

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. First Prayer	David Williams
A.M. Closing Prayer	Chris Cook
P.M. Prayer	Tracey Brantley
P.M. Closing Prayer	Kent Everett
Lord's Table	* Justin Preaus, E. Albritton J.E. Albritton, M. Kerrigan
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	Mike & Connie Kerrigan
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Sharon Anderson Casey Fletcher
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Ben Walker (9-29-21)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Ron Hudoba
A.M. Closing Prayer	Joe Preaus
P.M. Prayer	Eddie Albritton
P.M. Closing Prayer	Charlie Reeves
Lord's Table	* B. Braxton, D. Milam J.E. Albritton, D. Duty
Song Leader	Tracey Brantley
Greeters	Joe & Marilyn Preaus
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Paula Strickland
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Brian Braxton (10-6-21)

Schedule of Events	
Sept. 26th thru Oct. 2nd	
Sept 26th 9:45 A.M.	Bible Class
10:45 A.M.	Worship
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
Sept. 29th 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

The Record Speaks	
Date	September 19, 2021
Bible Class	52
A.M. Worship	85
P.M. Worship	46
Contribution	--
Date	Sept. 22, 2021
Wed. Attendance	64

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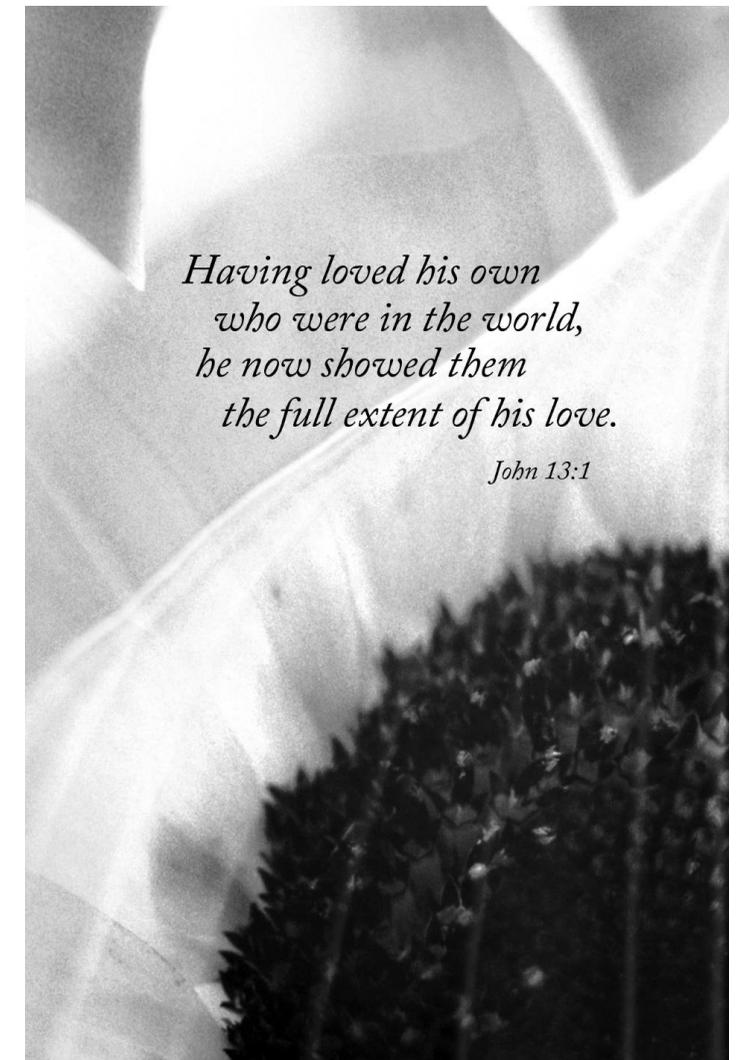
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*Having loved his own
 who were in the world,
 he now showed them
 the full extent of his love.*

John 13:1

Autumn Leaves

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. Psalm 116:15

For as long as I can remember, my family has taken a drive every fall to look at the leaves. There's not much that exceeds the beauty of the mountains in late October. One year my mama was planning just such a trip when my brother felt the need to cheekily offer up an observation: "You know all of those leaves are dying, right? You're driving around looking at dying leaves."

He was, of course, correct. The oranges, yellows, and reds are all beautiful indications that the leaves are, in fact, dying. As the heat of summer fades and the autumn winds begin to blow, the once green leaves begin to change color and loosen their grip. Death is on display: both sad and lovely, all at the same time.

The death of a saint is much the same way. The body grows weak, the light in the eyes begins to dim, and movements become slower. The ending of a life is in many ways sad. Yet, when the Lord looks upon the death of one of His beloved, He sees it as "precious". The Greek word used in Psalm 116:15 is *yaqar*, which means valuable, prized, weighty, rare, splendid, and precious. It's a word as rich in meaning as the autumn leaves are in color.

When God sees one of His children nearing the end of his or her earthly life, He sees a life that mattered. No matter how many days were lived, it's a life that had weight in the world. For a Christ follower, death is both a leaving and a coming home again. It is sad and lovely all at the same time.

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Strength vs. Weakness

Do you ever feel like you aren't worth much? I mean, do you ever wonder if God gave everybody gifts, but then what in the world did He give you? Do you ever ask yourself, "Is this all there is?" Is it just about getting up, going to work, coming home, eating dinner, watching TV, going to bed, and then starting all over again? Does God really give each of us gifts and abilities? Or is that for those other folks who look better, make more money, run faster, jump higher, etc.!

There is an old saying that is a little corny, but true, "God don't make trash." If that is true, which I assure you it is, then you are gifted, you do have ability. The real question is, are you using it or sitting on it?

Rest assured that God has blessed you with gifts, talents, and abilities. The problem with many of us is we sit around wishing we had this person's gift or that person's talent, instead of developing and growing and nurturing the abilities God has given us. Quit sitting around on your "blessed assurance" and move out with God today. If Christ can take a boy's lunch and feed 5,000 folks (John 6), then He can take you and use your talents. Too many of us are "sitting on the premises" instead of "standing on the promises!" How can God use you today?

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You Need to Know

Birthdays this week:

Sunday, September 26 – Maranda Stewart

Monday, September 27—Todd Futch & Wayne Hudson

Tuesday, September 28—Natalie Wiens

Friday, October 1 – Ada Jane Craig

Heart Sisters' first meeting will be next Thursday, October 7th at 6:00 p.m. here at the building. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

While the Corona virus has occupied the media, we must not forget there are many who are suffering from tornados and hurricanes. Gal. 6:9-10—And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

The Disaster Assistance CoC team worked with local churches of Christ and provided 4,000 meals in North Carolina, 1,000 meals a day in Tennessee, and are providing 800-1,000 meals a day based out of the Chalmette Church of Christ. Chalmette is east of New Orleans.

We are sending \$1,000 from our treasury to Disaster Assistance CoC. If you want to personally contribute, please give your check to one of the elders, Brian or Chris **today**. Your check should be made out to the Farmerville Church of Christ.

The Elders of the Lake Jackson, Texas Church of Christ reviews all donations and expenses of this mission work. Thank you.

Those in Need of Special Prayer

Letsy Everett
Mattie Gray Bird
"Bee" Stewart
Ashley Harrison
Sherry Taylor
Lane Denton
Bobby Fletcher
Fred Futch
Krew Martino
Betty Perot
Cathy Nall
Rita Huffstutter
Meade Phelps

Doris Roller
Joe Albritton
"Hoss" Brantley
Pam Denton
Cooter Anderson
Casey Cranford
Elaine Brantley
William Wilson
Roxanna Gill
Asa Duty
William Colvin
Richard Farrar
Amie Smith

Reminder

If you like to sing, there is a group meeting together here at the building after the Sunday night worship service to practice old songs and learn new ones.

Life's Patchwork Quilt

Life is like a patchwork Quilt,
And each little patch is a day.
Some patches are rosy, happy and bright.
And some are dark and gray.

But each little patch as it is fitted in,
And sewn to keep it together,
Makes a finished block in this life of ours,
Filled with sunshine and rainy weather.

So let me work on life's patchwork Quilt,
Through rainy days and the Sun.
Trusting that when I have finished my block,
The Master will say, "Well done."

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If you want to feel rich, just count the things that money can't buy. --Copied