



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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November 14, 2021

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Tim Dooley

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School..... 9:30
Morning Worship.....10:30
Afternoon Worship.....1:15
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30

MINISTERS

Tim Dooley.....859-486-4215
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ELDERS

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Tim Dye.....662-316-2527
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Phil Young.....662-316-2059

DEACONS

Kurt Clayton.....662-316-6420
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Jason Jennings.....662-801-3260
Mark Jennings.....731-609-3309
Kevin Simmons....662-512-8451
Randy Wall.....662-316-9255

2021 THEME

“The Power of Love”



OUR RECORD

11/07/2021

Sunday School..... 117
Sunday A.M.....136
Sunday P.M..... 93
Wednesday.....78
Contribution.....\$5,108.00

“Count Your Blessings.” In Psalm 23 David wrote of the vastness of God’s blessings, *“You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.”* The idea of counting every blessing is intriguing. We give it plenty of lip service and even sing about the bountiful blessings of God. It’s because what David said is true, that our cup does indeed run over, that it’s certainly not possible to sit down and count every blessing. However, it’s profitable for us to regularly stop to consider all that God has bestowed upon us.

“Name Them One by One.” Some think of their blessings only en masse, in the abstract; with broad general strokes we thank God for them. There is however an urgent need in our lives to begin thinking of God’s blessings more specifically. We need to particularize our blessings in order to fully understand the graciousness of God. This will also allow us to come to a fuller understanding as to our utter dependence upon Him. It is He who holds all things together and upholds the universe by the power of His word (Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3).

“And It Will Surprise You.” In Malachi 3:10 God says, *“...put me to the test.”* If we will be truly thankful for what we have, and give God the glory for the blessings in our lives, He will bless us beyond measure. First, I must give myself to Him (Luke 14:26; Matthew 16:24; 2 Corinthians 5:8). The wealth of His blessings will amaze us if we give to Him (physically, spiritually, and thankfully) as He has prospered us (Luke 6:38; 1 Corinthians 16:2). *“Oh, that men would praise the LORD for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men”* (Psalm 107:8)!

“What the Lord Hath Done.” Remember the glory belongs to God! What has God done for you in this life? How blessed are we both physically and spiritually? You’ve been given life! He has blessed you with the fullness of the earth. He has cared for us spiritually and given us the hope of eternal life in the sacrifice of His Son. The problem for many of us is that we hold on to all that we have as though it is ours by our own power. We fail to see that it’s God who has shared with us what belongs to Him. We give ourselves praise, honor, and glory for what we have. There needs to be a change in our attitude toward the blessings of God. And when there is, how wonderful will be the vision, when the haze of selfishness and pride is lifted. Be thankful and be faithful!



Dooley noted...

Don’t forget to be here Sunday afternoon at 5:00 PM for the Area-wide Youth Rally. There will not be a 1:15 service. This will be a great opportunity to support our youth and the youth from all over the area. It will also be a great chance to be encouraged by them. Also, the Adult Auditorium Class will begin an in-depth study of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes next Wednesday night. Hope you can join us.



PRAYER LIST

Sue Marques-is still awaiting an appointment for a spinal tap and further testing.

Deborah Griffin- a port has been implanted and a PET scan scheduled for Nov. 15th. She will return to oncology center on the 17th to determine treatment.

Dane Coggin- request prayers as he travels to Atlanta this week for training on new job.

Continue to Remember:

Larry Cobb, Shane Crotts, Kathy Dye, Prebble Foster, Nancy Frohn, Eleta Grimmett, Madison Hardy, Becky Harville, Barbara Holt, Carol Hood, Michele Kimsey, Greg Lawson, Betty McNeely, April Pounders, Olivia Pounders, Joe Reed, Susie Roberson, Novene Robertson, Harold Russell, Roy Sharp, Sue Stroud, Ansley Thompson

Shut-Ins:

J. L. Eaton, Linda Griggs, Billy Joe & Benita Garner, Sue Marques, Nancy Petrowski

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:

Joe Downs, Lucille Gibson, Bill Lyon

Military List:

Derek Bradley, Tevin Bradley, Chase Seals



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



November 16 ~ Jackson Coggin

November 17 ~ Josh George

November 18 ~ Linda Griggs

November 19 ~ Linda Clark

November 19 ~ Darrell Crow

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Blood Drive December 18th, 10:00-2:00 (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Food items for children at Myrtle School (Kurt)
- Supplies for Pine Vale each quarter (Kurt)
- Snack bags and activity books for dialysis center (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- Food items for children at West Union School (Brian, Matt, Shane)
- Provide bags for foster children (Brian, Matt, Shane).
- Provide hygiene products for students. January-Ingomar (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Caring for our church family (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Assist our elderly and the sick with yard work (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Run errands for our shut-ins (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Prepare care boxes for our shut-ins (Kevin/Stephanie)
- Newborn baby items (diapers, wipes, blankets, bibs) for twin girls due in January are needed—friend of Madison Griggs.

THANK YOU

We received a thank you note from *Pat Kennedy* expressing her love and appreciation to the congregation for the love and support shown during the loss of her mother, *Helen DePriest*. The *DePriest Family* were a part of this congregation for over 60 years.

We also received a thank you note from *Clay, JaLyn, Genesis & Vince Ormon* expressing appreciation for the gifts and well wishes and also for the outpouring love shown them in celebration of the birth of *Vince*.

We love and appreciate these families and will continue to keep them in our prayers.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE SCHEDULE

Song: Richard Jennings

Reading: Owen Clayton (Psalm 116:12-14)

Prayer: Greg Clayton

Devotional: Andy Clemmer - "Thankfulness and Humility"

Song: Andy Brown

Reading: Thomas Wall (Psalm 147:7-9)

Prayer: Tim Dye

Devotion: Shaler - "Thanksgiving and Physical Blessings"

Song: Mike Brown

Reading: Dane Coggin (Ephesians 1:3-12)

Prayer: Bill Botts

Devotional: Tim - "Thanksgiving and Spiritual Blessings"

Invitation Song: Mike Brown

Closing Prayer: Phil Young

AREA MEETINGS

- **The New Albany Church of Christ** will host the Area Wide Youth Meeting November 14th at 5:00p.m. The speaker is Tim Dooley.
- **The Nettleton Church of Christ** will hold their annual Fall Lectureship November 14th-18th. Please see the flyer on the table in the foyer for times and speakers.

New Albany Health & Rehab Angel Tree

Christmas wish lists for residents are on the table in the foyer. Your help with this good work is appreciated.

CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

- **Please note, our 1:15 pm service will be combined with the Area Wide at 5:00 pm. Everyone please plan to attend and help support this good work.**
- There are several sign-up sheets on the table in the foyer. Please check those as you go out.
- We need teachers for the upcoming quarter. If you are willing to teach, please let Jason Jennings know.

AM SERMON OUTLINE

The God Given Increase

1 Corinthians 3

- I. God is the Focus of _____ Christians (1-4)
 - A. It is carnal to follow men (Colossians 3:1-2)
 - B. The Corinthians were spiritually immature (Hebrews 5:12-14; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13)
- II. God Gives the _____ (5-9)
 - A. Preachers and Teachers are Ministers or Servants (Colossians 1:25; Acts 18:7-8, 18:24-19:1)
 - B. We are nothing apart from Christ 2 Corinthians 12:11; John 15:5; Luke 17:10)
 - 1. We Are One
 - 2. God's fellow workers (2 Corinthians 6:1; 1 Corinthians 3:9)
 - C. God is:
 - 1. The one who gives the increase (2 Cor. 3:5-6)
 - 2. The one who owns the church (v. 9)
- III. God Has a _____ (10-15)
 - A. A wise master-builder
 - B. A foundation is laid (v. 11; Isa 28:16)
 - C. Good building supplies (v. 12)
- IV. God Has a _____ (16-17)
 - A. The temple of God is where the Spirit of God dwells
 - B. The temple of God is holy
 - C. The temple of God is the church of Christ (1 Peter 2:5-9)
 - D. The temple of God is not to be defiled (destroyed)
- V. God is to Receive All the _____ (18-23).
 - A. To Glory in Men is to be Deceived, Foolish, and Deprived (vs. 21-22; 1 Timothy 6:17; Romans 8:28; 13:7)
 - B. To Glory in God is to be Wise, Christ's, and Mature (v. 23)

AREA WIDE YOUTH MEETING

5:00 P.M.

**God Calls Me To Be Faithful Even
When ... I Have Sinned**

FORGIVENESS AND CONSEQUENCES

Tim Dooley

2 Samuel 11-12 highlights one of the most infamous stories of the Hebrew Bible, the sin of David and Bathsheba. While this was indeed a grievous sin, David was still able to find forgiveness in the sight of the Lord. However, the consequences of his sin ushered in what is possibly the darkest period of his reign over Israel as well as his own personal life. The child dies, his son Amnon violates his sister Tamar, his son Absalom kills his own brother Amnon, and Absalom commits treason against his father. David's forgiveness didn't rid him of the consequences of his sin.

Many people today desire both forgiveness and absolution from the consequences of their actions. They conflate the two as being synonymous; if they continue to suffer from the consequences of their actions, they cry foul, saying, "But I've been forgiven." While God does indeed forgive us of repented sins we need to understand that there will inevitably be consequences for our sins in this life. But, thanks be to God that Jesus paid the price for our sins on the cross so we would not have to face the eternal, spiritual consequences of our sins. The best course of action is to acknowledge our sin, repent, and continue to be faithful!

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SINGING.....Mark Jennings
SONG

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Steve Hill
SONG.....

LORD'S SUPPER/OFFERING....Hunter Jennings, Paul Ormon,
Terry Stubblefield, Richard Adams
SONG.....

SONG.....

SCRIPTURE READING.....Clay Jennings
OPENING PRAYER.....Richard Jennings
SONG.....

LESSON.....Tim Dooley
INVITATION SONG.....

CLOSING SONG.....

CLOSING PRAYER.....Troy Robertson
USHER.....Dean Dillard & Randy Wall
LOCK.....Randy Wall
SECURITY.....Jason Jennings
GREETERS.....Greg & Kim Clayton

P.M. SINGING.....Shaler Grigsby
P.M. OPENING PRAYER.....Kevin Simmons
LESSON.....Tim Dooley
P.M. CLOSING PRAYER.....Mark Jennings

~Remember to silence your cell phone~

THOSE TO SERVE

Sunday, November 21, 2021

Sunday A.M.

Greeters.....P & P Young
Announcements.....Steve Hill
Singing.....Richard Jennings
Lord's Supper.....
Scripture Reading.....James Carter
Opening Prayer.....Joe Owen
Closing Prayer.....Matt Jennings
Usher.....Dean Dillard/Kurt Clayton
Lock.....Kurt Clayton
Security.....Mark Jennings

Sunday P.M.

Singing.....Mark Jennings
Opening Prayer.....Randy Wall
Closing Prayer.....Phil Young

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 28, 2021

Sunday A.M.

Greeters.....Richard Adams
Announcements.....Steve Hill
Singing.....Philip Young
Lord's Supper.....
Scripture Reading.....Owen Clayton
Opening Prayer.....Clint Stroupe
Closing Prayer.....Mason Simmons
Usher.....Dean Dillard/K. Simmons
Lock.....R. Jennings
Security.....Matt Jennings

Sunday P.M.

Singing.....Richard Jennings
Opening Prayer.....Bill Botts
Closing Prayer.....Mike Brown

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