

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. First Prayer	Brian Braxton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Billy Anderson
P.M. Prayer	Dan Preaus
P.M. Closing Prayer	John Earl Albritton
Lord's Table	* R. Hudoba, D. Milam J.E. Albritton, D. Williams
Song Leader	Jim Rhodes
Greeters	J.E. & E. J. Albritton
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Bonita Hutson Deanna Wilson
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Tracey Brantley (6-23-21)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Eddie Albritton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dennis Milam
P.M. Prayer	David Duty
P.M. Closing Prayer	Tracey Brantley
Lord's Table	* J. Rhodes, Chris Cook S. Richardson
Song Leader	Kent Everett
Greeters	David Duty
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Betty Rhodes Kaia Read
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Ben Walker (6-30-21)

Schedule of Events	
<b>June 20<sup>th</sup> thru June 26<sup>th</sup></b>	
<b>June 20<sup>th</sup> 9:45 A.M.</b> Bible Class	
<b>10:45 A.M.</b> Worship	
<b>6:00 P.M.</b> Evening Worship	
<b>June 23<sup>rd</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	June 13, 2021
Bible Class	49
A.M. Worship	84
P.M. Worship	--
Contribution	--
Date	June 16, 2021
Wed. Attendance	56

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Joe Preaus  
Chris Strickland

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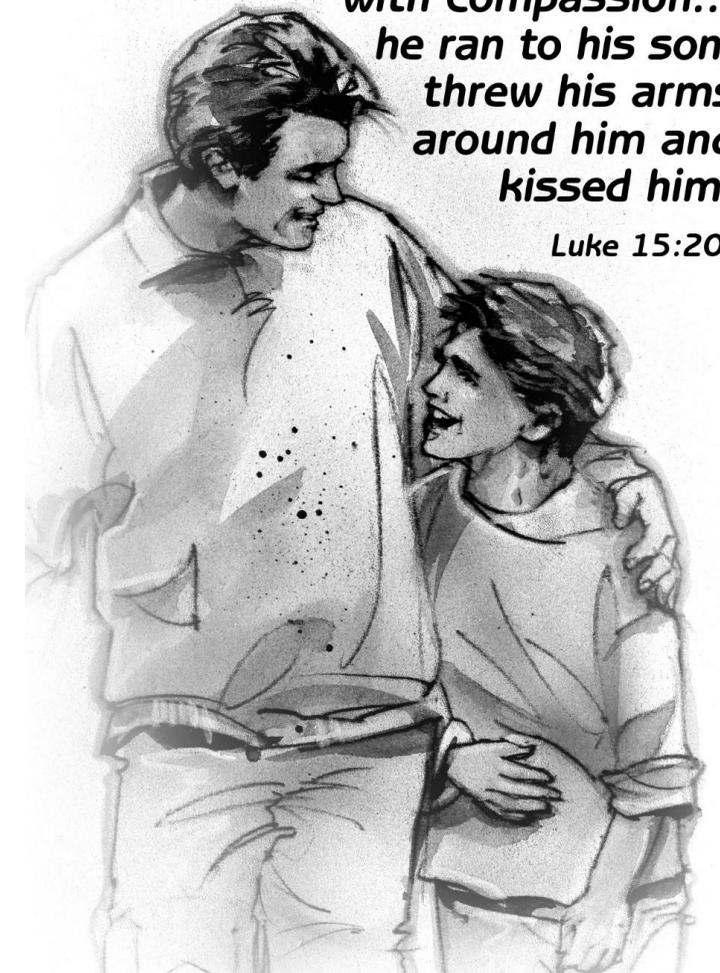
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**His father saw him and was filled  
with compassion...  
he ran to his son,  
threw his arms  
around him and  
kissed him.**

**Luke 15:20**



### I Am Going To Stay A Father

At a time when being a buddy to one's son is popular, I am going to stay a father. I believe it may yet prove to have been a bit of sad psychology when dads are being called, "Jim, Pete, Art, Tom or Jack" by their children. When Spock, Freud, Dewey, and William James have conspired to make dad a minor stockholder on the home's board of directors, when women's rights, and property rights, along with civil rights, people's rights, and children's rights have made it wrong for fathers to speak with authority, I am going to stay a father.

If a gap exists between my sons and daughters, and myself, I am going to work hard to understand. I shall try to be understood as well as to understand. I shall try to understand why long hair, when kept clean and trimmed does not identify one as a hippy, yippie, radical or reactionary, any more than short hair identifies one as a clean, moral, upright citizen. But I shall not copy my sons.

When they tell it like it is, I'll listen, even if I like it better like it was. If old-fashioned things such as prayer, Bible study, worship, and faith in God ever seem to my children to be out of it, or square, or whatever...I trust God's help to have faith enough to yet pray for them, and I pledge with Job, to offer up additional sacrifices for them.

With love in our home, I will answer their questions about the facts of life, but at nudeness or lewdness I refuse to wink. Drinking and smoking are as out of place and unwanted in my home as profanity or the plague. And if experimentation with drugs or marijuana is ever a problem, it will be in violation of my every prayer and request.

I want my children to know that I make mistakes, that I am foolish, proud, and often inconsistent. But I will not tolerate that as an excuse for my hypocrisy. I ask them to help me change as children should, and to expect me to help them change in the method expected of a parent. Others may look to the under-30 crowd for the wisdom to throw away the past, and to say what will remain for future generations; others may let the off-spring in the house determine the foods, the music, and the spending of the household, but I am going to remain a father. -Paul Harvey

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*Good fathers reflect the heavenly Father. --Copied*

*The character of your children tomorrow depends on what you put into their hearts today. --Copied*

*Grace is everything for those who deserve nothing. --Copied*

*The closer you walk with God, the less room for anything to come between. --Copied*

### You Need to Know

*Birthdays this week:*

**Sunday, June 20 – Katy Eldridge**

**Monday, June 21 – Jean Matheson**

**Tuesday, June 22 – Sarah Preaus**

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Thank you to all those who volunteered to teach our Bible classes. We appreciate you!

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**Thanks, Dad**

In the US, more long distance calls are made on Mother's Day than any other day. But on Father's Day, the most collect calls are made. It seems that children still depend on their fathers to provide, even when they are far away from home.

Fathers are needed and wanted for much more than financial help. While 1 Thessalonians 23:10-12 is primarily directed toward church leaders, Paul talks about how their role is similar to a father's. He states: "You know how we exhorted, and comforted, and charged every one of you, as a father does his own children."

*Exhorted* is "to call near." It is easy for fathers to think that all that's required is to bring home a paycheck. But children need their close encouragement.

The word *comforted* is "to console." Nothing is more valuable to a child than the time given by a father to listen and talk. Without constant relating relationships turn cold.

*Charged* is to affirm." Fathers challenge their children by affirming the truth of God's Word as they live it out in front of them. And even in failings, they affirm what is right through the asking of forgiveness.

How thankful we can be for fathers who help their children "walk worthy of God" (v. 12).

*--Copied*

### Those in Need of Special Prayer

**Yyvern Taylor  
Mattie Gray Bird  
"Bee" Stewart  
Letsy Everett  
Steve Brantley  
Morgan Preaus  
Bobby Fletcher  
Caden Wilson  
Krew Martino  
Betty Perot  
Cathy Nall  
Misti Walker  
Fred Futch  
William Wilson  
Francis Jane Preaus  
Ron Hudoba  
William Colvin**

**Doris Roller  
Joe Albritton  
"Hoss" Brantley  
Pam Denton  
Sherry Taylor  
Cooter Anderson  
Elaine Brantley  
Ben Nivens  
Roxanna Gill  
Asa Duty  
Lorraine McDaniel  
Tracey Brantley  
Meady Phelps  
Randy Stinson  
Tori Boyette  
Rita Huffstutter**

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**Walk A Little Plainer Daddy**

Walk a little plainer daddy  
Said a little boy so frail,  
I'm following in your footsteps  
And I don't want to fail.  
Sometimes your steps are very plain  
Sometimes they are hard to see,  
So walk a little plainer daddy  
For you are leading me.  
I know that once you walked this way  
Many years ago,  
And what you did along the way,  
I really like to know.  
For sometimes when I am tempted  
I don't know what to do,  
So walk a little plainer daddy  
For I must follow you.  
Someday when I'm grown up  
You are like I want to be,  
Then I will have a little boy  
Who will want to follow me.  
And I would want to lead him right  
And help him to be true,  
So walk a little plainer daddy  
For we must follow you.  
*--Copied*