

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. First Prayer	Brian Braxton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dennis Milam
P.M. Prayer	Dan Preaus
P.M. Closing Prayer	Mike Kerrigan
Lord's Table	* E.Albritton, B. Anderson D. Milam, J. Rhodes
Song Leader	Kent Everett
Greeters	David & Debbie Williams
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Betty Rhodes Kaia Read
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Ben Walker (8-25-21)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	David Williams
A.M. Closing Prayer	David Duty
P.M. Prayer	Tracey Brantley
P.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Preaus
Lord's Table	* J. Rhodes, Chris Cook C. Gilbert, W. Hudson
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	J.E. Albritton & David Duty
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Carolyn Cobb
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Jim Rhodes (9-1-21)

Schedule of Events	
<b>Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> thru Aug. 28<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:45 A.M.</b> Bible Class	
<b>10:45 A.M.</b> Worship	
<b>6:00 P.M.</b> Evening Worship	
<b>Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> 12:30 P.M.</b> Men's Prayer Group	
<b>7:00 P.M.</b> Bible Classes	
<b>Benevolence:</b> Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106	
<b>VBS</b> – Third week in June every year	

The Record Speaks	
Date	August 15, 2021
Bible Class	43
A.M. Worship	71
P.M. Worship	40
Contribution	--
Date	August 18, 2021
Wed. Attendance	55

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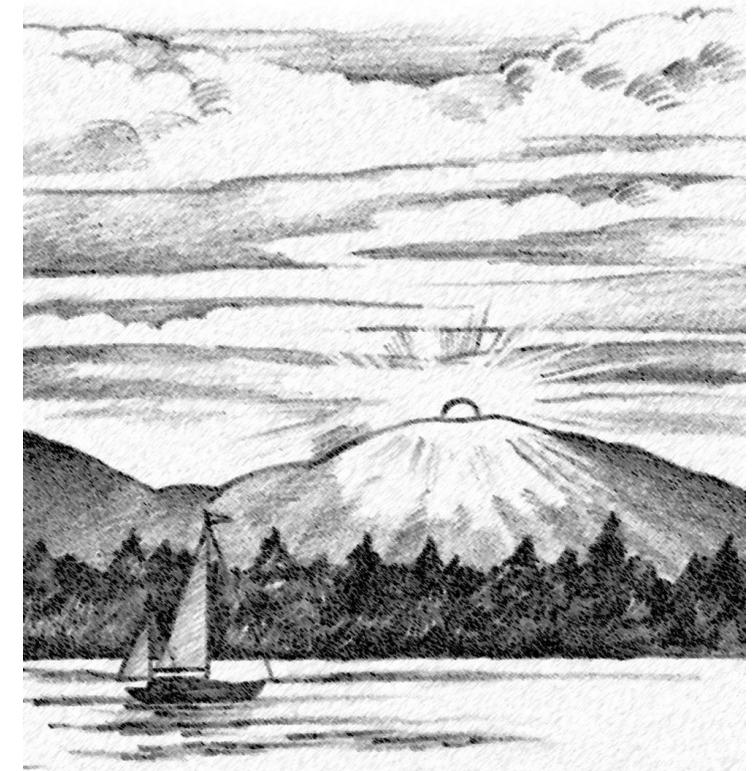
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*“The LORD make his  
face shine upon you ...  
and give you peace.”*

*Numbers 6:25-26, NIV*

### **‘I Was Wrong’**

The three most unpopular words in the English language. The three least likely words you will hear this week. They stick in our throats—they don’t want to come out. They are an admission of weakness, and no one wants to be seen as weak or less than “in control.” So although we are often wrong, and while we often sin and make mistakes, we seldom are big enough to admit it. And in failing to do so we exhibit our weakness rather than hide it!

One thing I like about David—he was man enough to confess his sins and to seek God’s forgiveness. As king of Israel he could have claimed “executive privilege,” or he could have sought to blame another for his sin. But when Nathan’s accusing finger pointed at him, and when those stinging words, “You are the man!” reached his conscience, David was strong enough to admit his guilt. And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord” (2 Samuel 12:13). No excuses; no attempts to cover up; no denial. “I have sinned.” It would be hard not to respect a man with that kind of character and integrity.

God liked David, too. He called him “a man after My own heart” (Acts 13:22). David had plenty of things in his life for which shame was appropriate, but he had a good heart, a good attitude. When he contemplated the sin in his life he was touched by it. He felt himself separated from God. He realized he had lost his closeness with God. “Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation” (Psalm 51:12).

How hard is it for you to say, “I was wrong”? Can you say it to your family? To your neighbors and your friends? To your employer and your associates? Can you admit your sin to your God? Until you are willing to “confess your sins” (1 John 1:9-10) you cannot receive the forgiveness you need so desperately. Admission of guilt—included in “godly sorrow”—is an integral part of repentance, and without repentance we are yet in our sins.

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### **Don’t Throw It Away**

Have you made someone happy, or made someone sad. What have you done with the day that you had?

God have it to you to do just as you would. Did you do what was wicked or do what was good?

Did you hand out a smile or just give a frown? Did you lift someone up or push someone down?

Did you lighten some load or some progress impede? Did you look for a rose or just gather a weed?

What did you do with your beautiful day? God gave it to you, did you throw it away?

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### **You Need to Know**

*Birthday this week:*

**Wednesday, August 25 – David Lowery**

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We extend our deepest sympathy to Chris Cook and his family in the loss of his grandmother, Betty Jane Miller. Please continue to pray for all families who have lost loved ones.

Bible class material for next quarter is in the library.

Krew Martino, Ron & Roseann’s great grandson will be going to Philadelphia to have surgery on Tuesday. Please keep him in your prayers.

Mark your calendar! Heart Sisters’ first meeting will be Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. here at the building. Bible study material will be distributed on the first Sunday of September.

The ladies Bible class is coordinating community service projects. We have adopted 2 elderly widow ladies in the community. A needs list is posted on the bulletin board in the back hall if you would like to donate an item or money to support this project. In addition, Bible study materials will be given to both ladies. If you have any questions, please see Pat Albritton.

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*Each new day brings opportunity under God’s guidance to walk carefully before others. His Word teaches us how to walk wisely, making the most of our time.*

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### **Those in Need of Special Prayer**

Letsy Everett  
Mattie Gray Bird  
“Bee” Stewart  
Ashley Harrison  
Fennie Perkins  
Cooter Anderson  
Bobby Fletcher  
Fred Futch  
Krew Martino  
Betty Perot  
Cathy Nall  
Rita Huffstutter  
Meade Phelps

Doris Roller  
Joe Albritton  
“Hoss” Brantley  
Pam Denton  
Sherry Taylor  
Lane Denton  
Elaine Brantley  
William Wilson  
Roxanna Gill  
Asa Duty  
William Colvin  
Richard Farrar

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### **Ten Guideposts To Living**

1. I will do more than belong—I will participate.
2. I will do more than care—I will help.
3. I will do more than believe—I will practice.
4. I will do more than forgive—I will forget.
5. I will do more than dream—I will work.
6. I will do more than teach—I will inspire.
7. I will do more than give—I will serve.
8. I will do more than live—I will grow.
9. I will do more than be friendly—I will be a friend.
10. I will be more than fair—I will be kind.

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### **Faith Is**

Faith is risking what is for what is yet to come. It is taking small steps knowing they lead to bigger ones.

Faith is holding on when you want to let go. It is letting go when you want to hold on. Faith is saying yes when everything else says no.

It is believing all things are possible in the midst of impossibilities.

Faith is looking beyond what is and trusting what will be.

It is the presence of light in darkness, the presence of God in all. *—Copied*