

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, July 30, 2017

INTERIM PULPIT MINISTER

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ELDERS

Leonard Boggs	888-4705
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DEACONS

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

MISSIONARIES

Altin Koci	Fier, Albania
Eduart Hoxha	Vlora, Albania
Oltion Mezini	Lushnje, Albania
Tom Bonner	Lushnje, Albania
M. Suresh Babu	India
Gandham Prasad	India

PASTORAL COUNSELING

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SECRETARY

Donna McDowell

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Assembly Statistics

Sunday Worship Attendance	170
Worship Average Attendance Year to Date	196
Sunday Evening Attendance	80
Wednesday Evening Attendance	110
Sunday Regular Contribution	\$5306
Average Contribution	\$5810
Budget	\$6700

WORSHIP HELPERS

July 30, 2017

Nursery Worker	Brooke Hodges & Maria Blankenship
Preside Lord's Table	Jeff Bridges
Scripture reader	Freddy Gentry
	I John 1:5-7
Lobby Attendant	Kent Beck
AM Opening Prayer	Jeremy Hughes
AM Closing Prayer	Ben Vance
PM Announcements	Rick Gore
PM Opening Prayer	Mike Vance
PM Closing Prayer	James Vance
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 UP

Reaching IN

Reaching OUT

Family News

Sick & Prayer Needs

Jim Rasberry has been in the hospital with blood pressure, blood sugar & congestion problems; **Ben Vance** is now home after being in the hospital to treat dehydration problems; **Savannah Butler** had four wisdom teeth pulled Sat; **Nate Jackson** fell Thurs & injured his hand; **Larry Neal** had surgery last Thurs at St Bernard's.

Remember in prayer: Linda Strother, Joe Ford, Floyd & Florence Coffey, Duane Sullivan, Gearlene King, Earline Nash, Jerry Sullivan, Stacy Saltzman, Alan Sheckell, Alice Hodge, Freddy & Letraonna Gentry, Alvin Haywood, Marilyn Elders, Joy Dawn Brown, Hoyt Wooten, Judy Parr, Peggy McLain, Michelle Mabry, Travis Davis, Patsy Bailey, Judy Tworoger, Bill Estes, Mike White, Marilyn Caldwell, Boyce Hamlett, Larry Depew, John Martin, Jim Wilson, Jeff Ward, Carolyn Mullins, Judy Davidson, Mylia Lewis, Jonna Payne, Tony Burkman, Breanna Scott, Sandy Gargas, Aline Craig, Melinda Poindexter, Pat Neal, Rosemary Marshall, Lorrie Chafin, Sandy Yale, Jim Rasberry, Chase Dapp (military)

Nursing Homes & Care Facilities

National Health Care: Dorothy Bost, Allen O'Neal, Patsy Bailey, Hildred Stultz, Gearlene King, Larry Depew, Johnny Moody, Clea Faulk, Carrie Lewis

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

Southaven Residential: Marilyn Elders, Joe Hoover, Mattie Dale, Geneva Young

For Wednesday, Aug 2

Speaker: James Garner
Prayer leader: Rick Gore

Scripture Readers:

Boyce Hamlett 8/6
Andy Johnson 8/13
Larry Metheny 8/20
Shawn Sando 8/27

Devotionals:

Freddy Gentry 8/9
Boyce Hamlett 8/16
Rick Johnson 8/23
Mark McClendon 8/30

Bus Driver for August:

Jeff Bridges (344-3129)

Security for August:

Dennis Robertson
Leon Jackson

Please remember our potluck after services this morning honoring Johnny & Linda Hester. They have been such a blessing to us. Evening services will be held right after the potluck.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Johnny Moody. Brother Johnny passed away on July 22. Services were held on July 24 at Hoggard & Sons in Piggott, Ar.

We extend our sympathy to Trevor Shaver and family in the loss of his grandmother, Judy Young, who passed away July 24. Services were held July 26 at McDaniel Funeral Home.

August Family Milestones

Birthdays: Brenda Dorris 8/1, Dennis Smithson, Alexa Blankenship 8/2, Alexandra Neal, Carrel Folkes 8/3, Alexa Dapp, Delaney Ragins, Lawson Ragins 8/5, Tishana Rushing 8/6, Cole Loggins, Sandy Fletcher 8/8, Denise Gore 8/15, Paula Rickman 8/16, Patsy Bailey 8/18, Susan Bridges 8/19, Matt Hodges 8/20, Savannah Butler, Donna McDowell 8/21, Jerry Hall, Cordie Burkman, Danielle Bateman 8/22, Tracy Smith, Alan Sheckell, 8/24, Larry Neal, Charles Smith 8/25, Tonya Sando 8/26, Barbara Brice 8/29, Skylar Johnson 8/31

Anniversaries: Buddy & Luetta Neal 8/8, Mike & Carrie Strother 8/17, William & Jackie Loggins 8/20, Russ & Rosemary Burcham, Finis & Marilyn Caldwell 8/23, Bradley & Melinda Dunlap 8/24, Floyd & Florence Coffey 8/25, Dennis & Darlene Robertson 8/29

My Final Article and Final Sermon as Your Interim Minister

In my farewell bulletin article as your interim minister at Slicer Street I can think of nothing more important than encouraging you as God's people to continue being the church which truly belongs to Christ our Lord. The following is my sincere attempt to do that.

"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, 'All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' Amen." - Matthew 28:18-20

Scholars of the Greek language tell us that the *imperative* in this commission from Jesus is to **"make disciples."** It is understood that this discipling is to be done as we **"go"**—as we go about living our lives from day to day. Also it is clear that the making of disciples will involve **"baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."** This baptism is **"for the forgiveness of sins" (Acts 2:38)**. Then, according to the words of Jesus, those disciples are to be instructed **"to observe all things that I have commanded you."** As we obey His will in these matters He promises, **"I am with you always, even to the end of the age."**

So here we have the mission of the church—every member of the church. Beloved, don't be satisfied to simply **"go to church."** Brothers and sisters, **be the church!** Do you know some soul who needs Jesus and His salvation? Will you pray for that person? Will you invite that person to be with us this Sunday as we open the Word of life in our worship assembly? Then, as you are going about the business of life, will you set as a priority the salvation of that soul?

As members of the body of Christ, we are Jesus' eyes and ears, His feet, His hands, and His voice. If He is to go to the lost, then we must reach out to them and speak words of salvation. We must be involved and committed to this vital task. Disciple some soul today.

Again, one specific thing that you can do right now is invite someone to join us for worship this Lord's Day morning. My message—my final sermon as your interim minister—will be: **"How To Remove Blood Stains."**

As always, Linda and I look forward to the blessing of being with you in worship. We love you in the Lord.

—Johnny Hester