

July 22, 2018

Nursery

Ruth Duncan

SOUND ROOM

Caleb Shock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark Mauney

SCRIPTURE READING

Gary Lambert

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Thomas Martin

LEAD PRAYER

Stanley Gordon

Jade Smith

LORD'S TABLE

Michael Hunter, b.

Rodger Moore, c.

Dennis Martin, c.

Jacob Moore

Joey Moore

Aaron Harp

P.M. SERVICE

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Curtis Sawrie

Byron Sawrie

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Jack Hancock

Tom Hedrick

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August 1, 2018

LEAD SINGING

Byron Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Rodney Partee

Jarod Partee

DEVOTIONAL

Rodger Harlan

At A Glance

July 22-25 – VBS at Greenbrier C of C. 7 p.m.

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July 29 – Contribution to Building Fund

July 29 – Potluck Meal following a.m. service and early evening service

July 29 – August 1 – Gospel Meeting. Jerusalem C of C. 7 p.m.

August 1 – Report from Southern Christian Home

August 4 – Girl's Baking Day

August 4 – VBS. Vilonia C of C. 10 a.m.

August 25 – Contribution to Building Fund

September 1 – Girl's Baking Day

September 9 – Meal at Hidden Valley Catfish House following a.m. service

September 22 – Mars Hill Ladies' Day

September 30 – Contribution to Building Fund

September 30 – Potluck Meal after the a.m. service and early evening service

October 6 – Girl's Baking Day

October 13 – J.O.Y. Group trip to Smokin' Buns Restaurant

October 27 – Fall Festival and Trunk & Treat

November 3 – Girl's Baking Day

November 10 – J.O.Y. Group Game Night at Carey and Kim Well's house

November 22 – Thanksgiving Potluck after a.m. service

December 1 – Movie and Crafts for K-6 Grades

Bible Class Lessons

Sun., July 22: Lesson #64 – Exodus 16

Wed., July 25: VBS

Sun., July 29: Lesson #65 – Exodus 17

Wed., August 1: Lesson #66 – Exodus 18

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

Evening Service 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

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- Roberto Sarmiento, Costa Rica
- Main Street Church of Christ (Stuttgart, Arkansas)
- Youth Outreach University Youthoutreachuniversity.com
- Truth For Today World Mission School
- Gospel Chariot (Africa)
- Gospel Crusade (Local)
- Camp Areopagus

The Mars Hill Messenger

July 22, 2018

Building Fund Next Sunday

Next week's contribution will go toward our building payment. Please be as generous as possible

Congregational Potluck Next Sunday

Everyone is invited and encouraged to invite all their family and friends to join them

An Amazing Rescue

On June 23, 2018, twelve members of an 11- to 16-year-old Thailand soccer team – the Wild Boars – and their coach ventured into Thailand's Tham Luang Cave. They had been in the cave before; this time they were there for an adventure to celebrate one of the boy's birthdays. Their adventure turned into a near-tragedy and thankfully an amazing rescue.

Then monsoon rains came and once-accessible caverns were flooded. The boys and their coach found refuge in a narrow passageway above the flooded areas. They were trapped more than a mile underground in the deep recesses of the cave and no one knew their exact whereabouts.

Then help from all over the world began to pour in, seeking to rescue the boys and their coach. An estimated 10,000 people participated, including 2,000 soldiers, 200 divers and representatives from approximately 100 government agencies. In addition to hundreds of personnel from Thailand, including Navy SEALs and volunteer divers, rescue workers also came to help from other countries including Finland, Britain, China, Australia, and the United States.

Navy SEAL and volunteer divers painstakingly penetrated the cave in search of the soccer team, securing guidelines along the way to ensure their safety. On July 2, 10 days after the boys entered the cavern, a pair of British divers working to extend a network of guide ropes in water-filled passageways, popped up near a narrow ledge. And there they were: 13 emaciated people perched in the dark but incredibly thankful to have been found. Now they had to be rescued.

The mile-long stretch between the start and the rescue base, much of which was completely underwater, took about two hours to traverse. Each of the boys was strapped into a stretcher and carried out. Different methods were used to navigate the team members out of the cave. At times, divers had to shuttle them underwater in "cocoon." The rescue team also used suspended ropes and carabiners to guide each stretcher across jagged peaks and valleys. In one leg of the escape, the cocoons were placed on floating stretchers and Thai frogmen pushed them along. To navigate a wet downhill, the rescue team slid each boy on a stretcher on top of the thick hoses that had been used to pump water out of the cave. Teams of 4-6 rescuers operated a relay on steep, dangerous down hills.

As a result of these heroic efforts, all twelve boys and their coach were rescued. The last of the boys emerged on July 10th, 18 days after he and his teammates entered the cave.

Because of our sin, you and I were a lot like that soccer team: trapped, and without a rescuer, doomed to die.

But God loves us so much that He sent His Son to rescue us! In order to rescue us, Jesus had to die on the cross for our sins (1 John 4:9-10). Because of His atoning death, we can be saved from our sins and receive the gift of eternal life (Romans 6:23).

God will save and give eternal life to those who place their **faith** and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in **repentance** (Acts 17:30-31), **confess** Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are **baptized** (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sin (Acts 2:38). God will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7).

The rescue of those twelve boys and their coach was amazing! Their rescue pictures an even more marvelous rescue mission: when God's one and only Son came to this earth and died on the cross for our sins so that we can be saved from eternal destruction.

– David A. Sargent

PRAYERS NEEDED

Roy Bulice has been very sick with blood pressure issues.

Mike and **Treva Widner** have both been dealing with health issues.

Vanessa Ellison will undergo surgery on August 13th.

Shelia Riddle is scheduled for angioplasty on August 3rd.

Terry Turner is having some serious health issues.

Martha Walker will be undergoing more tests.

Scotty Vance, Rodney Partee's uncle, has been diagnosed with cancer.

Terry Sanders, Todd Sanders' father, will have part of his colon removed on August 20th.

Chad Hunter has been deployed.

Extended Sick List: Nell Bostic, Alex Lafferty, Roy Bulice, Kathy Hall, Jean Harvey, Sabrina Gray, Paula Stocks, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Mike Knappier, Victoria Taylor, Gerri Smith, Larry Keathley, Larry Harris, Sarah Roderick, Hannah Cupp, Karen Barger, Martha Green, Linda Brown, Beth Moreno, Gladys Widner, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Charlene Lasley, Gordon Newsome, Ava Walker, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

FAMILY NEWS.

VBS 2018: VBS continues through Tuesday at 7:00 nightly. Sunday – Jason Almond; Monday – Spencer Cromwell; Tuesday – Neal Chism. Teen Teachers: Sunday P.M. – Caleb Shock; Monday – Keith Almond; Tuesday – Jason Almond.

Homemade Cookies: Please help provide homemade cookies for refreshments at the end of VBS on Tuesday.

Greenbrier VBS: David will be teaching in the teens at the Greenbrier VBS on Wednesday evening. Everyone is invited to ride with him and support their school. The van will leave the building at 6:15 p.m.

Building Fund: Next week's contribution will go toward our building payment. Please be as generous as possible.

Potluck and Early Service: Everyone is invite to share in a potluck meal after the morning service next Sunday. Our afternoon worship service will take place immediately following the meal and there will be no 5 p.m. service.

An optimist is one who can always see the bright side of the other person's problems!

Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow. —Helen Keller

There are 4 steps to accomplishment: Plan purposefully; Prepare prayerfully; Proceed positively; Pursue persistently.