

The Mars Hill Messenger

March 6, 2022

<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, March 6, 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SOUND ROOM</p> <p>Clay Winn ANNOUNCEMENTS Rodney Partee SCRIPTURE READING Dan Blair LEAD SINGING AM/PM Dennis Smith LEAD PRAYER AM/PM Doug Ellison Thomas Martin LORD'S TABLE Steve Shock, b. (AM/PM) Mike Widner, c. (AM/PM) John Foster, o. Michael Slicer</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday March 9, 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAD SINGING</p> <p>Randy Riddle LEAD PRAYER Gary Lambert Harold Moody</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bible Class Lessons</p> <p>Sunday, March 6: Lesson #377: Paul: Philippians 1-2 Adults: Life of Christ</p> <p>Wednesday, March 9: Lesson #378: "Paul: Philippians 3-4</p> <p>Sunday, March 13: Lesson #379: Paul: 1 Timothy 1-2 Adults: Life of Christ</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sick</p> <p>Mary House is recovering from surgery. Dale Haynie is in the Rehab Center in Cabot. He is improving. Stanley Gordon is having many health issues. Lee Adkisson is recovering from hip replacement surgery. Carlton Clayton, Roy Bulice, Ova Lea Leighton, Martha Walker, Gladys Widner, Paula Stocks, Charlene Lasley, Kenneth Johnston</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">At A Glance</p> <p>March 11-12 – Men’s Retreat hosted by Downtown C of C. Camp Areopagus. Theme: Act Like Men</p> <p>March 13 – Daylight Savings Time begins</p> <p>March 13 – Let’s Be Friends. K-4th. Subject: Bullying. 3-4:30 p.m.</p> <p>March 14 – Preacher’s/Leader’s Meeting. 10 a.m.</p> <p>April 9 – Egg Hunt for the children. 3 p.m.</p> <p>April 9 – Ladies’ Day. Higden C of C. 9:30 a.m. – Lunch. Speaker: Denise Martin</p>
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Men’s Retreat: This coming Friday and Saturday at Camp Areopagus. Hosted by the Downtown Morrilton congregation. The theme is “Act Like Men.” If you plan to attend a count must be turned in. Please sign up today.

Let’s Be Friends: The K-4th Graders of the Mars Hill, Vilonia, and Liberty congregations will meet at the Mars Hill building next Sunday from 3 – 4:30 p.m. There will be a Bible lesson, singing, prayers, and games.

Daylight Savings Time: Daylight Savings Time begins next Sunday morning. Set your clocks forward.

Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 9th, at 3 p.m. at the Mars Hill building. Each child needs to bring 12 filled plastic eggs. See Lisa Hunter for more details.

Pearl Finder

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it” (Matthew 13:45-46, ESV).

What do you want for God’s church? To put it another way, what are you willing to give up and do to make that happen? It is easy to wish for great attendance, a spiritual worship service, beautiful singing, a sermon that moves me, prayers that voice my deepest yearnings, and fellowship that lifts my spirits.

But there is a difference between “What I want **from** God’s church” and “What I want **for** God’s church. “**From** God’s church” suggests that a member fills a place on a pew when he feels inclined. He listens to the sermon that is preached for someone else. Perhaps he sings if he feels like it. Maybe his mind follows the words of the prayers that are said, or his thoughts may drift elsewhere.

On the other hand, “**For** God’s church” implies that a member is doing something to advance God’s kingdom. He is present at every given opportunity if he can be. He teaches a class, sings with enthusiasm, implanting the words in his heart. He eagerly hears the sermon, learning from God and searching for gems that he can use in his Christian walk. The prayers sink deep into his heart, and he also call on God’s help for the lost, the ill, and those who need help. When worship is over and he goes home, he uses what he has heard and learned to help others.

Am I actively searching for the pearl of great price? Am I a mere spectator, or am I helping God’s kingdom grow in myself and in others? I must bear fruit in every good work and increase in the knowledge of God (Colossians 1:10).