

Bible Verse of the Week

“Only fear the LORD and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you.” 1 Samuel 12:24



Lord’s Supper Reflection – Why Did Jesus Come to Die?

To Create in Himself One New Man in Place of Jews and Gentiles

“Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands - that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, *that is*, the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man *from* the two, *thus* making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. Ephesians 2:11-16

Offering

Give According to Your Means

“For I bear witness that according to *their* ability, yes, and beyond *their* ability, *they were* freely willing, imploring us with much urgency that we would receive the gift and the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And not *only* as we had hoped, but they first gave themselves to the Lord, and *then* to us by the will of God. For if there is first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to what one has, *and* not according to what he does not have. 2 Corinthians 8:3-5, 12

Remember in Prayer:

- *Marilyn Dunn (member at Mid-County) - going through cancer treatments
- *Christy Clark - will be having surgery to remove skin cancer spots on 12/9
- *Caren Arrell and family coping with Caren’s recent diagnosis of serious health problems
- *Wayne Walker (Shandar Thompson’s grandfather) -
- *Isaac Mayes and family grieving the loss of his grandfather, Joe Mayes
- *Judah Gasper - dealing with boils
- *Michelle Gasper - has fibromyalgia
- *Cole Durst - back pain
- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Alexa Rohr - eyesight
- *Evelyn Lam - hip pain
- *Phyllis Caldwell - eyesight, encouragement
- *Tim Bang - recovery from knee surgery
- *Maxine Jones (Laura McGiffin’s mom) - Shut in, health
- *Terry McGiffin (John McGiffin’s dad) - health
- *Glenn Frick (friend of the Bang’s) - health
- *Josiah (Alena Brown’s brother) recovering from heart surgery

How may we be praying for YOU?



Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, November 29		Wednesday, December 2	
Bible Classes	26	Attendance	27
AM Attendance	38	Contribution	\$508.00
PM Attendance	21		

Welcome to Greenville Church of Christ



December 6, 2020

Worship Times:

- Sunday Morning Bible class: 9:30am
- Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30am
- Sunday Evening Worship: 6:00pm
- Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00pm

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We are happy that you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are visiting, you are our honored guests and we would love to have you back with us again. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor’s card and let us get to know you.

Peter, Simon, Aeneas, Tabitha and You

By Kevin Cauley

In Acts 9:43, we have a short statement about Peter: “So it was that he stayed many days in Joppa with Simon, a tanner.” In Acts 9:32-35, Peter healed Aeneas—who had been bedridden for eight years—in the town of Lydda. Some asked Peter to come to Joppa because Tabitha (Dorcas) died. Peter raised her from the dead. After these events, Peter lodges with Simon, a tanner.

The Holy Spirit intends to communicate a progression here. First, Aeneas was paralyzed and bedridden for eight years. He was likely ritually unclean (Leviticus 15). Peter enters his home and heals him anyway. Second, Tabitha was a dead body and ritually unclean (Numbers 19:11), but Peter went into her room. Third, Simon, a tanner, was a man who worked with dead animals by trade. He and his house were frequently ritually unclean (Leviticus 11:39; Numbers 19:11-22; Haggai 2:13). Peter stayed in his house anyway.

In Acts 10, Peter still struggled with ritual uncleanness. He objects three times about eating unclean animals. The Lord’s response is, “What God has cleansed you must not call common” (Acts 10:15). When the Holy Spirit fell on Cornelius, God touched what Peter and the Jewish men with him would not! Peter then asks, “Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” (Acts 10:47). Ritual impurity was no longer a barrier to doing God’s will, and the church put its hands on the “dirty.”

Do we hold back from teaching the gospel to those who don’t look, smell, act, or live like us because they are “dirty”? God didn’t accept Peter’s reticence, and He won’t accept ours either because He wants everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:4).

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### We’re excited that Lisa Miller decided to obey the gospel and was baptized this past week!!

Serving today and next Sunday:

| Sunday AM Rotation     | December 6, 2020 | December 13, 2020 |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Announcements          | Tim Bang         | Tim Bang          |
| Song Leading           | Bryan Allen      | Isaac Mayes       |
| Opening Prayer         | Jerry Thompson   | Curt Thompson     |
| Lord's Supper Comments | Tim Bang         | Jason Bang        |
| Scripture Reading      | Chris McGiffin   | Aiden Rohr        |
| Sermon                 | John McGiffin    | John McGiffin     |
| Closing Prayer         | Isaiah Rohr      | Chris McGiffin    |

## Announcements:

Communion is available as you come in the building, please take only what is needed for today. Hold on to the emblems until the proper time.

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December Men’s Meeting will be on 12/19.

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Holiday Party - December 19th @ 6pm

Plan to join us for food, fun, and building friendships!

White Elephant gift exchange

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We are providing Christmas dinner and gifts for several families in the community. There is a sign up sheet for items needed for each family. Boxes will be delivered on Wednesday, December 23rd. Please have items back before then. Get with John if you would like to deliver a box.

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Bible Readings for this week’s Bible Class:

Topic: “God Calls Isaiah” and

“A Message of Help and Hope”

Isaiah 6:1-4

Isaiah 29:13-16

Matthew 12:34

Luke 4:16-1

Acts 8:32-35

Isaiah 40

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Happy Birthday!

Carrie Thompson 12/5 Alena Brown 12/9 Jerry Thompson 12/18

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If you would like to make a special contribution towards new carpet/flooring for the building, please see John or Jason.

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Please call John or email him at jmcgiffin.yayo@gmail.com with any prayer requests or announcements you may have for the congregation.