

April 1, 2018

Nursery

Moey Mauney

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gary Lambert

SCRIPTURE READING

Jade Smith

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Jacob Moore

LEAD PRAYER

Clay Winn

Rodger Harlan

LORD'S TABLE

Josh Moore, b.

Bob Johnston c.

Doug Ellison, c.

Connor Marsh

Ralph Hunter

Michael Hunter

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Bob Johnston

LEAD PRAYER

Carey Wells

Roy Bulice

LORD'S TABLE

Mark Mauney

Steve Shock

April 4, 2018

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Curtis Sawrie

Rodney Partee

DEVOTIONAL

Dan Blair

April 8, 2018

Nursery

Moey Mauney

SOUND ROOM

Clay Winn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gary Lambert

SCRIPTURE READING

Gus Smith

A.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Curtis Sawrie

LEAD PRAYER

Roy Bulice

Clayton Carlton

LORD'S TABLE

Thomas Martin, b.

Rodger Moore, c.

Dennis Martin, c.

Jacob Moore

Aaron Harp

James Moore

P.M. SERVICE

LEAD SINGING

Randy Riddle

LEAD PRAYER

Carlton Clayton

Tom Hedrick

LORD'S TABLE

Dan Blair

Curtis Sawrie

April 11, 2018

LEAD SINGING

Michael Hunter

LEAD PRAYER

Jarod Partee

Carey Wells

DEVOTIONAL

Curtis Sawrie

At A Glance

April 6-8 – Area-Wide Youth Retreat at Areopagus

April 6-8 – Gospel Meeting. Foothill C of C. Speaker: Melvin Otey

April 6-8 – Gospel Meeting. Southside C of C, Batesville. Speaker: Lee Moses

April 7 – Ladies' Day at Robinson and Center C of C. 9-11:30 a.m.

April 8-11 – Gospel Meeting. Atkins C of C. 7 p.m.

April 9 – Preacher's Meeting. Greenbrier C of C. 10 a.m.

April 10 – Fellowship Supper. Harding St. C of C. 5:30 p.m.

April 14 – Congregational Breakfast and Cleaning Day. Breakfast served at 7:30 a.m.

April 20-21 – Sewing Workshop at Camp Areopagus

April 21 – Parent's Afternoon Out. Noon – 4 p.m.

April 22 – Cake and Ice Cream after P.M. service for April birthdays

April 29 – Senior Banquet following p.m. service

May 5 – Southern Christian Home Homecoming

May 6 – Area-Wide Youth Devo at Enola. 5 p.m.

May 20-23 – Gospel Meeting. Perryville C of C. Speaker: Eddie Bowman

Bible Class Lessons

Sun., April 1: Lesson #33 – Mk 1:21-45

Wed., April 4: Lesson #34 – Mk 2:1-22

Sun., April 8: Lesson #35 – Jn 5:1-47

Wed., April 11: Lesson #36 – Mk 2:23-28; 3:1-19

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

April 1, 2018

Something Special About That Day

“And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight” ([Acts 20:7](#)).

- **Note the time:** the first day of the week.

- **Note the purpose:** to break bread (the

Lord's supper, [1 Corinthians 10:16-17](#); [11:17-34](#)).

Sunday was quickly established as a meeting day for Christians, a day in which they partook of the Lord's supper. And is it any wonder? This was the day of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead! The day when Jesus was declared to be the Son of God ([Romans 1:4](#)). The day when he met with his disciples. John not only tells about the Sunday resurrection day, but also another such meeting with his disciples on the very next Sunday ([John 20:1, 19, 26](#)). Sunday came to have such special significance that John referred to it as “the Lord's day” ([Revelation 1:10](#)).

That is not to say that Christians did not meet together at other times. They did. Even daily ([Acts 2:46](#)). But the first day of the week was special—a day when they “gathered together to break bread” (to keep the Lord's supper).

Some contend, based on [Acts 2:46](#) (“They, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart”), that early Christians partook of communion every day. Read another translation: “Day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they partook of food with glad and generous hearts.” Does that sound like the Lord's supper to you? In this context it hardly seems like the same kind of “breaking bread” we read about in [Acts 2:42](#).

Scripture and history combine in teaching that Christians met on Sunday to partake of the Lord's supper.

Will you be present this Lord's day to break bread with the saints?

—John Gipson

He Is Not Here, But Risen

“And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you” (Matthew 28:5-7)

On Sunday the tomb was empty. If there had been no empty tomb, the world would never have heard of Jesus. The resurrection is the defining difference that sets Christianity apart from all other religions. Most religions have holy places; Christianity does not. Other religions have tombs; Christianity does not! Of what use is a "dead Savior"?

No man witnessed the resurrection. Christians believe Jesus is the Son of God because of an empty tomb! Christianity would be totally destroyed if one bone of His body were found. Jesus physically died and literally was resurrected. This means that He is alive today. It also means that we can believe in and obey Him today. This is the gospel message! The Christian hope is not life after death, but life, *period!*

Death. Death could not hold Jesus. In death Jesus defeated and abolished death (2 Tim. 1:10). The cross marks the "death of death." Jesus took the power of death from Satan; He freed us from the "sting" of death (1 Cor. 15:54-57). Sinners are saved by Christ's death—not by His resurrection. By His death, Jesus saved us from the law of sin and death (Rom. 8:1, 2). To conquer sin is to eliminate death.

Burial. If Satan ever had a banquet in hell, it was on this Passover Sabbath when Jesus was a corpse. The gospel message is the death, *burial*, and resurrection of Christ (1 Cor. 15:1-4). We must not think about the death and the resurrection but skip the burial. Resurrection demands a death and a burial. A burial demands a body. The burial shouted, "All is lost. Death has won; life has lost." The situation may have seemed bleak on Friday, but the resurrection came on Sunday! Jesus' resurrection would bring to an end the devil's mirth and release heavenly joy worldwide, throughout eternity.

Resurrection Power. The same power that raised Jesus from the dead can give sinners a new life. This new life begins with baptism into the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ (Rom. 6:3-7). A sinner's greatest privilege is to be buried by baptism with Christ and into Christ! The heart and soul of the church is to seek and save the lost. This is done through the power of the gospel, the message of the risen Lord. The cross was the victory won; the resurrection was the sacrificial death accepted, validated, and endorsed by God.

Jesus' resurrection guarantees yours. What God did in a Jerusalem cemetery for Jesus, He will do for you. You were not made to die, but to live. What is the doctrine, the hope of the resurrection, right now? Your life is not futile; it has a purpose. Your failures are not fatal; they are forgiven. Your death is not final; there is a resurrection. What a hope! You will be like Jesus!

This text by Charles B. Hodge, Jr., is adapted from "Jesus' Resurrection " in *The Agony & Glory of the Cross* (Searcy, Ark.: Resource Publications, 2007), 65-73.

PRAYERS NEEDED

Shelia Riddle is in room 226 of Salem Place Rehab in Conway. She is getting stronger and will have a stent placed in a heart artery on April 9th.

Lela Riley, Lou Riley's sister-in-law, is recovering from a car accident.

Mike Knappier is undergoing chemo therapy.

Chad Hunter has been deployed.

Extended Sick List: Roy Bulice, Kathy Hall, Jean Harvey, Alex Lafferty, Sabrina Gray, Heather Partee, Paula Stocks, Martha Walker, Nell Bostic, Nita Patrom, Mark Allen, Pam Webb, Ethan Lafferty, Gerri Smith, Larry Keathley, Larry Harris, Mark Boulthouse, Robie Cope, Sarah Roderick, Joey Walker, 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.

Building Fund: \$4,386 was contributed to the Building Fund last Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

Fellowship Meal: The Area-Wide Fellowship Meal will be held at the building of the Harding St. congregation in Morrilton on Tuesday, April 10th, at 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$6. If you plan to attend let David know.

Work Day: Saturday, April 14th, everyone's help is needed with some Spring Cleaning of our building. All we are asking for is your help from 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Breakfast will be provided at 7:30 a.m. Please sign up if you plan to eat. If we have enough help we will clean in the classrooms in addition to the auditorium. Teachers are asked to help out by cleaning out any materials, etc. in your room that you no longer use. Please make sure you put away anything you do not wish to be disposed of.

Area-Wide Youth Retreat: April 6-8 at Camp Areopagus. Mars Hill is responsible for providing the breakfast one morning. A list of supplies is on the table in the foyer. Please sign showing what you are willing to provide.

Parent's Afternoon Out: Saturday, April 21st, Noon – 4 p.m. For more information see Rodger Moore.

Sewing For The Master: April 20-21 at Camp Areopagus For additional information see Treva Widner.

Senior Banquet: A banquet honoring our graduating Seniors will be held after the evening service on Sunday, April 29th.

Summer Camp Sessions at Areopagus: You are encouraged to register your child for Summer Camp at soon as possible at www.campareopagus.org. Day Camp: (K-3rd Grades) June 4-7. High School: (9th-12th Grades) June 10-16. Middle School: (4th-6th Grade) June 17-21. Junior High: (7th-8th Grade) June 24-30.