

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Romans 15:7

September 13, 2020

WELCOME!

4 Simple Steps to Improve Your Worship

For nearly anyone, worship can become a bit routine at times. We know it is invaluable, but we are human; thus, we struggle at times to stay truly engaged and thoughtful throughout worship.

Some people think that it would take a major change to get out of the rut or to make worship more meaningful. Tragically, some stop coming. Just as tragically, some think they must change God's pattern for worship and have bands, light shows, and more just to enhance the experience.

There are far simpler steps that each person can take to improve worship for themselves, while making certain they still worship "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24).

1 - Prepare beforehand. By taking 5 or 10 minutes on Saturday night to sing a song and pray, our mind is headed in the right direction. Laying out clothes in advance so that the Sunday morning rush is less crazy. On the way to the building, listen to some worship music or talk about the activities you'll soon be enjoying! Just this one step, I promise, will revolutionize your worship.

2 - Arrive on time (or a little early). If you are constantly late, you have missed a critical part of worship and you spend the rest of your time playing catch-up in your mind. If you are present on time, you've had a chance to settle in and your mind is fresh and ready to worship from the first moment.

3 - Sit closer to the front. It is a whole different world! It's not a sin to sit in the back, by definition, someone will always be "in the back". If you are in a rut, you will be amazed by how much easier it is to stay focused if you move up a few rows. Just this change in scenery is enough to trigger your mind to be more focused.

4 - Remember that God is your Audience. In the end, your goal is to give your best for Him, not just to see what you can get out of worship time.

"Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness." Psalm 29:2b

Borrowed

PRAYER LIST*
MEMBERS

- Margie Rhodes
- Drew Meulenberg
- Bonnie Thompson
- Bonnie Stephens
- Maria Reategui
- Maggie Rodriguez
- Elvis Durity
- Asbill Family
- Marjorie Connor
- David & Della Flagg
- Blake Family
- Carla Sledge
- Harty Family
- Blitch Family
- Sue Macon
- Perez Family
- Donna Strong
- Lee & Linda Sutton
- Di Menoher
- Warren & Brenda Werntz
- Ron Restivo
- George Fetzer

NURSING HOME / SHUT-INS

- June McCauley
- Wayne & Bonnie Bucy

FAMILY & FRIENDS

- Jon Sauer
- Laurie & Danny Osborne
- Maddie Whitlock
- Darinda Paul
- Joe & Marie Lennon's son
- Mary Ryder
- Jack Dehanas
- Linda Sutton grandson Matt & great granddaughter Jordan
- John Diniro
- John Wallace's sister
- George Ballard
- Marsha Hampton
- Marco Moros
- John David & Nancy Ottway
- Bob Stafford
- Judy Sauer's g-daughter, Meaghan
- John Werntz Sally Lupton
- Jerry Rimmer Kasey Dudley
- Pam Richey Larry Brown
- Brooke Ruppel

Order of Worship

September 13, 2020

Call to Worship: Dennis Coleman
"Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"

Welcome: Barry Brown
"Faithful Love"
"Abide with Me"

Prayer: Larry Menoher
"Only a Holy God"
"Highly Exalted"

Communion

Leader: Barry Brown
1 Corinthians 10:15-17
2 Corinthians 9:6-7
"Behold Our God"
"Living By Faith"

Message: Russ Bone

Invitation:
"All to Jesus, I Surrender"

Song As We Enter the Mission Field:
"Build Your Kingdom Here"

Closing Prayer: Tom Wriggins

We will continue to observe Communion every week. Due to the current health concerns, the communion bread has been placed into individual serving cups. Gluten Free communion has been placed within the very center ring of each tray.

Future Events

Sept 16th: Ladies Class via Zoom @ 6PM.
Sept 16th: Live Stream Resumes - Bible Study at 6:30PM
Every Friday: Communion pick up - Building - 11AM - 5PM
Every Sunday: Live Stream Worship at 10:00 AM
Oct 7th: Bible Study resumes at 6:30PM

MILITARY

Christopher Lemay Lee Strong
Darrell Martin Casandra Prokop

GIVING & ATTENDANCE
WEEK ENDED Sept 6, 2020

Weekly Actual	\$8,085
Weekly Budget	7,000
Weekly Variance	\$ 1,085
4 Week Average Variance	\$ <488 >
Attendance in Building	61
Attendance via views online:	220
Attendance Wednesday online:	N/A

PRAYER UPDATES

- Darinda Paul, June McCauley, Elvis Durity, & Scott Blake continue to have health challenges.
- Pray for the families affected by COVID-19. This time has taken its toll on everyone physically, financially, emotionally, and spiritually.
- Prayers go out to those affected by the recent hurricanes.
- Please keep Ron Restivo in your prayers. He is still in a very serious health situation.
- George Fetzer is having heart issues. Surgery may be needed.
- Lyle Asbill will be traveling back this week to help Carrie with the last of the packing before the movers arrive later this week.
- Meaghan Sauer's surgery will be Sept. 24th in Macon, GA. She will have a rod placed in each hip to connect the hip with her leg bone enabling the leg to bend correctly and allowing Meaghan to walk more easily. The family greatly appreciates your prayers.
- Angels in heaven were rejoicing on Friday afternoon when Barry Brown had the opportunity to baptize a friend of an out of town member of the Lord's church. After meeting and studying with Josh (I don't have last name), Josh obeyed the gospel and was baptized. Pray for our new brother. in Christ as he begins his new life.

Welcome!

Beginning today, Dr. Russell Bone will be serving as our interim preacher. He plans to be with us for most of November. Some of you already know Russ and Fran while others might remember him from a preaching visit he made here a few years ago. We certainly want to make he and his lovely wife feel welcome here as he serves our church in this capacity.

Exciting Bible Study News - Correction

We are going to resume our Wednesday Evening Bible Study at the building on Wednesday, October 7th at 6:30PM. We will have our Bible Study *inside* the building and will follow the same mask guidelines as Sunday until they are lifted. Anyone interested in joining a group Bible study is welcome! If you have any questions please reach out to Scott Otey.

Deepest Condolences

We extend our deepest condolences to the Blitch & Perez families. Dolly Blitch passed last Sunday morning and Wilda Perez passed on Monday night. Cards for the families may be sent to:

- Doug Blitch - 3857 17th Ave. S.W - Naples, FL 34117
- Randy Blitch - 4272 13th Ave. S.W. - Naples, FL 34117
- JC Perez - 385 Stella Maris Drive N Unit 2709 - Naples, FL 34114

As information becomes available about their respective services, we will let you know.

Ladies Class Starting Soon!

Our next book is: ID'd - Your God-Given Identity in Christ by Debra Stephens. You do not need a book in order to participate in class, however, if you'd like to purchase a book, please contact Carla Sledge, Diane Otey, or Kathleen Brown. Books are available today. Class will resume via Zoom this Wednesday at 6PM!. For a Zoom invitation, please let Carla, Diane, or Kathleen know you want to participate.

Giving

There will continue to be four ways to make your donation:

- 1 - **Online** through Givelify app.
- 2 - **Mail** a check to the building - 12760 Livingston Road, 34105
- 3 - **Drop** a check or cash in an envelope (with your name) into the church's locked mailbox. It is the middle one out front.
- 4 - **Give** it to the person who brings communion to you.

Birthday's & Anniversaries

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| 16 - Susan Shelly | 23 - George Fetzer |
| 17 - Della Flagg | 24 - Fran Bone |
| 19 - Xenia Fetzer | 25 Amanda Glazier |
| 19 - Kathleen Brown | 28 - Brenda Martin |
| 20 - Susan Meulenberg | 28 - John Cipolla |
| 22 - Phil & Cindy Osborne | 30 - Anne Wright |

SHEPHERDS

Terry Billingsby 423-943-8999
 Barry Brown: 239-777-7248
 Ben Gyimah: 239-449-6339
 Claude Haynes: 239-450-0715
 Scott Otey 239-253-9640
 Hugh Travis 239-450-1445

STAFF

Russ Bone: Interim Minister
 Kathleen Brown: Office Admin
 Zak Dempsey: Youth Minister

DEACONS

Jeff Blake Adult Education
 Alan Glazier Worship
 Glenn Macon Youth
 Larry Menoher Building / Grounds
 Drew Meulenberg Finance
 Marc Rimmer Benevolence
 Tom Wriggins Worship

MINISTRY LEADERS

Dennis Coleman Visitation
 Haris Domond Social Media &
 Advertising
 George Fetzer Security
 David Wakeland Involvement

USA MISSIONS

Roberto Escobar, Sr. [Naples]
 Christian Home & Bible School
 Mauricio Yegros [Coral Springs]

LIVINGSTON ACADEMY

Bailey Murrell Daycare Director

GHANA MISSIONARIES

Emanuel, Peter, Gideon, Mark,
 Amos, Anthony, James,
 Valentine, Evans, Jacob

WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY

Worship— 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
 Streaming begins at 10:00 A.M.
 Hispanic Service - 1:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study via Facebook —6:30 P.M.

OFFICE HOURS

Working from home
 Office hours by appointment only



SERVICE SCHEDULE

September 13th

Welcome: Barry Brown
 Song Leader: Dennis Coleman
 Preaching: Russ Bone
 Opening Prayer: Larry Menoher
 Communion: Barry Brown
 Leader
 Servers & Ushers: Tom Wriggins, Cameron Rimmer
 Phil Osborne, JC Perez
 Closing Prayer: Tom Wriggins
 Computer: David Wakeland
 Sound Booth: Kathleen Brown
 Media: Zak Dempsey

Next Week

Welcome: Terry Billingsby
 Song Leader: Dennis Coleman
 Preaching: Russ Bone
 Opening Prayer: Barry Brown
 Communion: Tom Wriggins
 Leader
 Servers & Ushers: Phil Osborne, Marc Rimmer
 Barry Brown, Scott Otey
 Closing Prayer: Terry Billingsby
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Please meet in Classroom #11 10 minutes before services begin. If you are unable to serve, please call: Alan Glazier or Tom Wriggins [Worship], Kathleen Brown [Sound Booth]

MISSION STATEMENT

To Glorify God By:

Leading people to know God through Jesus Christ.
 Equipping members for ministry and spiritual service.
 Assisting members to grow in love, holy living and fellowship with the community of Christ.
 Declaring God in spiritual and truthful worship.

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