

The Messenger

SLICER STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

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"How beautiful...are the feet of those who bring good news..." Isaiah 52:7



Sunday, February 26, 2017

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ELDERS

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DEACONS

James Brice	Rick Johnson
Floyd Coffey	Shawn Sando
Bradley Dunlap	David Smith
Doug Dunn	Frank Stuart
Matt Hodges	Don Ward

MISSIONARIES

Altin Koci	Fier, Albania
Eduart Hoxha	Vlora, Albania
Tom Bonner	Lushnje, Albania
M. Suresh Babu	India
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Office hours: 9:00am-1:00pm Monday - Thursday

Assembly Statistics

Sunday Worship Attendance	206
Worship Average Attendance Year to Date	200
Sunday Evening Attendance	104
Wednesday Evening Attendance	108
Sunday Regular Contribution	\$7040
Average Contribution	\$6229
Budget	\$6700

WORSHIP HELPERS

February 26, 2017

Nursery Worker	Donna Smith & Melissa Collins
Preside Lord's Table	Rick Gore
Scripture reader	Freddy Gentry
	Psalms 5:1-4
Lobby Attendant	Freddy Gentry
AM Opening Prayer	Melvin Gerde
AM Closing Prayer	Jim Strother
PM Announcements	Jeff Bridges
PM Opening Prayer	Frank Stuart
PM Closing Prayer	Mike Strother
Nursery Contact	Dana Blankenship (888-7101)
Prayer Leader Contact	J. Brice (888-3678) or F. Coffey (888-3487)

TV PROGRAMS - CABLE CHANNEL 2

Monday-Friday: 7:00-8:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am (live worship)
Sunday: 1:00 p.m.

WEEKLY CLASSES

Tuesday: Dorcas Group (8:30am) & Ladies Bible Class (1:00pm)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Class	9:00 am
Worship	9:50 am
Evening Worship	5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class	6:30 pm
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Reaching for Fullness
Slicer Street Church of Christ

Reaching UP

Reaching IN

Reaching OUT

Family News

Sick & Prayer Needs

Rosemary Marshall no back surgery but a back brace & to NHC for rehab; **Alan Shekell** started chemo again last Wed; **Patsy Bailey** recovered from the flu but still unable to tolerate food due to her stomach issue (she would appreciate cards); **Carol Stuart** back to NHC & taking meds for pneumonia; **Jerry Sullivan**, Vickie Smithson's dad, doing some better and home now; **Joe Hoover** requested prayers. **Chester Folkes** is doing better; **Joe Ford** moved to NHC for rehab.

Remember in prayer: Alvin Haywood, Floyd & Florence Coffey, Jim & Barbara Rasberry, Dewayne Sullivan, Judith Sullivan, Bonnie Rasche, Judy Young, Freddie & Letraonna Gentry, Joy Dawn Brown, Reid Russell, Marilyn Elders, Gearline King, John Patton, Buddy Neal, Harold Blocker, Holly Sando Woodhouse, Judy Janssen, Rosemary Marshall, Rance Rainey, Walter Dearing, Earline Nash, Briley Flood, Jerry Sullivan, Alan Shekell, Kevin Blansett, Alice Hodge, Calib Book, Bill Estes, Geneva Young, Hayden Bellamy, C.M. Smith, Bradley Dunlap, Joe Ford, Jerry Jones, Judy Parr, Roger Owen, Karen Brewer, Faith Carnett, Pat Neal, Jeri Kay Hardy, Brenda Mungle, Donald & Maxine Short, Brad Metheny, Kim Morgan, Mike Milburn, Flo Milburn, Etta Williams, Dolly Stanberry, Chester Folkes, Travis Davis, Patsy Bailey, Sharon Wilson, Tony Smith, Joe Hoover Chase Dapp (military)

Nursing Homes & Care Facilities

National Health Care: Dorothy Bost, Allen O'Neal, Ruth West, Carol Stuart, Patsy Bailey, Hildred Stultz, Rosemary Marshall, Joe Ford

St. Francis Park Assisted Living: Monette Collmorgen, Dolly Stanberry, Jack Clark (cottage 5)

Southaven Residential: Marilyn Elders, Joe Hoover, Mattie Dale

Heritage Homeward Bound: Chester Folkes

For Wednesday March 1

Devotional: Carson Strother
Prayer leader: Tyler Bateman

Scripture Readers:

Dennis Blake 3/5
Boyce Hamlett 3/12
Andy Johnson 3/19
Larry Metheny 3/26

Devotionals:

Shane Branum 3/8
Marc Blankenship 3/15
Leon Jackson 3/22
Dennis Blake 3/29

Bus Driver for March

Matt Hodges (344-0071)

Security for March:

Freddy Gentry &
Charles Smith

Ladie's Night is Monday, Feb 27 at 6:00pm. Please bring your favorite dish with the recipe to share. The program will be sharing your story of why you first came to worship at Slicer Street.

Please remember the new teacher assignments start

Sunday, March 5.

Wednesday Night Meal is March 1 starting at 5:30pm. The menu is vegetable beef soup and potato soup.

Family Milestones for March

Birthdays: Gracie Belle Hughes 2/29, Tana Stewart, William Fletcher 3/1, Hannah Johnson 3/2, Angie Jones 3/3, Floyd Coffey 3/5, Tamia Taylor 3/8, Brandan Bradshaw 3/12, Carrie Strother, Linda Strother, Jeff Gerdell 3/13, Travis Gentry 3/14, Lisa Mullins 3/17, Martha Wright 3/19, Melissa Jamison 3/21, Jenifer Ragins 3/23, Amy McClendon, Judy Parr, Dolly Stanberry, Adalyn Dunn 3/25, Sally Cates 3/26, Marilyn Elders 3/27, Carolyn Mullins 3/28

Anniversaries: Jeff & Susan Bridges 3/8, Johnny & Susie McCarroll 3/14, Shawn & Tonya Sando 3/16, Larry & Anne Metheny 3/19, Chester & Carrel Folkes 3/20

Military Address: Marlenia Goodman's grandson-in-law, **Chase Dapp**, Camp Duskin, APO AE 09354. He is in Afghanistan. Alexa's address is 106 E Lake, Paragould, Ar 72450.

Preaching Grace

"I grew up in a church in which the subject of grace was never addressed from the pulpit."

The statement above, appearing in a church bulletin, was written by a preacher who was reared attending services in a congregation of the church of Christ. Upon reading this, my first thought was, "Can this be true?"

Please understand, I do not question the integrity of the person who made this statement, but I cannot help but wonder if his memory serves him well. It is the case that one's present mind set can sometimes filter memories and edit the narrative thereof. But supposing that the above assertion is indeed accurate, then it breaks my heart that God's amazing grace could have been so tragically neglected.

Beloved, it is absolutely impossible to even preach the gospel in its purity while leaving out grace! How so? Because the gospel, at its very heart, is the message of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection for the salvation of lost humanity. It is the message of how God in his love has blessed us. It is the message of God giving us what we need, rather than what we deserve. It is the message of God's willingness to do for us what we could not accomplish for ourselves. (**John 3:16-17; Acts 20:32; Romans 3:21-26; 1 Corinthians 15; Ephesians 2:1-10; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17**) The gospel is the message of grace! The old hymn described what the good news story really is:

Heaven came down and glory filled my soul,
When at the Cross the Savior made me whole.
My sins were washed away
And my night was turned to day.
Heaven came down and glory filled my soul!

—John W. Peterson

In preaching the gospel, regardless of the title of a particular message or the specific topic one might be addressing, grace is the foundation and theme. To present the gospel is to preach "**Christ and Him crucified**" (**1 Cor. 2:2**).

Thank you, brothers and sisters, for allowing me to preach the gospel in your worship assemblies. As always, I joyfully anticipate being with you this Lord's Day. **Johny Hester**