

**Sunday
October 16, 2016**

Order of Worship

Please Silence All Mobile Devices

Welcome **Jerry Ashley**
(Members And Visitors Please Sign Attendance Cards)

Opening Prayer **Les Jackson**

Song Leader **Mark Brown**

Song # 681 **Dear Lord and Father of Mankind**

Song # 233 **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

Song # 193 **Christ, We Do All Adore Thee**

Scripture Reader **Wade Harris**

Scriptures **John 12:27-32**

Lord's Supper

<u>Ricky Wright</u>	<u>Darren Stinson</u>
David Wrye	L.A. Brown
Les Kirby	Tommy Young
Sloan Bowman	Randall Pendergrass

Ages 3-8 Dismiss To Children's Bible Time

Song # 600 **O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee**

Sermon **Charles Baugh**

Invitation # 687 **Prince of Peace! Control My Will**

Closing # 430 **My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less**

Closing Prayer **Todd Eubanks**

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From Helpless To Hopeful

**I. Do You Want
To Be Made Well?**

II. Well Walking

III. True Peace

The Light Bearer

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Bible Class 9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Bible Study 6:30 P.M.

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Thursday 10:00 A.M.
(September through April)

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Political Will vs. Religion... in America

I am indebted to one of our sisters who passed along an article concerning this very issue last week. It concerned a speech by one of our current Presidential candidates last year:

“Far too many women are still denied critical access to reproductive health care... Laws have to be backed up with resources and political will. And deep seated cultural codes, religious beliefs and structural biases have to be changed.”

For those of you not in the know, “reproductive health care” is a code word for “abortion.” So, America needs to summon the political will to change our religious beliefs? Sadly enough, there’s a long history of just that in this country, and it’s getting far worse. How well has it worked out for us?

The Puritans we remember at Thanksgiving were famously intolerant. Early Boston’s laws banned any practice other than Puritan religion. Four Quakers were hung in the 1660’s for persisting in their faith. And in the lifetime of many of you, the religion of a presidential candidate was a major issue with many people saying that he’d be a slave to the Vatican. (JFK was elected anyway.)

There are many of our principles that powerful people in America would like to change. They want us to drop our objections to abortion, homosexuality, living together outside marriage, same-sex marriage, and legalization of dangerous drugs. Our insistence on being responsible for your actions, for supporting yourself, caring for your children and supervising their education rankles with them.

But our determination to worship and serve God – and Him only - must be what bothers them the most. It leaves us no room for apathy, our own endless amusement, or going along silently in surrender to those who think they know better than our Creator. And, of course, we need only endure.

Political things – and political creatures - will come to an end. Every knee will bow (Romans 14:11). Justice will be done for every one of the lives ended by abortion and for every evil law.

The motto we print on our money is “In God we trust.” Let’s live like we mean it.

“I will punish the world for its evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud, and lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.” –God, in Isaiah 13:11

Jon Wilson

5th Sunday Special Contribution

Disaster in Haiti: We have received several emails from Joe Worndle informing us of the damage done to Haiti during hurricane Matthew. Over 835 people lost their lives during the storm, including 8 members of the church. The church building at Rousseau was totally destroyed. There have been reports that cholera has already claimed some victims. The need is great and Joe and his team have come up with a plan to address the situation:

“First, we want to get water and food to the various locations where the need is most urgent, helping our folks and their families first, but extending a helping hand to others as well. Second, we need to repair all of our church buildings (the damage is mainly loss of the roofs). This will provide shelters and a place to sleep for those who are homeless now. We are still waiting for additional reports concerning our churches in remote areas, but we have reports that at least 25 of our church buildings are damaged so far. Third, we want to help to rebuild the homes of elderly members to give them some comfort and security. Fourth, help our preachers and their families to rebuild as they are leaders and need a home base to carry out their duties. Fifth, help the many churches spiritually and help them to recover emotionally from this horrible tragedy, (I have been in no less than 11 hurricanes, and I assure you it is a terrifying experience even in a solid house). Our TIMOTHY TEAMS will go from church to church offering their services. We have at least ten TEAMS with 10-12 members who have been well trained in disaster (quick) response and many report that international organizations (AID and NEWS corps.) rely on THEIR reports.” **Joe Worndle**

Please consider doubling your normal contribution **October 30th** as we plan to make a minimum donation of **\$10,000** to help with disaster relief for destruction done to Haiti by hurricane Matthew. Any additional funds collected that day will go towards making up shortfalls from our regular budget. **The Elders**

Fall Family Retreat - October 21-23

Money is due TODAY - Give to Dana Hargis

Bring your own lawn chair and a dessert for Friday night. Plan to arrive between **6:30 and 7:30 Friday night**. Dinner will not be served Friday, just snacks.



BROOKDALE (formerly Sterling House)
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2:00 P.M.
Speaker Charles Baugh
Song Leader and Communion Bill Bennett

Dates to Remember

October 21-23..... Fall Family Retreat
October 29..... Trunk or Treat
October 30..... “We Connect”
November 12..... Reception/Ray Frizzell/Shackle Island
November 24..... Thanksgiving Day
December 10..... Breakfast With Santa

Contribution October 9
Weekly Contribution Goal.....\$13,000
Contribution.....\$9,767



Sunday Morning Ladies' Bible Class

This class resumes **next Sunday, October 23**, in the **Multipurpose Room** taught by **Sandra Shivers**.

Lads to Leaders

Lad's Class meets **tonight at 6:00 p.m.** in the **Multipurpose Room**. This class is for ages 5 and up. We hope to see you there.



Saturday, October 29, at 4:00 p.m. Yummy hot dogs provided. Entire congregation is invited to attend. A costume parade and a prize for the best decorated car trunk at Trunk or Treat! Candy, crafts, hay ride, photo booth and other spooky activities!

Youth Happenings

SNAC is **tonight!** Everyone bring your favorite finger foods to share.

The **deadline** to sign up for EYC is **November 6**. More info concerning EYC, as well as other Youth Rallies, is on the sign-up sheets located in the teen hallway.

OCTOBER PARKING LOT SECURITY		
Billy Cox	Bill Denton	Wendell Elrod
PRAYER LEADERS		
Sunday Night Opening.....	Mark Williams	
Sunday Night Closing.....	Charlie Taylor	
Wednesday Night Opening.....	Joe Roberts	
OPENING AND CLOSING BUILDING		
Wendell Elrod		
Sunday, October 16		Wednesday, October 19
ELDER ON CALL		
October.....		Carl Minchey

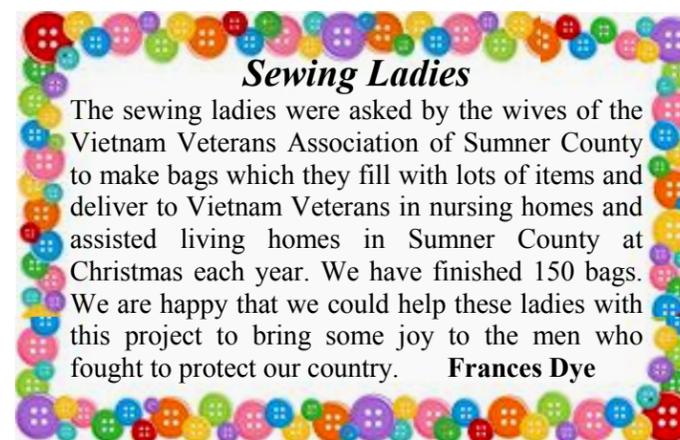
Sick List

Please pray for these individuals and their families.

To view the **Sick List** on the website, go to the **MEMBERS** tab and log in. If you are not a registered member, there are instructions for first time users.



New Address
Linda Liggins
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The sewing ladies were asked by the wives of the Vietnam Veterans Association of Sumner County to make bags which they fill with lots of items and deliver to Vietnam Veterans in nursing homes and assisted living homes in Sumner County at Christmas each year. We have finished 150 bags. We are happy that we could help these ladies with this project to bring some joy to the men who fought to protect our country. **Frances Dye**

Note of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, visits and calls during Dalen's sickness and death. Thanks to the Zone for the delicious meal served to our family after the funeral. Your donation to the American Diabetes Association in honor of Dalen is appreciated. He would have been happy knowing that he was helping someone. God bless, **Jimmy and Shirley Smith and Family**

A special thank you to everyone for the kindness shown to me and my family at the passing of my brother, Jerry. The cards, calls, visits, prayers and flowers were much appreciated. **Jim and Joyce Scott and Family**

WEEK OF OCTOBER 9	
Bible Class	173
Morning Worship.....	260
Evening Worship.....	108
Wednesday Bible Study	111
Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Class	15

What Do You Smell Like?

What do you smell like? I'm sure that's not a question you expected to read. This is a thought I've shared before, but I think it's worth reminding. Smell is a powerful sense. The smell of fresh baked cookies can make you hungry. The smell of a skunk can repulse you and make you stay away. The smell of smoke can alert you to danger and lead you to action. Smell can also be a powerful memory trigger. A memory triggered by smell is also known as an *olfactory memory*. Something simple can trigger a memory, like freshly cut grass reminding you of the summers in high school that you used to mow yards for money.

For me, I have a bit of an odd olfactory trigger. After a summer rain, the smell of hot, wet concrete makes me think of the band Switchfoot. In the summer of 2004 it rained for the majority of the week at Senior Camp. We were forced indoors for most of the time, and as anyone who has visited camp knows, music is a priority when in the gym. Switchfoot had recently released an album and we played it *constantly* that week, especially the songs Dare You to Move and Meant to Live. Now, whenever I smell that familiar smell of recently rained-on hot summer concrete, these songs will pop in my head. And, strangely enough, vice versa. Either of these songs could play on the radio and my brain would make the connection back to that hot rainy week of camp. Memory is a powerful, powerful thing.

Corinthians 2:14 refers to the "triumphal procession" and how the "fragrance of the knowledge of Christ" spreads. In Roman times, after a victory on the battlefield the soldiers would parade through the streets. Throughout this procession would be incense holders. This fragrance would drift through the city and into people's homes. Therefore if you smelled the incense, you knew that the battle had been won. It was the smell of victory.

What do you smell like? I obviously don't mean your literal smell, but rather the "odor" that you are putting off to those around you. Do you smell like Christ or something different? What are your peers reminded of when you are around? Are your actions, words, and attitude reflective of what Christ wants of us, or is it smell you maybe wouldn't or shouldn't be proud of? So I challenge you to "smell yourself." Hopefully you smell like true victory, the fragrance of Christ.

Blake Tucker

Stuffing the Stage

In time for the holidays we will stuff the stage in the auditorium with nonperishable food items. Please begin bringing your donation items **next Sunday, October 23**. Donation bins are in several locations throughout the building. We begin stuffing the stage on **November 13**.

