

**Sunday Morning Worship**

Announcements .....(473-8760) Dale Bennett  
 Lead Singing .....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer .....Rickey Hurst  
 Reading ..... Kevin Flatt  
 Scripture..... Luke 24:32  
 Lord's Table (N) ..... \*Bobby Ashford  
 (S).....\*David Bouldin  
 (N).....Rodney Maynard  
 (N).....Gordon Fults  
 (N).....Joe Maynard  
 (S).....Derek Vinson  
 (S)..... Robert Elam  
 (S)..... Justin Griffin  
 Sermon ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss .....Ken Martin

**Sunday Evening Worship**

Announcements .....(473-8760) Dale Bennett  
 Lead Singing .....Leonard Clemons  
 First Prayer ..... Paul Hurst  
 Reading .....Jeff Rhea  
 Scripture.....Proverbs 18:24  
 Lord's Table.....\*Rodney Myers  
 .....\*Kelly Thaxton  
 Sermon ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Closing Prayer ..... Jacob Griffin

**Wednesday Bible Study**

Announcements ..... (668-3537) Jamie Brock  
 Lead Singing ..... Paul Hurst  
 First Prayer ..... David Keele  
 Reading ..... Mike Driver  
 Invitation ..... Tony Lawrence  
 Dismiss ..... Stanley Graves

**Welcome Committee**

A.M..... Rickey Burks Family  
 P.M..... Ken & Nona Martin

**Bus Driver:....**Rodney Reynolds (473-3570)

**Ushers:** ..... Mike Driver & Robert Elam  
**Attend Nursery:**.....Gail Crouch  
**Lock Building:** .....Ricky Prince  
**Prepare Communion:** . Doris Smith & Wanda Hendrixson  
**Assist with Baptisms:** .... Kathy Elam & Jane Flatt  
**Pantry Item:** ..... Yams  
**Elder Closing Remarks:** ..... Don Sullivan  
**Record For The Week...**

A.M. Worship..... 297  
 Bible Study ..... 233  
 P.M. Worship ..... 216  
 Wednesday Bible Study..... 220  
 Contribution ..... \$7,082

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*Services*

<i>Sunday</i>	A.M. Worship	9:00 a.m.	<i>Wednesday</i>	Bible Study	7:00 p.m.
	Bible Study	10:15 a.m.		<i>Monday (2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> of each month)</i>	
	P.M. Worship	6:00 p.m.		Monday Morning Bible Class 9:00 a.m.	

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## Sick

### At Home:

Judy Nussbaum (following shoulder surgery)

Essie Hillis

Wayne Jordan (Nancy Roger's brother)

Mike Killian (brother-in-law to Elaine Hoover)

Vera Settles

Gordon Fufts (will have tests Friday)

### In The Hospital:

David Keele (surgery Wednesday at River Park)

Debbie Kell (daughter-in-law of Asa & Sarah Kell)-  
Baptist Hospital

Horace Burks (brother of Rickey Burks)-St. Thomas

## Sunday's Sermons

A.M.....A Spiritual Heartburn  
P.M.....Practical Principles Of A Friendly Church.

## Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to three families that have suffered the loss of their family members this past week:

Sympathy to the family of Debbie Fittro, sister of Rickey Hurst. Her funeral was this past Sunday in Knoxville, TN.

Sympathy to the family of Nan Hildreth, mother of Danny Hildreth. Her funeral was this past Sunday at Highs.

Sympathy to the family of Elsie Felty, mother of Harry Felty. She passed away Monday evening and her arrangements are incomplete at this time.

## Change of Address

Please make the following change in your church directory:

Georgia Jones

P.O. Box 62

McMinnville, TN 37111-0062

## Baptism

On Thursday afternoon Perry Woodlee was baptized into Christ. We rejoice with him and his sisters in the flesh, Nelma Chilton and Nona Martin.

## Welcome back

The elders announced Sunday that Rickey & Lisa Burks and family are now back working with the church here again. Their current address is:

7537 Francis Ferry Rd.

Rock Island, TN 38581-4123

## Upcoming Youth Events:

### Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup>

- Youth Devo @ the Griffin's

### Tuesday November 17<sup>th</sup>

- TNT (If you would like to host, please see Tyler)

### Wednesday November 18<sup>th</sup>

- Birthday Wednesday

### Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>

- TABS @ Grundy Street
- Game Night, following TABS until Midnight @ the church building

## From Tyler's Desk:

### ***The Price of Peace***

There are different types of peace: among nations, between races, between individuals, within churches, etc. But by far the greatest kind of peace is peace with God. But because of our sin, peace with God has a high price.

Romans 5:1 teaches that we have "peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Paul continued to explain this statement through the rest of the chapter. A few verses later, we read "For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son" (Romans 5:10). Did you catch that? When we were in our sins, we were enemies with God. But through the death of His Son, we have been reconciled, and peace has been made.

Through this "peace offering," God has offered peace with man. But now the responsibility for peace now relies on man obeying God. In fact, earlier in

the letter to the Romans, Paul wrote, "There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil... but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good." There is no other way to have peace with God except to faithfully obey his commandments.

The price of peace is high, but it is worth it. "May the peace of God be with you all. Amen" – Romans 15:33

## What Is "Beautiful Singing?"

How many times have you worshiped in the assembly following which you heard, or might have said, "Boy was that beautiful singing!" Honestly, I have both heard it and said it myself. And, rightfully so. Some of the most beautiful singing in the world occurs in the church with absolutely no mechanical instruments involved! Furthermore, I am one who likes beautiful singing.

However, I got to thinking about it and wondered if God looks at our singing in that way. Does He put stress on the beauty of the voices that are singing or on something else? Will He accept singing that we would describe as something less than beautiful? Does the beauty of a Christian's voice have anything to do with whether or not he (or she) is pleasing God in such?

Obviously, it seems to me that God does not place the emphasis on the beauty of what is offered to Him, whether it is singing, praying, preaching, giving, etc. That can be seen simply by noting Jesus' condemnation of what the Pharisees did in Matthew 23.27, 28: "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness. Even so you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but inside you are full of hypocrisy and lawlessness." Conclusion: it takes more than the "beauty" of what we do to be acceptable to the Lord. As far as our singing in worship is concerned we can have the most beautiful voice in the world and be unacceptable to God if we are not living a faithful Christian life.

We can glean much about the emphasis that God places on our singing when we view several passages...

I Corinthians 14.15. "What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding." The context of this verse is miraculous singing given by the Holy Spirit and singing it in the assembly in a language that others can hear and benefit. It seems that from this passage we can learn at least two things.

- - Our singing today must be authorized by the Holy Spirit. Whatever we do in our singing in worship must be patterned after what the Holy Spirit has revealed in the Word.

- - Our singing must be done so that others can understand it. Understanding of the messages in our songs is just as important as understanding the messages presented from the pulpit!

Ephesians 5.19. "Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." It seems to me that there are at least four things in this passage that will help us.

- - Our singing involves "speaking." That is what God wants. Notice that nothing is said about a mechanical instrument.

- - Our singing involves "speaking to one another." That would involve everyone singing. How could I be speaking to another in song when I am not participating in it?

- - Our singing involves "making melody in your heart." It is crucial, I think, to understand that there is an instrument involved in our singing to the Lord. It is the heart, that is where our melody is to spring forth.

- - Our singing is "to the Lord." All worship, including our singing, is directed to the Lord. While we do benefit from the songs that are sung, we also are offering them to the Lord in our worship.

Colossians 3.16. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." At least two more things can be said about singing in this verse.

- Our singing involves "teaching." All one has to do is to glance through our song books to see many great sermons preached in our songs. When we get away from the teaching aspect of our singing and substitute other forms of music (humming and other sounds made with the mouth, hands, etc.), then our singing is not approved by Christ.

- - Our singing involves "admonishing." To admonish is "to put in the mind; warn." It seems to me that our songs, in many respects, parallel our preaching. We are both to teach and warn in our preaching as well as to teach and warn in our singing!

Let us remember that "beautiful" singing to the Lord involves at least those things mentioned above. And, let us strive to have more "beautiful" singing in the church. Think about it!

~Kevin Williams~