



THE INFORMER

Church of Christ ~ New Albany, Mississippi

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November 19, 2023

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

First Worship..... 9:00
 Sunday School.....10:00
 Second Worship.....11:00
 Wednesday Bible Study.....6:30

MINISTERS

Tim Dooley.....859-486-4215
 Office.....662-534-4649

ELDERS

Greg Clayton.....662-252-9762
 Andy Clemmer.....662-816-5887
 Tim Dye.....662-316-2527
 Richard Jennings ..662-316-1305
 Phil Young.....662-316-2059

DEACONS

Andy Brown..... 662-871-9199
 Young Adults, Youth, Marketing
 Kurt Clayton..... 662-316-6420
 Benevolence, Mission Work
 Dane Coggin 662-419-8308
 Adults, Worship Assignments,
 Sound Room
 Jason Jennings..... ...662-801-3260
 Maintenance, Security, CYC,
 Children's Education
 Mark Jennings.....731-609-3309
 Maintenance, Seniors, Fellowship/
 Special Days, Security
 Kevin Simmons..... 662-512-8451
 New Members, Ladies Ministry,
 High School & Adult Education,
 Care Groups, Mission Work
 Randy Wall..... 662-316-9255
 Fellowship/Special Days,
 Maintenance

A Faithful Friend

Tim Dooley

We read Job's response to his "friends" in Job 16:2 by telling them, "*Miserable comforters are you all!*" Job was experiencing more difficulty and heartache than anyone could possibly bear and needed the comfort and compassion of a true friend, but what he got was anything but what he needed. He goes on to express his utter feelings of abandonment and helplessness. He feels like he has not only been abandoned by his wife and friends but also by God. Does this sound familiar? Do we ever feel abandoned? Even by God?

Peter said Christians should have "*compassion for one another; love as brothers,*" and "*be tenderhearted, be courteous*" (1 Peter 3:8). Not every "friend" will be the kind of friend we need them to be, but the Lord will always be the friend we need! God had not abandoned Job. In fact, the Lord was protecting him even in the midst of his trials. We have the promise that Jesus will always be there for us. The Hebrew writer said, "*Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you'*" (Hebrews 13:5). Yet we as Christians need to be better comforters than were Job's friends. "*A friend loves at all times*" (Proverbs 17:17).

But we also must keep in mind that a true friend will still speak the truth. In Proverbs 27:6 we are told, "*Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.*" Understanding this truth Paul asked the church at Galatia, "*Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?*" (Galatians 4:16). As Christians we need to remember that standing for the truth does not necessitate a rude, ugly, or insensitive spirit. In fact, we are to always respond with love and kindness. One can certainly rebuke another in love, discipline with compassion, and counsel with sensitivity.

Because the Lord is a faithful friend we too need to be faithful to the Lord. James writes, "*Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful*" (James 5:11). Thank God that we have a friend that will never forsake us. But to be a friend to Jesus one must be obedient to Him. Jesus said, "*You are My friends if you do whatever I command you*" (John 15:14). The converse is simple and profound, "*If you do not do the things which Jesus has commanded then you cannot be His friend.*" And the one who is not a friend of the Lord is His enemy. Do you want to be an enemy of Jesus?

Be a true friend to someone today, be a friend of Jesus today. And be a faithful friend to the end!



"There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:4-6).



Church Calendar

Dooley Noted...



Colleen and I can't thank you all enough for your prayers and kindness to us last week due to the passing of her brother Chris. We missed you all dearly last week and were so happy to be home with you again. Please continue to remember Colleen and Chris' family in your prayers. We love you. - Tim



PRAYER LIST

John Bodie's multiple-myeloma is in remission. He will continue to have chemo treatments every 2 weeks.

Shane Crofts had surgery this week in Oxford to remove a squamous cell carcinoma from his hand.

Arelus Dye biopsy revealed a Metastatic Carcinoma and will have PET scan and follow up with doctors Nov. 29th for treatment plan.

Phillip Young biopsy revealed non-cancerous on his thyroid.

Elizabeth Phagan, the sister of Bobby Marques, has been diagnosed with colon cancer and will have chemo & radiation followed by surgery. **Penny Gilbert**, sister of C. C. Coleman, is in ICU struggling to breath on her own.

Anna Jennings was taken to Le Bonheur Children's Thursday night due to severe skin reaction to medication .

Cancer Patients: **John Bodie**; **Georgia Shocklee** (lymphoma); **Ralph Clayton** (father of Greg & Kurt); **Lisa Newell** (aunt of Jackson & Parker Formsmas); **Sherry Parker** (sister of Steve Todd); **Randy Reeder** (son of Grace Lyon); **William Wilson** (brother of Gloria Jones); **Bobby Owen** (neighbor of Betty Young)

Continued Prayers for family and friends:

Shane Crofts (dialysis), **Grace Crofts** (Shane's mother), **Arelus Dye**, **Tonya Dillard**, **Prebble Foster**, **Alfred Jones** (brother of Perry Jones), **Gloria Jones**, **Gerald Jones** (stepfather of Kathy Dye) **Amanda Dye Martin** autoimmune disease (daughter of Tim & Kathy Dye); **Betty McNeely** (sister of Richard Jennings), **Corey Politte**, **April Pounders**, **Olivia Pounders**, **Leslie Reed** (cousin of Christy Wall), **Novene Robertson**, **Marty Stillman** guillain barre' (father of Ja Lyn Ormon); **Jackie Sweat** heart patient (aunt of Alyce Jennings), **Brad Sloan** (MS), **Donald Wilson** (diabetes), **Dixie White** ,**Clemmer/Davis families**;

Shut-Ins: Kathy Dye, Ernestine Dye, J.L. Eaton, Joe Reed, Rex & Jennie Bell

Nursing Home: Majeane Dillard (mother of Dean Dillard), Lucille Gibson, Sue Marques, Sue Stroud, Bobbi Jean BoBo

Military List: Derek Bradley, Zakaria Bradley, Anderson Parks, Alex Kraus (grandson of Jerry & Eleta Grimmitt)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



November 21st...Grant Wilson
November 22nd...Ellis Brwon
November 23rd...Betty Young
November 24th...Halei Leahey
November 28th.....Jerry Grimmitt
November 29th.....Amy Martin
November 30th.....Sissy Bullock

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

This coming Wednesday night the 22nd, everyone will meet in the auditorium for a Thanksgiving. Service. There will not be any classes. Please join us for a night of thanksgiving.

THANK YOU TEACHERS

We wish to express our appreciation and prayers to our teachers who have taken the opportunity to teach the upcoming winter quarter, and to thank those who taught the previous 2023 quarters.

ANNUAL MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Annual Men's Breakfast will meet Saturday, December 3rd @ 7:00 A.M in the fellowship building. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

LADIES ANNUAL BRUNCH

- The Ladies Annual Brunch will be on December 9th @ 10:00 a.m. in the annex building. Please bring an one unwrapped toy and finger foods.
- Ladies Tuesday morning bible class will not meet this coming Tuesday, Nov 21st.

NEW PEW BIBLES

We wish to thank our church member for the generous donation of the new pew-bibles. We also, want to thank the Tuesday Ladies Class for the hard work in cleaning and placing the bibles in the pews. Please be mindful in helping to maintain these bibles.

FROM "ELETA'S SHED"

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, **December 3rd**. Eleta Grimmitt has graciously and lovingly quilted a quilt for each child in nursery through 6th grade bible classes. Following our 1st Sunday fellowship meal, the quilts will be on display where each child will have the opportunity to choose their own special quilt. No two quilts are alike. Students, teachers and parents are all encouraged to attend.

THANK YOU

Dear church family, Thank you for all the calls, texts, cards, food, visits, every act of kindness, and especially your prayers during my knee surgery and recovery. You all are very special to me.
Love, Janice Cobb

FAVORITE RECIPES

The Tuesday morning Ladies Class need your help please. We are collecting favorite family recipes for our Recipe Book. If you would like to contribute, please contact Lea Anne Gaillard (662) 668-0282. Thank you.



"THE POWER OF ONE" T-SHIRTS

If you are interested in purchasing a t-shirt, there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please choose short or long sleeve, color, size and quantity. If you have any questions, please see Bonnie Owen.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- "Men's Coffee" each Thursday morning @ 7:00 a.m. at Two Sisters Diner.
- **November 29th - 5th Wednesday Night Singing.**
- **December 3rd - 1st Sunday** Fellowship Meal and E/D/M meeting.
- **December 3rd - Area Wide Youth** meet at West Main in Tupelo..

**Please Remember
Encouragement Cards
in the Pew
in Front of You**

FIRST SERMON OUTLINE

Thankfulness

Psalm 100:4

Tim Dooley

Those Who Live Lives of Thankfulness Are...

1. _____ (Ephesians 5:19-20)
2. Less _____ (Philippians 4:6-7)
3. More _____ (Romans 12:15-16)
4. More _____ (Ephesians 5:15-17)
5. More _____ (Philippians 2:4)
6. Increased _____ Well-Being (1 Timothy 6:10)
7. Fewer _____ Complaints (Hebrews 9:27)
8. _____ Better (Matthew 11:28-30)

NOTES:

SECOND SERMON OUTLINE

Lifted Up

John 3:14-17

Tim Dooley

- I. Salvation Was for _____ Looking to the Serpent (Romans 3:23)
- II. There Would Have Been No _____ (2 Corinthians 6:2)
- III. They Would Have _____ To See (Luke 19:10; Matthew 28:19; Acts 10:24)
- IV. There Was _____ Remedy (John 14:6; Acts 4:12).
- V. It Was Not Necessary to _____, Just Obey (1 Samuel 3:10)
- VI. For Us to Be _____ We Must Continue to Lift Him Up!
 - A. We must lift Him up with our _____.
 - B. We must lift Him up with our _____.
 - C. We must lift Him up with our _____.
 - D. We must lift Him up in _____.

NOTES:

WORSHIP-FIRST SERVICE - 9:00 A.M.

LEAD SINGING.....Richard Jennings
 SONG.....000
 SONG.....000
 SCRIPTURE READING.....Jackson Coggin
 OPENING PRAYER.....Steve Todd
 SONG.....000
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 INVITATION SONG.....000
 LORD'S SUPPER.....Joe Owen, Andy Brown, Kurt Clayton;
 Kevin Simmons, Dillon Clayton, Dane Coggin
 SONG.....000
 OFFERING.....Joe Owen/Kevin Simmons
 SONG.....000
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Thomas Wall

DISMISS TO BIBLE CLASS 10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP-SECOND SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.....Steve Hill
 LEAD SINGING.....Mark Jennings
 OPENING PRAYER.....Phil Young
 SERMON.....Tim Dooley
 CLOSING PRAYER.....Dan Cobb
 USHER.....Matt Jennings/Randy Wall
 LOCK.....Randy Wall
 SECURITY.....Brian Carpenter
 GREETERS.....Kurt & Shelly Clayton

BIBLE STUDY— WEDESDAY, NOVEMBER 22th - 6:30 P.M.

SINGING.....Thomas Wall
 OPENING PRAYER.....Greg Clayton
 DEVOTIONAL.....**THANKSGIVING**
 CLOSING PRAYR.....Tim Dooley

Sunday, November 26th, 2023

Greeters.....Jason & Amy Jennings
 Announcements.....Steve Hill
 Singing.....Phillip Young
 Lord's Supper.....Joe Owen, Andy Brown,
 Kurt Clayton; Kevin Simmons,
 Dillon Clayton, Dane Coggin
 Scripture Reading.....Martin Crotts
 Opening Prayer.....Randy Wall
 Closing Prayer.....Troy Robertson
 Usher.....Matt Jennings/Kevin Simmons
 Lock.....Dan Cobb
 Security.....Greg Clayton

Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.

Singing.....Richard Jennings
 Opening Prayer.....Ricky Adams
 Closing Prayer.....Mike Brown

Wednesday, November 29nd 2023

Singing.....**5TH WEDNESDAY NIGHT**
 Opening Prayer.....Andy Clemmer
 Devotional.....Bill Botts
 Closing Prayer.....Tim Dye

Sunday, December 3rd, 2023

Greeters.....
 Announcements.....
 Singing.....
 Lord's Supper.....

Scripture Reading.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Closing Prayer.....
 Usher.....
 Lock.....
 Security.....

Sunday Second Service 11:00 a.m.

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Closing Prayer.....

Wednesday, December 6th, 2023

Singing.....
 Opening Prayer.....
 Devotional.....Tim Dooley
 Closing Prayer.....

What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17)
2. Believe the Gospel (Acts 15:7)
3. Repent of Sins (Acts 3:19)
4. Confess Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37)
5. Be Baptized for the Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38)
6. Live Faithful (Revelation 2:10)

OUR RECORD

Week of 11/12/2023

Sunday School.....114 (2)
 Sunday 1st Service.....133 (12)
 Sunday 2nd Service.....118 (4)
 Wednesday.....99 (0)
 *(Online)
 Contribution.....\$6,559.50
 Budget.....\$5,124.00

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