9:00 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – Tom Ritchie
Welcome – Dan Newsom
Prayer Blessing for Phillips Family – Gordon Hogan
Song Medley – For the Beauty of the Earth
Father of Mercies
A Shield About Me
Prayer – Charles Underwood
Scripture – Psalm 105:1-5 – Austin Dunning
Song – Worthy is the Lamb
Communion & Offering – Steven Yeakley
Song – Count Your Blessings
"Give Thanks for All the Lord has Done" – Noel Whitlock
Song – Give Thanks
Shepherd's Prayer – Mike Justus

5:00 P.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Song Leader – David Cole
Welcome – Noel Whitlock
Song – Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing
Song – Thank You Lord
Song – God Is So Good
Prayer – Dale Manor
Song – Give Thanks
Song – I Will Enter His Gates
Scripture – Luke 17:11-19 – Noel Whitlock
"When We Are Grateful" – Howard Norton
Song – The Lord Has Been Mindful of Me
(Lord's Supper is served in Room 100)
Prayer – Milo Hadwin

LAST WEEK

11/15/2020:
8:00 Worship— 272 / 11:00 Worship — 257
Bible Classes —233/ Children's Worship — dismissed
Worship 5:00 p.m. — 116/ Worship 7:15 p.m. —dismissed

FINANCES

Budget for 11/15/2020.....$42,993.00
Giving for 11/15/2020.....$45,352.00
Budget through Week 11.....$517,316.00
Giving through Week 11.....$486,693.65

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November 22, 2020

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LOST AND FOUND: CONNECTING WITH EACH OTHER THROUGH STORIES

(Last in a series of articles about the mission statement of the College Church of Christ)
Intentionally #connected to God, His Word, His world and to each other

Barbara's engagement ring threads throughout our story. From the excitement of selecting "the Perfect Diamond Ring" to the joyful celebration when Barbara accepted the symbol of our pledge to be together for life, we created a wonderful memory!

I also remember the day when I was in graduate school, and with tear-filled eyes, Barbara told me that the ring was lost. We looked everywhere but, sadly, they were nowhere to be found.

At Christmas that year, Barbara's eyes filled with tears of joy when her gift was a simple gold ring. It was not the "perfect ring," but was equally cherished as our pledge of a life together.

Some years later as I was packing to leave graduate school, I heard rattling inside a miniature replica of a doctor's office, one of several pieces that we had acquired as a reminder of viewing the movie Mary Poppins on our honeymoon. The wooden doctor came in and out of his office to the tune of "Just a spoonful of sugar makes the medicine go down," a song now deeply embedded in our story. I shook the replica again and heard the loose part rolling around. I gave it one more good shake, and the "perfect diamond ring" fell out into my hand. What had been lost was found! Imagine the celebration!

This story is dear to Barbara and me, a reminder of a ring, a pledge, and a life of stories that we made together and that help hold us together.

As Christians, our basic connection to each other is a story: A Father gave His Son to save each of us. He gave us His Word. He gave us a world to live in. He gives us each other to create stories together. When we share stories, we connect with each other. When we tell others God's story, we connect them to Him, His Word, and His church.

As we bring 2020 to a close and venture into 2021, let's connect with each other in a pledge to share God's story with the world. The ending never gets old: What has been lost is found! Imagine the celebration!

Roy Barnes

NOTES FROM NOEL

This Sunday, November 22, begins a worship schedule that will continue through the holidays (see below). We will resume the regular worship schedule on Sunday, January 17.

Our annual Coat Drive was Saturday, November 15. I want to thank everyone who donated winter coats. With colder weather on the way, the folks keeping warm in their new garments will remember the kindness of College Church members.

Each year we help families have a happier Christmas through the Holiday Gift Outreach. Thanks to your generosity, College Church will provide Christmas for 200 children. We still have families who need to be adopted, so please join our effort. Stop by the table in the Welcome Center or contact the Original Rock House for more information.

Great Commission Sunday contributions stand at $242,700!! And a lot of that came in after the announcement that we had already exceeded our goal! This abundant giving has enabled us to send $15,000 so far to victims of Hurricane Eta in Honduras and Nicaragua. Thanks to all who give so generously and pray so fervently for the work of College Church!

COVID numbers are increasing around the country and in Arkansas. I remind those who worship "in person" on Sundays to keep your masks on at all times, except while partaking of the Lord's Supper. Otherwise, no exceptions, even for singing. It is important that we each respect the wellbeing of our brothers and sisters. If you are unable to wear your mask for long periods, please join us online through our Facebook live stream.

Due to continued COVID concerns, the annual Thanksgiving Singing at the West Side congregation and the end-of-year service at College Church are both cancelled.

The church office will be closed Wednesday through Friday this week, November 25-27. On behalf of all the church staff, we are grateful to be a part of College Church! From our families to yours, we wish each of you a happy Thanksgiving, and we want you to know we love you and thank God for your presence in our lives.



HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

There will be ONE 9:00 a.m. service November 22-January 10. Bible class will be at 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, December 23: NO class
Sunday, December 27: ONE 9:00 a.m. service; NO Bible class
Wednesday, December 30: NO class

Due to the holidays, there will not be a church bulletin on November 29, December 27 and January 3.

ORIGINAL ROCK HOUSE: END-OF-SEMESTER REFLECTIONS

The Original Rock House said goodbye to Harding students this week, and it's an appropriate time to underscore the value of that ministry.

As we know, **Todd & Debbie Gentry** and their student interns faced a difficult semester. The pandemic caused cancellations and changed venues. Most activities had to be done off campus. But as Todd says, "students were reached, baptisms happened, and the community was served," including a scaled-down "Day of Service" in October.

If you need a refresher course in exactly what Rock House does, go to the church website to view a 2018 video introduction. It features four interns Carson Gentry and Carlee-Freeman Gentry, who have since married, graduated, and are elementary school teachers in Texas, and Daylan Moore, who is working with the Pleasant Valley Church of Christ in Little Rock while pursuing a masters in ministry at HU.

The fourth intern, newly married Kayla Stites-Fitzhugh, is still with the program and was joined this semester by Max Aubel, Stone Nix, Kelsey Smith, Anna Sanders, and **Anna Westbrook**.

Our video focuses on the interns because they are the faces of the program, but their energy, evident on-screen, is communicated to hundreds of fellow students every year.

Those faces may have changed since 2018, but the ministry's mission of fostering leadership and service remains vital in students on campus and in graduates throughout the world.

As the ministry, as well as university staff and students, prepare for a spring semester fraught with uncertainty, we say to them: may God bless you with the knowledge that He "will watch over your coming and going, both now and forever" Psalm 121:8) .

Link to Video



Left to right: Stone Nix, Kelsey Smith, Anna Sanders, McCartney Paul (no longer with RH), Kayla Fitzhugh, Anna Westbrook.

HOLIDAY GIFT OUTREACH



Thank you to everyone who has given to the coat drive. Over 300 coats were given away to those in need. Now is the time to adopt our families for the Holiday Gift Outreach. We will provide Christmas for 66 families and 200 children this year. Please pray for these families and consider giving to these in need.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Briarwood Nursing & Rehab: **Ellen Brown** 104.
The House of Three: LR: **Bill Diles**.
The Crossing at Riverside: **Mable Carpenter** 309; **Louise Ganus**; **Eloise Muncy** 317B; **Margaret Parker** 212A; **Joe Hurd's** mother, Patsy Hurd 216A; **Sharon Manor's** father, Harvie Reynolds 105; **Sharon Manor's** mother, Opal Reynolds 114; **Danny & Mike Wood's** mother, Frances Wood 115A.
Oakdale: **Carolyn Boutell** 117; **Rick Boutell** 117.
Providence: **Laura Smith** 308.
Searcy Healthcare: **Clarene Keesling** 82.
Hickory Heights: LR: **Larry Heusel**

PRAYER & PRAISE

Prayers:
Rick and Carolyn Boutell request prayers for sickness; **Arthur Mock** will have back surgery Monday, November 23, at St. Vincent North; **Annabelle Moser** is in rehab at The Crossing; **Edwin Myers** is in St. Vincent hospital.

Birth:
Jim & Mary Brown announce the birth of a great-granddaughter, Phoebe Colleen Marie Brown, born November 14. She weighed 9 lbs, 1 oz. She is the daughter of Brady, granddaughter of Barry, and sister of T.J.

Death:
Lottie Nichols passed away on Saturday, November 14. There was a graveside service on Friday, November 20.

Henry Shipp, a Gospel preacher for over 65 years, father of **David Shipp** and **Elaine Justus**, grandfather of **Sarah Shipp**, **Andy Justus** and **Ali Hutcherson**, great-grandfather of Bonnie, Annabelle, Ethan, Colbie, Kenzie, and Michael passed away Thursday, November 12. Services were Sunday, November 15 in Searcy. His family is grateful for the kind expressions of sympathy from this church family.

OFFICE HOURS

The church office will be closed Wednesday, November 25-Friday, November 27.



THANK YOU

Thank you for the pretty plant you sent when Mama passed away. Thank you so much for the expressions of sympathy that were shown to me and my family. The cards and prayers were a great source of comfort. The ladies who prepared the tables and served the family were very much appreciated. Thank you again for your thoughtfulness. In Christian love,

Joe & Joy Jernigan

We have been so blessed by so many of you during this difficult time. You have truly been the hands, feet, ears, and words of Christ and His love to us the past few weeks. My words cannot express how truly grateful we are to be surrounded by so many Godly people. Thank you for all your love and prayers.

Austen, Chelsie & Caylor Grate

SHOWERS

Everyone is invited to congratulate newlyweds **Matt** & Tasha Vandever in the Welcome Center as you exit the building TODAY, immediately following classes. A money tree and a basket for gift cards and greeting cards will be available. Many of you know Matt from Kroger as well as College Church. Gifts can be dropped off early to the church office. Questions: call **Nancy O'Brien** at 230-2858. All COVID restrictions apply.

You are invited to a drive-by Wedding Shower celebrating **Ethan Wood** and Christin Anderson Sunday, November 29, 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the College Church Welcome center. Ethan is the son of **Michael & Jill Wood**, grandson of **Danny & Sue Ann Wood** and Van & Jean Tate. Christin is the daughter of Terri Burkett and Todd Anderson, granddaughter of Dee DeLoach and Curtis & Carolyn Anderson. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath, and Beyond, Amazon, Williams-Sonoma, and The Boutique. Gifts early, if convenient, to College Church, Harding University Admissions Office, or 2403 Valley Dr., home of **Paula Langston**.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Christyn Henderson**, who teaches 3rd grade at McRae Elementary. She was named Teacher of the Year by the Searcy Public Schools! Way to go Christyn!



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