

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Eddie Albritton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dan Preaus
P.M. Prayer	Ron Hudoba
P.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Preaus
Lord's Table	* Justin Preaus, M. Kerrigan B. Braxton, D. Dvorshock
Song Leader	Jim Rhodes
Greeters	Mike & Connie Kerrigan
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Jean Futch
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Jim Rhodes (2-3-21)

The Record Speaks	
Date	Jan. 24, 2021
Bible Class	46
A.M. Worship	76
P.M. Worship	--
Contribution	--
Date	Jan. 27, 2021
Wed. Attendance	42

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Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	David Williams
A.M. Closing Prayer	Tracey Brantley
P.M. Prayer	Brian Braxton
P.M. Closing Prayer	Jim Rhodes
Lord's Table	* Joe Preaus, J.E. Albritton J. Rhodes, D. Dvorshock
Song Leader	Kent Everett
Greeters	Joe & Marilyn Preaus
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Skylar Read Kaia Read
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Nathan Wiens (2-10-21)

Schedule of Events	
Jan. 31st thru Feb. 6th	
Jan. 31st 9:45 A.M.	Bible Class
10:45 A.M.	Worship
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
Feb. 3rd 12:30 P.M.	Men's Prayer Group
7:00 P.M.	Bible Classes
Benevolence:	Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106
VBS	– Third week in June every year

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*And now abide faith,
hope, love, these three; but
the greatest of these is love.
1 Corinthians 13:13*

Elders

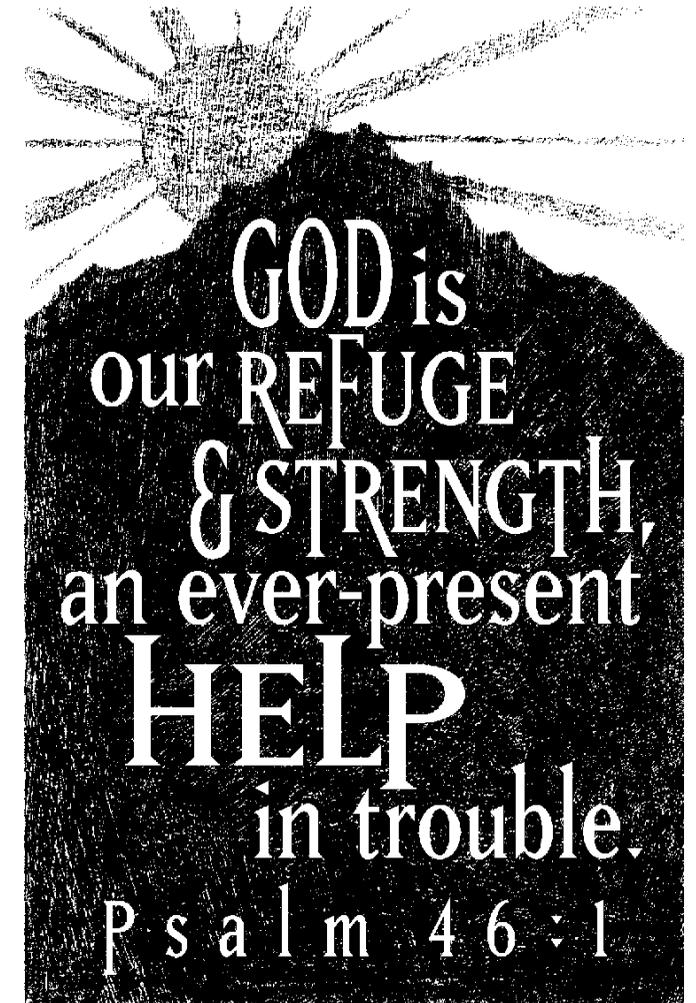
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A Shady Place To Sit

It will be a shelter and shade from the heat of the day. Isaiah 4:6

There are two types of people. The first are those who bake themselves in the sun and somehow enjoy it. Sweat seems to bring them joy. The stifling air doesn't seem to bother them. Their ability to withstand the heat is baffling.

Then there are the rest of us. We are the ones who check the temperature and the humidity before ever stepping foot outside, sunscreen and sunglasses in hand. We can endure a summer day as long as we have a glass of iced tea in hand and a shady place to sit. Because, let's face it, shade makes the sun bearable.

When Isaiah described what life would be like for God's people when the Messiah appeared, he used the imagery of shade during the heat of the day. When summer is at its hottest, and you think you can't last another moment in the sun, it's amazing what a little time in the shade will do. Without changing anything in terms of the sun's heat or brightness, a little shade enables a person to endure the heat for just a little bit longer.

Jesus is shade on a hot summer day for believers. When life seems to be overwhelming or unbearable, a little time with Jesus can give us the needed strength to make it through the day. Though our circumstances may not change, His presence brings relief from the heat of the moment. When we sit in His shade, we are refreshed before heading back out into the heat of the day.

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Living Courageously

Every human life is a tapestry of events: some grand, some not so grand, and some downright tragic. When we reach the mountaintops of life, praising God is easy. In the moment of triumph we trust God's plan. But, when the storm clouds form overhead and we find ourselves in the dark valley of despair, our faith is stretched, sometimes to the breaking point. As Christians, we can be comforted. Wherever we find ourselves, whether at the top of the mountain or the depths of the valley, God is there, and because He cares for us, we can live courageously.

Believing Christians have every reason to be courageous. After all, the ultimate battle has already been fought and won on the cross of Calvary. But, even dedicated followers of Christ may find their courage tested by the inevitable disappointments and tragedies that occur in the lives of believers and non-believers alike.

The next time you find your courage tested to the limit, remember that God is as near as your next breath, and remember that He offers salvation to His children. He is your shield and your strength; He is your protector and your deliverer. Call upon Him in your hour of need and then be comforted. Whatever your challenge, whatever your trouble, God can handle it. And will.

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You Need to Know

Birthdays this week:

Sunday, Jan. 31 – Lisa Preaus

Monday, Feb. 1 – Bettie Wilkes

Tuesday, Feb. 2 – Bobby Fletcher

Saturday, Feb. 6 – Mike Black

Our Ladies Wednesday Night Bible Class will start again this Wednesday night, Feb. 3rd. The book we will be studying is "She Hath Done What She Could."

Eternity Is Revealed

One afternoon, while hiking through a wooded property, I stopped to rest on the side of a hill. All I could see were immense tree trunks, dense underbrush, and scrub trees. As I made my way downhill through the lower tree limbs, underbrush, vines, and brambles, suddenly the view opened up and the beautiful tranquility of a magnificent lake was revealed.

At times, all we can see from day to day looks like scrub trees, underbrush, vines, and brambles. It seems impossible that there can be anything beyond the chaotic tangle we find ourselves in.

But because of the Cross, we can walk with Christ every day. He leads us to the place where a magnificent view is unveiled.

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One Phone Call Can

Cheer the sad

Learn of a need

Show your concern

Lift the depressed

Comfort the lonely

Promote a good work

Strengthen the weak

Those in Need of Special Prayer

Yyvern Taylor

Elta Knight

"Bee" Stewart

Eloyce Everett

Pam Denton

Sherry Taylor

Cooter Anderson

Pam Holloway

Elaine Brantley

Caden Wilson

Krew Martino

Betty Perot

Tex Nolan

Lorraine McDaniel

Asa Duty

Misti Walker

Gary Tucker

Pat & Eddie Albritton
All those who have the Covid virus and their families

Doris Roller

Joe Albritton

"Hoss" Brantley

Letsy Everett

Steve Brantley

Morgan Preaus

Cindy Lanham

Bobby Fletcher

Betty Reese

Ben Nivens

Roxanna Gill

Patsy Williams

Laiken Heard

Mattie Gray Bird

Calvin Miller

Donald Reeves

Searching For Strength

God's hand is a never-ending source of strength and courage for those who call upon Him. When we are weary, He gives us power. When we see no hope, God reminds us of His promises. When we grieve, God wipes away our tears. Whatever our circumstances, God will protect us and care for us...*if* we let Him.

Have you "tapped in" to the power of God? Have you turned your life and your heart over to Him, or are you muddling along under your own power? The answer to these questions will determine the quality of your life here on earth and the destiny of your life throughout all eternity.

The Bible tells us that we can do all things through the power of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Our challenge, then, is clear: we must place Christ where He belongs: in *first* place. When we do so, we will surely discover that He offers us the strength to live victoriously in this world *and* eternally in the next.

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