

# 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, October 15, 2017

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### ELDERS

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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    |
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### SECRETARY

Donna McDowell  
 Office hours: 9:00am-1:00pm Monday - Thursday

### LIBRARIAN

Nate Jackson

### Assembly Statistics

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Sunday Worship Attendance               | 198    |
| Worship Average Attendance Year to Date | 194    |
| Sunday Evening Attendance               | 124    |
| Wednesday Evening Attendance            | 107    |
| Sunday Regular Contribution             | \$7587 |
| Average Contribution                    | \$5715 |
| Budget                                  | \$6700 |

### WORSHIP HELPERS

October 15, 2017

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Nursery Worker        | June Beck & Taylor Branum                   |
| Preside Lord's Table  | Shawn Sando                                 |
| Scripture reader      | Leonard Boggs                               |
|                       | Matthew 6:24                                |
| Lobby Attendant       | Jim Brice                                   |
| AM Opening Prayer     | Charles Smith                               |
| AM Closing Prayer     | Michael Cates                               |
| PM Announcements      | Jeff Bridges                                |
| PM Opening Prayer     | Boyce Hamlett                               |
| PM Closing Prayer     | Leon Jackson                                |
| 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

|                  |  |         |
|------------------|--|---------|
| <b>SUNDAY</b>    |  |         |
| Bible Class      |  | 9:00 am |
| Worship          |  | 9:50 am |
| Evening Worship  |  | 5:00 pm |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b> |  |         |
| Bible Class      |  | 6:30 pm |



Reaching UP

Reaching IN

Reaching OUT

# Family News

## Sick & Prayer Needs

**Laura Garner** is to have kidney surgery Oct 16; **Sharon Wilson** to have more tests in St Louis; **Mary Archer** is having heart & thyroid problems & her sister, **Audrey Davis** is critically ill in NEA Hospital; **Flo Milburn** is ill at home with heart issues; **Jerry Sullivan** is back in the hospital with kidney issues; **Ruth West** is now on hospice.

**Remember in prayer:** Linda Strother, Joe Ford, Floyd & Florence Coffey, Jim & Barbara Rasberry, Duane Sullivan, Earline Nash, Jerry Sullivan, Stacy Saltzman, Alan Sheckell, Freddy & Letraonna Gentry, Alvin Haywood, Joy Dawn Brown, Travis Davis, Marilyn Caldwell, Jeff Ward, Judy Davidson, Melinda Poindexter, Pat Neal, Judy Parr, Bonnie Rasche, Rosemary Marshall, Lorrie Chafin, Sandy Yale, Tony Smith, Sharon Wilson, David Coffey, Laura Garner, Brenda Branum, Cassie Duncan, Erna & Wallace Johnson, Jimmy Smith, Mary Archer, Jon Pruitt

## Nursing Homes & Care Facilities

**National Health Care:** Dorothy Bost, Allen O'Neal, Patsy Bailey, Hildred Stultz, Gearlene King, Larry Depew, Cleta Faulk, Carrie Lewis, Joy Dawn Brown, Rosemary Marshall

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

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

**Belle Meade Paragould:** Ruth West

**Safehaven:** Kim Stevens

## For Wednesday, Oct 18

Speaker: Jay Lyles

Prayer leader: Doug Milburn

### Scripture Readers:

Matt Hodges Oct 22

Jeff Bridges Oct 29

### Devotionals:

Tyler Bateman Oct 25

### Van Driver for Oct :

Freddy Gentry  
(870-740-9012)

### Security for Oct:

Charles Smith  
Boyce Hamlett

## Nursery Workers October

Rebecca Ross & Mary Vance Oct 22  
Susan Bridges & Angie Burkman Oct 29

**Game Night** for kids and adults will be October 20 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Please bring board games and \$3 for pizza.

**All ladies** are encouraged to attend Ladies' Night on October 23 at 6:00pm. The meal will be provided. Everyone attending is asked to bring two non-perishable food items to be used in the new ministry of providing food boxes for those in our community who are in need. Barbara Petty will present a short program on how we can help the Childrens Homes by collecting food labels.

**Trunk or Treat** will be in the back parking lot

October 29 at 4:00pm with a chili supper following services. There will also be a bonfire for the youth group on the lot in front of the church building. There is a sign up sheet for chili and desserts in the lobby.

**Spencer Furby** will be holding a gospel meeting at Shady Acres Church of Christ in Sikeston, October 22-25. **Youth Emphasis Night** will be Sunday, October 22, starting at 4:00pm with worship at 5:00pm. Britt Burcham will be leading singing. We will be taking the van which will leave at 2:45pm.

**Sandy Yale's** new address is 8155 Jefferson Hwy, Apt 1105, Baton Rouge, La 70809. Sandy is feeling better at this time.

We welcome **Mildred Jones** and her daughter, **Margaret Davenport**, as new members to our Slicer Street family. They moved here from Walcott, Arkansas. Their address here in Kennett is 20384 Jamaica Zacs Place. Phone number 573-559-2161.

**Jimmy Smith** came forward for prayers last Sunday. He has been ill and unable to attend for awhile but hopes to start attending regularly again.

## What has the world come to?

There seems to be so much hatred in the world. We see the news reports of these mass shootings and terrorist attacks and we are shocked. We cannot fathom how far the world seems to have fallen. But is that true? Has the world really become a more evil place? In Genesis, it took simply two chapters after the creation of the universe for mankind to sin. In the fourth chapter of our Bibles we see the first murder. Within seven chapters the world had become so evil that God hit the reset button and destroyed all but eight humans. Even after the forming of the Lord's church, it only took seven chapters for the first Christian to be killed for his beliefs. Human beings live in an evil world. We always have and we always will. The methods for evil may have advanced but we're fighting the same human nature God's people have always fought against. We shouldn't be shocked when wicked things happen around us. **"Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you."**

- I Peter 4:12

Instead of focusing on what this world has come to, let's rededicate ourselves to what has come into this world.

**"I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness."**

- John 12:46

If we want an answer to all the hate in this world, He is it. Jesus Christ is the only answer for fallen humanity. Now let's do our part in sharing that answer. In love, Jay