9:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Chris Randolph
Welcome – Michael Claxton
Song – 10,000 Reasons
Song – Had It Not Been the Lord
Song – Father
Prayer – Kyle Citty
Scripture – Matt 18:21-35 – Harley Halliburton
Song – How Deep the Father's Love
Communion & Offering – Ronald Johnson
Song – He Gave Me a Song
Children's Worship Dismissed
"Forgive One Another" – Noel Whitlock
Song – Amazing Grace
Shepherd's Prayer – Darren Mathews

FINANCES 4/4/2021

Budget for 4/4/2021.....$51,500.00
Giving for 4/4/2021.....$63,831.25
Budget through Week 31.....$1,455,096.00
Giving through Week 31.....$1,475,607.69

ATTENDANCE 4/4/2021

9:00 Worship— 778/ 11:00 Worship—167
Bible Classes —583/ Children's Worship — 45
Worship 5:00 p.m. — 134/ Worship 7:15 p.m. —dismissed

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April 11, 2021

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Intentionally connected to God, His Word, His world, and to each other.

Relationships, Forgiveness, and God's Final Word

Last summer the Faithful Families' class spent several weeks on Zoom improving our basic communication skills to help prevent or overcome common relationship problems. We found that being reasonably assertive in stating your own thoughts and feelings, and listening actively to others can solve many potential problems. But maybe the toughest problem, resolving conflict, often depends on granting and accepting forgiveness.

In Genesis 50:20, Joseph said to his brothers, "You meant to do me harm, but God meant it for good." And with those 12 words, Joseph forgave his brothers for attempted murder and enslavement. What inspired him to do this? Simply his view that no harm to him—intended or unintended—could prevent the good that God had planned for him.

Do YOU believe that? Do you believe that God has good planned for you? Remember Romans 8:28? You should, because it reveals the ultimate resolution of any conflict: "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." That means that no evil can cause lasting harm, since God has the final word; and his final word is good.

When we realize that nothing evil can stop God's good, we are inspired to live, forgive, and move on. Like Esau, we can accept the lesser inheritance. Like David, we can pass up our advantage over the sleeping foe. Like Jesus, we can wash the feet of a traitor and pray for the accomplice, saying, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." We can turn the other cheek, walk the second mile, and even give up our last outer garment.

Let's make it our mission this week to restore broken relationships by asserting ourselves, actively listening, resolving conflicts, and, when necessary, practicing forgiveness. After all, if Joseph could forgive his brothers for attempted murder and if Jesus could pardon the soldiers for actual murder, how much more ought we to be willing to forgive one another for lesser evil deeds, whether intended or unintended? For after evil has done its worst, God gets to have the final word. And O how good is God's final word for us.

Jordan Guy

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Congratulations to the Class of 2021! We are honored to love and serve these amazing students. We plan to honor these graduates on Sunday, April 25, during the 9:00 a.m. service and celebrate with a reception in the Family Room following Bible classes. We want to encourage the church family to bless these students with notes of encouragement, gift cards, or other appropriate tokens of your well-wishes. For the next few weeks, you may place your gifts in laundry bags provided in the Family Room.



The Class of 2021: Maryella Baker, Annie Behel, Chase Brown, Haydn Corker, Hunter Corker, Ian Daughety, Emma Day, Adrian Dominguez, Lydia Fleener, J D Glenn, Anna Goode, Annabeth Hood, Aubrey Jones, John Luke McGalliard, Jeffrey Mercer, Josie Montgomery, Sienna Patten, Greg Supratman, Theo Westbrook, Shelby Wilson.

PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayers:

Taunya Yeager chemo treatments; Karolyn Denney, mother of **Richard Denney**, is on hospice care.

WEDDING SHOWER

Please join us for a bridal shower honoring Anneka Looney, bride-elect of **Jacob Ramsey**, Sunday, April 25, from 2:00-3:30 p.m., at the home of **Jeanne Burks**, 913 Golf View Drive. Jacob is the son of **Troy & Cheri Ramsey**. Selections: Wal-Mart, Bed Bath & Beyond, REI Co-op and The Boutique. Gifts early please.



5:00 P.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Harold Valentine

Welcome – Jeff Montgomery

Song – Rise Up, O Men of God

Song – Love Divine

Prayer – Jim Randolph

Song – Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

Song – Kneel at the Cross

“Infinite Redeemer” – Noel Whitlock

Song – In Christ Alone

Lord’s Supper in Room 100

Song – To Christ Be True

Closing Prayer – Clay Pennington

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood Nursing & Rehab: **Ellen Brown** 104.
Hickory Heights: LR: **Larry Heusel.**
Oakdale: **Rick Boutell** 117.
Providence: **Laura Smith.**
The House of Three: LR: **Bill Diles**.
The Crossing at Riverside: **Mable Carpenter** 309; **Louise Ganus**; **Eloise Muncy** 115B; **Joe Hurd’s** mother, Patsy Hurd 216A; **Sharon Manor’s** mother, Opal Reynolds 114.



CREATIVE CONNECTIONS EVENT



It's not too late to register for our Creative Connections event. Join us THIS Sunday, 2:30-4:00 p.m., in the Family Room for "**Gardening with Liz**." Registration required.
Also, save the date for our rescheduled Creative Connections event on cooking with Bethany Palmer, Sunday, April 18.

ONE ANOTHER: CONNECTING TO EACH OTHER

Today's sermon continues Noel's series designed to highlight the last key part of our Mission Statement: "Intentionally connected . . . to each other."

April 11	Forgive One Another
April 18	Serve One Another

These sermons are part of an effort to bring attention to the "Vision for the Road Ahead," our five-year plan to help us become more effective, inspired workers for the Lord, and will be followed by other series on major components of our mission. Please plan to be here in person for these lessons, or listen online. In either case don't forget to tell others about the series.

SERVICE TIMES

Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. | Worship

10:15 a.m. | Bible Class

11:00 a.m. | Worship

5:00 p.m. | Worship



Service Times

ELDERS MEETING SUMMARY FOR MARCH 2021

This month the elders

- Prayed for specific needs in the church family;
- Prayed specifically to have God help us reach the lost, locally and around the world, and to thank God for our young families and their children and ask Him to send us more;
- Held both virtual and in-person meetings of the elders;
- Learned about the current planning for Lads to Leaders and their upcoming events;
- Started planning for having the elders sign the Bibles for the graduating seniors for both 2020 and 2021;
- Learned that the instructions for online giving would be included during the contribution period in the worship service;
- Approved the interns from the college ministry to attend the April 7 elders meeting and the ministry breakout session to follow;
- Approved allowing Little Rock Pregnancy Center van to park on the church parking lot one day per month;
- Heard report that the Covid-19 Task Force approved using only one row of separation in the balcony so more attendees could be accommodated;
- Learned that Dan Newsom was returning to active service as an elder on April 1;
- Learned of several families from other congregations who have been visiting the college congregation;
- Clarified that all elders could review any of the employee performance review reports;
- Agreed to have one elders-only session per each elder chair's term;
- Approved the updated employee job descriptions and organizational chart;
- Agreed to have Brett Watson review the employee agreement;
- Approved having Brett Watson repeat the same prayer in a worship service that he offered for our congressional leaders during the elders meeting.

COVID-19 UPDATE

We now have open seating on every row in two sections of the auditorium. These two sections are located on the east side of the first floor. This is the section closest to the Family Room. If you choose to sit in these sections, please keep a minimum of three (3) feet of physical distance between family units. This seating arrangement may work best for the following people:

- those who have received the COVID vaccine
- those who have recovered from COVID
- those who feel comfortable sitting in this area

In other sections of the auditorium, including the balcony, seating is only be available on every other row.

Face masks are still required for everyone (kindergarten and above) while attending worship services and Bible classes.

AREA SHOWER

Everyone is invited to a wedding shower honoring Madison (Matthews) Carter & Jonathan Carter on April 25, in the small fellowship room at the West Side Church of Christ, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. They are registered at Amazon, Target and the Boutique. Madison is the daughter of Chris & Cyndi Matthews.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Coach **Brad Francis** for being named Arkansas Democrat-Gazette's Boys Basketball Coach of the Year!