, Nicholas Wright, Barbara Beard, Edwin Garner, Chris Chilton, David Stewart, Willie Lawler, James Coates (Select Specialty hospital Nashville), Trevor Buchanan, Pam Sullivan, Pam Simmons, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, June Roder, Mary French, Anthony Stacks, David Talley, Billie Lynn Tyler, Cory Patterson, James Stoltz, Grayson Gunter, Becky Gatewood, Jimmie Jenkins, Stephanie Pitman, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Roy Harris, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell (cancer spreading), Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler & Donna Gaspard.

Life Care: Gethlyn Gardner, Martha Ann McCord, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss. Sue Davidson, Gary Yates, Wilma Green.

The Bridge at Columbia: Hattie Mayberry, Daisy Beard.

NHC Hendersonville: Sherry Breece



A church will either evangelize or it will fossilize. It can't stand still.

Discipleship is a decision, either for or against Jesus.

--Rodney Rochelle



May 26 - Puppet Show, during evening service in LO
Jun 4 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH
Jun 9 - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift Off
Jun 16 - 3rd-5th grade Devo, during evening service in FH
Jun 18 - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30-8:30 @ FH
Jun 30 - Fifth Sunday



Center Fielders News

“Buy Now, Pay Later”

Recently we received a catalog in the mail advertising various products for sale. The products were brilliantly displayed on glossy paper, in an eye-catching manner. At the top of each page were bold letters that read, BUY NOW, PAY LATER. This mentality can quickly get us into financial trouble, and it is even more dangerous in matters with spiritual and eternal consequences.

The Bible says, “A person will reap what they sow.” This verse clearly describes the result of thinking, “buy now, pay later.” This pictures a immoral person who is consumed with pursuing instant gratification with no regards to what the future holds. “For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world” (1John 2:16). Simply saying, not everything that glitters is gold. Our sinful nature is readily captivated by the “buy now, pay later” scheme and the only way to be delivered is to be born again by the power of Jesus.

The prodigal son wasted his inheritance with gratifying his sinful nature with the thought process that he could pay later. This type of thinking will always require a payment. The devil is skilled at making sin look attractive while hiding the consequence and the penalty. Satan first used this trick in the Garden of Eden, and has successfully repeated it thousands of times ever since.

As Christians, we urgently need to look beyond the gloss and glitter, and count the eternal cost of sin. Something to remember: impulsive buying and impulsive sinning go very well together. Sin will take you farther than you want to go, keep you longer than you want to stay, and cost you more than you want to pay.

Obey God and watch Him work,

Rodney

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF May 19, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP	226
CONTRIBUTION:	\$4624
2024 WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5104

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Lafayette Spears

Scripture Reading: Lyle Shepherd

Scripture: Romans 8:31-39

Preside Lord's Supper: Norman George

Left: Jeffrey Peebles **Right:** Jerrie W Barber

Curtis Edwards

Dalton Barber

Robert Graf

Wyatt H Barber

Tommy McClanahan

Nathan Carroll

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Norman Moss

Van Driver: Jeff Stacks 931-994-7631

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Scripture Reading: Kenneth Jett

Scripture: John 6:15-21

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Roy McCoy

Lord's Supper: Gary Basford, Adam Jude

Closing Prayer: Tom Gosser

Van Driver: Jeff Stacks 931-994-7631

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Wright

Song Leader: Jeff Rose

Opening Prayer: Rodney Rochelle

Van Driver: Chris Love 931-994-7855

Romans 8:31-39

³¹ ¶ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us? ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

³³ Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? *It is* God who justifies.

³⁴ Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁶ As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



JUNE

- 1 Kita Wright
Sherry Breece
Butch Sullivan
- 2 Myra Orton
Hannah Irwin
Wilma Dean Green
- 3 Blake Graham
- 4 Denise McCoy
- 7 Sara Beth McClanahan
- 10 Darin Cochran
- 11 Jett Jacobs
- 12 Glenda Jacobs
Sandra Harrington
- 14 Deborah McClellan
- 16 June Prince
Carleigh Liddell
- 17 Eric Mayberry
Harrison Kelley
- 18 Mark Anthony Licciardello
- 19 Patrick Brady
Jo Ann Totty
- 20 Chris Kimbro
Aiden Liddell
- 21 Ginger James
- 22 Brenda Fly
- 24 Chris England
- 25 Bobbie Graf
Kristie Jett
- 26 Connor Pitman

"THE LAW OF THE CHURCH?"

In his 60 Minute T.V. interview this past week, Pope Francis was asked about his view of same-sex marriages and homosexuality. His reply gave no scripture, as a matter of fact he made no mention of the scriptures throughout the lengthy interview. His answer was that "homosexual unions go against the law of the Church." What about the law of Christ?

I converted a catholic lady and one of the first questions she asked me was "What does the Church of Christ teach about cremation?" She said, "The Catholic church forbids it." I explained to her that the church of Christ does not teach anything. We are disciples of Christ; we follow what Christ, and the inspired scriptures teaches. The church does not make laws. (Note: there are no scriptures forbidding cremation).

Jesus said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" and that his disciples were to teach others to "observe all things that I command you" (Mat. 28:18-20). Jesus has given no men, in Rome or elsewhere, the authority to make their own laws concerning salvation, worship or Christian living. If any man, or even an angel, taught anything different, "he is to be accursed!" (Gal. 1:8-9). Homosexuality is a sin, not because of "the law of the church," but because of the teachings of the holy scriptures (1 Cor. 6:9-11).

-Dennis Doughty



JUNE

- 2 Wallace & Sue Smith
Harry & Joyce Fielder
- 4 Dustin & Diana Bailey
- 6 Woody & Carla Woodruff
- 8 Nathan & Whitney Carroll
- 11 Rick & Joyce Bruno
- 13 Mike & Amber Kelley
- 14 Kenneth & Barbara Chandler
- 16 Stephen & Deana Graham
- 19 Bobby & Rosa Waynick
Steve & Teresa Craft
Lonnie & Bettina Horner
- 20 Robert & Crystal Wilson
- 27 Curtis & Barbara Edwards
Tom & Lauren Gosser
- 29 Kenneth & Kristy Jett
- 30 Roy & Sharon McCoy



**Blood Drive
Centerville
Fairfield Church of Christ**

Fellowship Hall
1860 Hwy. 100
Centerville, TN 37033

**Monday, June 3, 2024
12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Centerville19 to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



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