



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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November 21 2021

TRADITIONS

Tim Dooley

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

MINISTERS

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DEACONS

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 Randy Wall.....662-316-9255

2021 THEME

“The Power of Love”



OUR RECORD

11/14/2021

Sunday School..... 112
 Sunday A.M.....133
 Sunday P.M.....162
 Wednesday..11-17-21.....80
 Contribution.....\$5,652.20

I enjoy the last few months of the year for a variety of reasons. I enjoy being outdoors, hunting, shooting, and playing golf; also, the milder temperatures of autumn make outdoor activities so much more enjoyable. I love the smell of a fire and the colors of the leaves as they change. I enjoy Thanksgiving and the reminder of how blessed we have been the past year and how I should be thankful for God’s bounty every day! I love to get to relax and spend time with family and friends. I love Christmas as well, the tree, the lights, THE PRESENTS! But most of all I enjoy the traditions. Some traditions have been around long before any of us were here. Cookies left out for Santa come to mind as a particular favorite. Sometimes we begin new traditions and build memories that last for ages to come.

As Christians though I think we should keep in mind that traditions can be bad as well as good. Traditions are bad when they violate scripture. Just because we have always done something (as a church, in our families, or personally) does not mean that it is acceptable to God. Remember that everything that we say or do should be done with authority from Christ and with thanksgiving (Colossians 3:17).

Traditions can be bad if we bind them as law, or when we reject the law of God to hold on to them. This was a major problem with the first century Jews. Jesus said, *“But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men”* (Matthew 15:9). He also told them, *“Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition”* (Mark 7:9).

But traditions are great things when kept in harmony with God's Law. Paul said, *“Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle”* (2 Thessalonians 2:15). Now, of course, by traditions here Paul was referring to keeping (practicing) the law (teaching) that had been passed on from God to us all. Isn't that what faithful brethren are trying to do every day?

During this holiday season may we all strive to keep the law of Christ and not allow traditions to violate our calling. Also, pray for the strength to teach and help others to do the same. Remember, *“...ye were redeemed, not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers”* (1 Peter 1:18).

Be thankful and faithful every day!



Dooley noted...

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported all our youth at the Area-wide Youth Rally last Sunday afternoon. Being able to worship together with so many young people was a great encouragement. As we get closer to Thanksgiving it is certainly a good time to stop and thank God for just how amazing His blessings are and how blessed we all are by His providence and grace. - Tim



PRAYER LIST

Sue Marques– Spinal tap will be rescheduled at later date.

Deborah Griffin– Chemo treatments once a month until March in an effort to shrink lump, after that surgery.

Continue to Remember:

Larry Cobb, Shane Crotts, Kathy Dye, Prebble Foster, Nancy Frohn, Eleta Grimmitt, Madison Hardy, Becky Harville, Barbara Holt, Carol Hood, Michelle 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 22 ~ Ellis Brown

November 23 ~ Betty Young

November 29 ~ Sissy Bullock

November 29 ~ Amy Martin

December 02 ~ Dillon Clayton

December 03 ~ Lakisha Harris

December 04 ~ Kathy Clayton

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. Nov.-NA Middle and NAES; December-East Union 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.

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

Devotional: Ricky Adams "Thanksgiving and Physical Blessings"

Song: Mike Brown

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

Prayer: Bill Botts

Devotional: Tim Dooley- "Thanksgiving and Spiritual Blessings"

Invitation Song: Mike Brown

Closing Prayer: Phil Young

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.



Did you think to pray today?

CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

- The Security Team will meet in Room 12 today following services.
- Ladies' Survey is due today.
- Our mid-week service will be on Wednesday night the 24th as usual.
- Please turn in your CYC funds (\$35) to Jason Jennings by December 1st.
- Emily Hill will be going on a medical mission trip to Honduras; if you would like to support this mission work by purchasing a t-shirt, see Greg Clayton today..
- 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

GRACE AND GRATEFUL LIVING

Colossians 1:1-6

- I. Thank God for _____ (v. 3)
 - A. Because He has given us _____
(1 Corinthians 12:9; Ephesians 2:8)
 - B. Because He has given us _____ (1 John 4:19)
 - C. Because He has given us _____ (v. 5)
- II. Thank God for _____
 - A. Growing in _____ (v. 4)
 - B. Growing in _____
 - C. Growing in _____.
 - D. Growth in _____ (v. 6).
- III. Thank God for _____ (v. 6)
 - A. The Grace of the _____
 - B. The Grace of the _____ (John 18:38)

PM SERMON OUTLINE

BEING THANKFUL LIKE JESUS

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Jesus was thankful during the _____
(John 6:18-14) and _____
Matthew 26:26-30 ; John 11:38-44

*“Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name;
Make known His deeds among the peoples!”*
(1 Chronicles 16:8)

*“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His
mercy endures forever.”* (1 Chronicles 16:34)

*“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as
members of one body you were called to peace. And
be thankful.”* (Colossians 3:15)

*“And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it
all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to
God the Father through Him.”* (Colossians 3:17)

*“giving thanks always for all things to God the Father
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”* (Eph.5:20)

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SINGING.....Richard Jennings
SONG528 Praise God from Whom All ..
ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Steve Hill
SONG.....644 'Tis Set, The Feast Divine
LORD'S SUPPER/OFFERING....Hunter Jennings, Paul Ormon,
Terry Stubblefield, Richard Adams
SONG.....708 Walking in Sunlight
SONG.....273 I Know the Lord Will Find a Way
SCRIPTURE READING.....James Carter
OPENING PRAYER.....Joe Owen
SONG.....676 There's within My Heart
LESSON.....Tim Dooley
INVITATION SONG..... 189 Grace Greater Than Our Sin
CLOSING SONG.....910 Boundless Love
CLOSING PRAYER.....Matt Jennings
USHER.....Dean Dillard & Kurt Clayton
LOCK.....Kurt Clayton
SECURITY.....Mark Jennings
GREETERS.....Phil & Paige Young

P.M. SINGING.....Mark Jennings
P.M. OPENING PRAYERRandy Wall
LESSON.....Tim Dooley
P.M. CLOSING PRAYER..... Phil Young

~Remember to silence your cell phone~

THOSE TO SERVE

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



In his October 1863 Proclamation of Thanksgiving, president Abraham Lincoln said, "I do, therefore, invite my fellow citizens... to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens."



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