

November 20, 2016

Nursery

Mary House

SOUND ROOM

Curtis Sawrie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clay Winn

SCRIPTURE READING

Mike Widner

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Caleb Shock

LEAD PRAYER

Carey Wells

Rodger Harlan

LORD'S TABLE

Ralph Hunter, b.

Michael Hunter, c.

Thomas Martin, o.

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

Jacob Moore

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

LORD'S TABLE

Josh Moore

Connor Marsh

Tues., Nov. 22, 2016

LEAD SINGING

All Men

LEAD PRAYER

Mike Widner

Josh Moore

DEVOTIONAL

Thomas Martin

November 27, 2016

Nursery

Mary House

SOUND ROOM

Curtis Sawrie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clay Winn

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark Mauney

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Thomas Martin

LEAD PRAYER

Clay Winn

Roy Bulice

LORD'S TABLE

Joey Moore, b.

Aaron Harp, c.

James Moore, o.

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

Dan Blair

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Eddy Jones

LEAD PRAYER

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

LORD'S TABLE

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

Wed., Nov. 29, 2016

LEAD SINGING

Jade Smith

LEAD PRAYER

Jacob Moore

Joey Moore

DEVOTIONAL

Michael Hunter

At A Glance

November 20 – Baby Shower for Melodie and Matt Mauney. 3:30 p.m.

November 22 – Mid-Week Service moved to Tuesday evening

November 27 – Contribution to Building Fund

November 29 – Boys' Day at Areopagus. 3 – 5 p.m.

December 2 – Painting and Crafts for 4-5 year olds and 1-2 Grades at the building. 6-9 p.m. Hot dogs and chips will be served

December 4 – Report from Curtis Sawrie about Romania in a.m.

December 4 – Report from Vladimir about work in Russia in the p.m.

December 9-11 – Area-Wide Youth Retreat at Areopagus

December 18 – Holiday Potluck. No 5 p.m. service

December 25 - Contribution to Building Fund

December 25 – No 5 p.m. service

January 8 – Ted Knight report at a.m. worship service

January 13-15 – Youth Outreach University

January 21 – Hobo Stew. 5 p.m.

April 21-22 – Sewing Workshop for Healing Hands International at Camp Areopagus

Bible Class Lessons

Sunday, November 20: Lesson #313 – Review

Wed., November 23: Lesson #314 – Jn 7:1; Mk 7:1-30

Sunday, November 27: Lesson #315: Mk 7:31 – 9:1

Wed, November 30: Lesson #316: Matthew 17

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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Missions

- Ted & Barbara Knight (U.S.A., Romania)
- 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

Mars Hill
The Messenger

November 20, 2016

Thanksgiving
Service

The Mid-Week Service at Mars Hill will be moved to Tuesday evening this week only. There will be no service on Wednesday this week.

We have invited area congregations to join us for a song service and devotional.

Everyone is urged to be in attendance and invite others to come with you.

Thanksgiving and Giving Thanks

Even though we do not observe Thanksgiving as a holy day or a religious holiday, it is a time when most Americans are thankful for the blessings they have received.

Such an expression of gratitude is proper. But rather than expressing it just one day each year, we ought to be thankful every day. We receive blessings on a daily basis, therefore we should be thankful daily. In the model prayer of the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 6:11, Jesus taught us to pray to God so that He might, "Give us this day our daily bread." 1 Timothy 4:3 states that God created foods which are "to be received with thanksgiving." Verse four continues the thought by saying, "For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving."

Our thanksgiving should be directed to God for the blessings we have because He is the source of all good things. "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning" (James 1:17). "God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things" (Acts 17:24-25). Many of the people who will be thankful on Thanksgiving Day, will fail to be thankful to God. Since "all things" we receive are from God, we should thank Him for all things -- all the physical blessings and privileges we enjoy.

After Jesus had cleansed ten lepers, only one of them thanked Him for it. Jesus asked, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" (Luke 17:17-18). Those who receive blessings from God, must be thankful to Him.

Christians ought to be even more expressive and fervent in their expressions of thanksgiving to God because not only are they blessed with those material blessings that sustain physical life but also receive all spiritual blessings in Christ (Eph. 1:3) which sustain them spiritually and enable them to overcome sin and death in order to live eternally.

Those spiritual blessings, if you are not receiving them now, are available to you if you will submit to the gospel for the salvation of your soul. There is no better way to show gratitude to God for that which He has graciously given to us than by living in submission to His will, loving, acknowledging, and thanking Him as obedient children. Thanksgiving Day, and every day, let us give thanks to God.

Gene Taylor

PRAYERS NEEDED

Allyson Hancock was hospitalized last week with a severe Urinary Track Infection.
Carolyn Brown is at home under hospice care.
Shelia Riddle is recovering from a fall.
Martha Walker is recovering from a broken hip.
Bob Johnston is recovering from hip replacement surgery.
Mike Widner is recovering well from recent surgery.
Monteen Ward is having problems with her knees.
Alex Lafferty is in need of our prayers.
Pam Dale, Lou Riley's daughter, is having problems with her heart and lungs.
Mason Furgeson, 5-year-old family friend of Mark Allen and Mary House, is struggling with liver cancer.
Judy Riley began radiation treatments this past week.
Linda Brown has been allowed to go home. She will continue rehabilitation.

Extended Sick List: Barbara Ausbrooks, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom, Jeane Harvey, Mark Allen, Paula Stocks, Pam Webb, Ethan Lafferty, Karen Lambert, Robie Permenter, Jerry Walker, Charlene Lasley, Allie Sawrie, Jack Moore, Sarah Barker, Tami Baker, Wayne Guess, Larry Ellinger, Carroll Sites, Gordon Newsome, Ken Cope, Geraldine Morris, John McBee, Bob Dalton, Sandy Hill, Marjory Stanley, Ava Walker, Ron Smith, John Riddle, Jerry Almond, Anna Kay Jones, Barbara Fowlkes, Jim Canter

FAMILY NEWS

Sympathy: Lloyd Autrey, brother to Sammye Gordon and Phil Autrey, passed away last Sunday. Our love and sympathy are extended to the family. W.R. Perkins, Sabrina Gray's grandfather, passed away last week. We extend our love and sympathy to the family.

Thank You: 1) Thank you to everyone who had a part in the Thanksgiving meal yesterday. It was wonderful. 2) Thank you to everyone who come to Areopagus on Monday evening to help with cleaning and moving chairs and equipment.

Baby Gifts: A box is in the foyer to deposit gifts for Josh and Shea Moore's baby girl.

Baby Shower: Today at 3:30 p.m. for Matt and Melodie Mauney. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mid-Week Service Moved: The Mid-Week Service will be moved to Tuesday evening this week. Area congregations will be invited to join us for a song service and devotional.

Building Fund: The contribution next Sunday will go toward our building payment.

Painting and Crafts: The 4-5 year olds and the 1st – 2nd Graders and invited to come to the building for on Friday, December 2nd, from 6-9 p.m. for painting and crafts. Hot dogs and chips will be served.

Winter Retreat: December 9-11 at Camp Areopagus for 7-12 Grades. Register at www.campareopagus.org.