

**October 1, 2017**

**Nursery**

Michelle House

**SOUND ROOM**

Caleb Shock

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mark Mauney

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Connor Marsh

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Caleb Shock

**LEAD PRAYER**

Aaron Harp

James Moore

**LORD'S TABLE**

Ralph Hunter, b.

Michael Hunter, c.

Thomas Martin, o.

Rodger Moore

Dennis Martin

Jacob Moore

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Randy Riddle

**LEAD PRAYER**

Thomas Martin

Rodger Moore

**LORD'S TABLE**

Rodger Harlan

Clay Winn

**October 4, 2017**

**LEAD SINGING**

Jade Smith

**LEAD PRAYER**

Gary Lambert

Harold Moody

**DEVOTIONAL**

Mike Widner

**October 8, 2017**

**Nursery**

Michelle House

**SOUND ROOM**

Dan Blair

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mark Mauney

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Ralph Hunter

**A.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Thomas Martin

**LEAD PRAYER**

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

**LORD'S TABLE**

Joey Moore, b.

Aaron Harp, c.

James Moore, o.

Dan Blair

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

**P.M. SERVICE**

**LEAD SINGING**

Michael Hunter

**LEAD PRAYER**

Dennis Martin

Josh Moore

**LORD'S TABLE**

Mike Widner

Jack Hancock

**October 11, 2017**

**LEAD SINGING**

Randy Riddle

**LEAD PRAYER**

Mike Widner

Caleb Shock

**DEVOTIONAL**

Mark Mauney

***At A Glance***

**October 1-4** – Gospel Meeting. Foothills C of C, Searcy. Speaker: Stephen Wiggins

**October 7** – Katie Bonds and Eric Coppin wedding.

**October 8** – Area-Wide Youth Devo.

Windsong. 5 p.m.

**October 8-13** – Gospel Meeting. N. Main St. Stuttgart.

**October 9** – Preacher's Meeting. Vilonia C of C. 10 a.m.

**October 10** – Area-Wide Singing and Fellowship Meal. Downtown Morrilton C of C. 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$6

**October 14** – Fish Fry. 5 p.m.

**October 22** – Birthday Celebration after p.m. service

**October 29** – Contribution to Building Fund

**October 29** – Potluck Meal after A.M. service

**November 12** – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Guy. 6 p.m.

**November 26** – Contribution to Building Fund

**December 10** – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Greenbrier. 4 p.m.

**December 31** – Contribution to Building Fund

**January 7** – Area-Wide Youth Devo. Downtown Morrilton. 5 p.m.

**Bible Class Lessons**

Sun., Oct. 1: Lesson #398 – Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and Micah - 2 Kgs 16-17

Wed., Oct. 4: Lesson #399 – Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, and Micah - 2 Kgs 18-20

Sun., Oct. 8: Lesson #400 – Isaiah and Micah

Wed., Oct. 11: Lesson #401 – Zephaniah, Nahum, and Habakkuk – 2 Kings 21:1-23:30

**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

# The Mars Hill Messenger

October 1, 2017



## FISH FRY

You Are Invited to enjoy a meal of Catfish, Chicken, French Fries, Hushpuppies and lots of other great food

**Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>**

on the parking lot of the  
**Mars Hill Church of Christ**  
1020 Countyline Road  
Vilonia, Arkansas

Meal Served at 5 p.m.

Everyone Is Invited!

## The Judge

Do you know why Jesus had to die? Let me tell you a story that might help make it clear.

Do you have a car? Well, let's say you are speeding home this weekend at 105 mph. A policeman catches you on his radar and you get busted. They impound your car and bring you straight to the courthouse to face the judge.

Well, the good news is that the county you got busted in just happens to be the county in which your dad is the judge. So you're thinking that he loves you he'll let you off and everything will be fine.

But just as you are entering the courthouse, you consider that your dad is a really good judge. He never punishes the innocent. He always punishes the guilty. He is a good and just judge.

Now you're a little nervous. Which is going to win out, his love or his justice? He's your dad and he loves you so he'll want to do good to you. But he's just. He's a good judge and therefore he'll want to follow the law and render a just verdict.

What do you think he'd do? Which would win, love or justice? Let me walk you through a scenario that shows how he might solve the dilemma.

You stand before your dad the judge and he says to you, "Son, this officer says you were going 50 mph over the speed limit. How do you plead?"

What would so you say? [Guilty.] Yeah, that's a good idea, because you are guilty.

So he look at you and says, "That will be \$500 or a week in jail. Guilty as charged." And he bangs down the gavel.

Well you don't have any money, so the bailiff comes to take you away so you can start serving your time, when your dad, the judge, stands up and says, "Wait a minute. Bring him back here." Then he stands up, takes off his robe and walks down from behind the bench. Then he reaches into his coat pocket, takes out his checkbook, and writes the court a check for \$500, the exact amount of your fine. Then he offers it to you.

He is just, so he declares you guilty, since you are. And he demands that a penalty be paid. But he loves you, and so he has determined to pay that penalty himself, on your behalf.

Now as he stands there offering you the check, what do you need to do? [Accept or reject it.]

That's right. You can accept his payment on your behalf, or for whatever reason you can reject it.

That story is, I think, a great picture of what God has done for us. If there are two things primarily true about God they are that He is loving and He is just. Those two things put Him in an interesting situation when it comes to us, because every one of us has broken His laws. We are guilty before Him. So which would win out, His love or His justice?

The Bible says that He declared us guilty, because we are, and demanded that a penalty be paid. Then He left heaven, came to earth, became a man, and died to pay our penalty. See, we didn't owe a \$500 penalty, so He didn't just write a check. The Bible says that sin earns us a death penalty, so He died to pay that (Romans 6:23).

God will save and give eternal life to those who accept His offer on His terms: place your faith and trust in Jesus who gave His life for you (Acts 16:30-31), turn from your sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Him before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of your sins (Acts 2:38). Then, as you continue to walk in the light of His Word, the blood of Jesus will continue to cleanse you from all sin (1 John 1:7).

So He came to us to offer His life on our behalf. Just like your dad with the check, He stands before you and says, "I have paid the price for your transgressions. All you need to do is accept it."

- David Sargent

## PRAYERS NEEDED

**Gunner Smith** has walking pneumonia.

**Joey Moore** is recovering from back surgery.

**Shelia Riddle** has a stress fracture in her back.

**Kathy Hall** is being treated for skin cancer.

**Eddy Jones** has an infection in his leg.

**Ronnie House**, Mary House's husband, is waiting to have test on his heart. .

**Extended Sick List:** Jeane Harvey, Alex Lafferty, Buddy Herrod, Sabrina Gray, Heather Partee, Pam Webb, Paula Stocks, Shelia Riddle, Roy Bulice, Monteen Ward, Bill Ward, Martha Walker, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom, Jeane Harvey, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Ethan Lafferty, Hannah Cupp, Karen Barger, Sunny Moody, 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.

Birth: Carson Drake Hartwick, Carey and Kim Wells grandson was born on Tuesday. Charleigh Hawkins is his sister. His parents are Dalton and Stephanie Hartwick.

Hurricane Relief: \$1404 has been contributed to the hurricane relief efforts. This along with any other contributions received will be sent to help repair/replace the building of the Rock Port, Texas Church of Christ. Their building has been condemned and will have to be totally rebuilt. If you wish to contribute see one of the elders.

Building Fund: \$3129 was contributed last week toward out building payment.

Wedding: Everyone is invited to the wedding of Katie Bonds and Eric Coppin next Saturday. The ceremony will be held at the Jamestown Ranch (459 Shawbridge Rd. Greenbrier) at 3:30 p.m. A reception will follow.

Wedding: Everyone is invited to the wedding of Alliceson Jones and Cody Bradford on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 2:30 p.m. at Bella Terra Estate in Cabot.

Fish Fry: Everyone is invited to enjoy a Fish Fry on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Mars Hill building. The catfish, chicken, hush puppies, and french fries will be provided but you are encouraged to bring something to add to the meal. Please invite your family and friends to join you.

### Let Us Consider

*"And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near." (Hebrews 10:24-25)*

I had a conversation the other day with some people who used to be very active in the church. Now they do not attend at all. They said they missed it at first, but now they're used to it. Bingo. That is the way the devil and sin works in our lives. It seems bad at first, but now we are used to it. That is how the deceitfulness of sin works.

David