

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

April 2, 2023

10:45 am

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Please give any prayer requests to an usher or the pastor before the service.

Prelude Praise Team
Welcome Praise Team

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE & FELLOWSHIP

Praise Song Battle Belongs Praise Team
Invocation Pastor Russ
Praise Song The Blessing Praise Team
Scripture Reading Pastor Russ
Luke 15:11-32

WORSHIPPING WITH OUR GIFTS

Announcements Pastor Russ
Offering Our Gifts Pastor Russ

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND TEACHING

Time of Prayer Pastor Russ
Special Music Praise Team
Message Pastor Russ
“Spring Training #2 - : Arrogant, Proudful, Overpaid Has Been Makes Good.”

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

Hymn “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” #211
The Lord’s Supper Pastor Russ
Recessional Praise Team

Hearing assistance devices are available.
Please see an usher for help.

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GETTING TO KNOW US

Rev. Russell Stammer Pastor
Christine Lovette Minister of Music
JJ Belle Praise Band
Harry & Rachel Sink, Ted & Shirley Odenwald Praise Team
Lori Rosenboom, Steve Handy, Christa Hoppe Ushers
All Members of This Faith Community Ministers

THIS WEEK

Today 9:30 am Adult Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Service
Noon Coffee Hour
Friday 7:30 PM Good Friday Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

4/9/23 10:45 AM Resurrection Day!
4/16/23 Noon Church Council Meeting
5/7/23 Noon Coffee Hour

BIRTHDAYS

Christine Lovette 4/3
Laura Belle 4/28

ANNIVERSARY

Ted & Shirley Odenwald 4/17
Bob & Ruth Barton 4/19



GROWING IN BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

2023 BIBLE READINGS

Mon April 3 Deuteronomy 21-22; Proverbs 9
Tues April 4 Deut. 10; Deut. 23; Philemon; Proverbs 10
Wed April 5 Deut. 24-25; Proverbs 11; Psalms 49
Thur April 6 Deuteronomy 26-27; Psalms 19; Proverbs 12
Fri April 7 Deuteronomy 28; Proverbs 13
Sat April 8 Deuteronomy 29-30; Proverbs 14
Sun April 9 Deuteronomy 31; Proverbs 15; Psalms 139

The 2023 Bible reading schedule is thematic or connective in nature. The goal is to make as many associations as possible between the different parts of Scripture while still reading individual books of the Bible from start to finish. Only the Psalms are not read in consecutive order.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY PROGRAM

This week’s passage is **Matthew 5:9**
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

BIBLE TRIVIA

Today’s question is: Who was the father in law of Caiaphas, the high priest at the time of Jesus death?

Last week’s question and answer: In which gospel does Jesus state that he is the “Bread of Life?” **John (John 6:48)**

INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE

“What we see in Christ is sacrificial love. Merciful love. Love that values the well-being of others above itself. Love that will generously and fully pour itself out, whatever the cost, in order that the beloved might benefit, flourish, and thrive.” – **Krish Kandiah**



MISSIONS (PUTTING FAITH INTO ACTION)

In case you didn't know, **Easter is right around the corner.** It's a big deal for us as followers of Christ because it represents the day that Christ overcame the power of death, and it's that event that gives us our hope for a future with Him. **So, this is a great day to invite people to check out our Church.**

Did you know?

- 82% of people invited to an Easter Service will say likely attend.
- Only 2% of church members invite an unchurched person to church.
- 35% of people would be likely to attend a church if they knew people there "are like me."
- You might be inviting them to the place they belong.
- 7 out of 10 unchurched people have never been invited to church.
- If you don't invite them, who will?
- 2% of people who attend church will do so because of a church advertisement compared to 86% who attend because they were invited by someone they know.
- They are looking for a church that is involved in the community.
- You are inviting them to Easter could be the most important invitation they ever receive.



PRAYER PAGE

HEALTH ISSUES

Sandy Christopher – in Hospice care.
Nancy Monell – (Ted's Sister) – Ongoing health issues
Dot Nagy – (Ted's cousin) has multiple health issues.
Tricia Fellner – (JJ's Sister) has bradycardia (Low pulse rate)
Justin – Grandson of (Donna Stevens' sister) born with only 2 heart valves
Betty Wilson – (Friend of the Odenwalds) Neuropathy pain
Lois Griffith – Health Concerns
Lori Rosenboom – Ongoing health issues
Carl Stevens – Recovering from knee surgery.
Richard Greenip – several health issues
Pastor Russ & Eleanor Stammer – recovering from COVID

HEALTH ISSUES (CANCER)

Joe Alfano – ongoing health issues & Lung Cancer
Molly – (Herb Dorfman's granddaughter) diagnosed with Leukemia.
Robert Mariano – (JJ's Uncle) prostate cancer
Cathy Belle – (JJ's Aunt) found cancer on her brain.
Joan MacMillan – Pancreatic Cancer getting chemo.

OTHER CONCERNS

Good Shepherd Mission
Unspoken Requests – People requested prayer for an unspoken request.
Those dealing with Depression
Those dealing with addiction
All those suffering from mental health issues

NURSING FACILITIES

Ginny Palmer

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Kayla Lovette – University of VT

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Major David Hutsebaut – son of Dave and Shirley - Army
Sgt. Eduardo Velasquez – son in law of Cheryl Alfano – Marines
Petty Officer Second Class Faustina Owusu Bekoe - US Navy

Our Church – We need to pray for our church as we need to examine all aspects of our church to reposition ourselves for future success.



John 11:25-26 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"



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