

Bible Verse of the Week

“Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart,
All you who hope in the LORD.” Psalm 31:24



Lord’s Supper Reflection – Help Me Believe in the Power of the Cross

The Seventh Statement on the Cross

“Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, “Father, ‘into Your hands I commit My spirit,’” Having said this, He breathed His last. So when the centurion saw what had happened, he glorified God, saying, “Certainly this was a righteous Man!”” Luke 23:44-48

Offering Meditation

Our gifts to God will not compare to the Gifts God Gives us

“Now consider how great this man *was*, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils. …Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better. Here mortal men receive tithes, but there he *receives them*, of whom it is witnessed that he lives.” Hebrews 7:4-8



Remember in Prayer:

- *Our Country & leaders
- *Rena Morgan - Shut in, health
- *Phyllis Caldwell - eyesight
- *Larry Bey - dealing with Parkinson's
- *Friends and family members with Covid:
 - Sandy & Bill Gunkle (Chris Miller’s aunt/uncle)
 - Jimmy Dotson (Nellie Hoff’s brother)
 - Joyce Stanley (Laura McGiffin’s friend)
- *Crew Neaves (Chris & Lisa Miller’s 4 yr old grandson) - has an ear infection, needs open heart surgery soon.
- *Nicole Thorp - health issues and prayers for her family

- *Shelby Terrell (Tammy Seibert’s cousin) - has a spinal infection, pneumonia and a collapsed lung
- *Diana Hernandez and family (friend of Michelle Buckingham) - grieving the loss of their husband/father
- *KJ Webb and Karen Oyler (friends of Stephanie Bang) - each of them are facing breast cancer. KJ is recovering from her biopsy. Karen will have her biopsy 10/25.

How can we be praying for YOU?



Attendance and Contribution Record

Sunday, October 17		Wednesday, October 20	
Bible Classes	34	Attendance	38
AM Attendance	44	Contribution	\$1,030
PM Attendance			

Welcome to the Greenville Church of Christ



October 24, 2021

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.

Worship God's Way, Not Ours
By Brad Harrub

You have said time and time again that you don't have a problem with people being spiritual, but you just do not have time for organized religion. In fact, you have on several occasions ridiculed the idea of gathering together in a church building to worship God. You indicated that if God really existed, it would make more sense to "worship" that God outside in nature—instead of putting on uncomfortable clothes and coming together in a stuffy building with fake Ficus trees and an old fashioned pulpit. There is a loving God who created us and deserves our worship.

When Paul was talking about evidence for God one of the statements he made was this: "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse" (Romans 1:20). Notice Paul was using God's creation as part of his evidence that God exists. Basically Paul is saying this: "If you want proof that God exists, then go outside and look around." Everywhere you turn you will see evidence of design and complexity. Go outside for evidence, yes! But what we are talking about today is worshipping our Creator. Examining the evidence for God is different from worshipping Him.

(I'm going to let you in on a little secret. I'm not a big fan of the pulpit between two Ficus trees either. I am not sure when that tradition started, but it was picked up on by many congregations and hasn't changed in decades. If you have ever seen me preach/teach, you know I do not spend a lot of time behind a pulpit. Sadly, I think they separate the evangelist from the church family almost setting up an "us" versus "him" scenario. In my mind I picture Jesus teaching among the people, not from behind a pulpit.)

The real issue at hand is not whether we worship God inside a building with fake Ficus trees or outside on top of a mountain. The real issue is: Are you willing to humble yourself and actually do what HE wants? See, worshipping God is not about you, what you think, or how it makes you feel. Read that again, because most people have a hard time with that. They have been raised to think that everything is about them, and far too often they bring this selfish idea into worship. But worship is about God and for God.

Thankfully God has told us - through His inspired Word - exactly what our worship to Him should look like. In the New Testament we find 5 different acts of worship that God commands us to do. Each one of these is commanded, so again the question remains: Will you humble yourself enough to do what God instructs?

Things you should know about!

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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**Happy Birthday!!!**

Dianna Bang 10/27      Peyton Cruze 10/31  
Evelyn Rohr 11/4      Chris McGiffin 11/5

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Plan to join us on October 31st after morning services for a Chili Cookoff and some fun for the kids!
We'll vote on and give an award for the winning chili!
There will be a runway show for the kids in their costumes and games for them to play. Please bring one bag of candy per family with your best chili and/or a potluck dish.

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**Ladies Night Out!!**

*Ladies, please plan to have to dinner together on Saturday, November 13th @ 5:00pm. We will meet at The Merchant House in Greenville.*

Please let Dianna know that you plan on being there so that we can make reservations.

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Every Sunday at 2:00pm John will be conducting a worship service at Oakley Place Retirement Center at 1275 Northview Dr. in Greenville. A song leader is needed, if you are interested and willing, please talk to John.

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**Serving today and next Sunday:**

| Sunday AM Rotation     | October 24, 2021 | October 31, 2021 |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Announcements          | John McGiffin    | John McGiffin    |
| Song Leading           | Ed Kirchner      | John McGiffin    |
| Opening Prayer         | Jason Bang       | Judah Gasper     |
| Lord's Supper Comments | Jerry Thompson   | Curt Thompson    |
| Scripture Reading      | Isaiah Rorh      | Ezra Rohr        |
| Sermon                 | John McGiffin    | Bryan Allen      |
| Closing Prayer         | Matthew Wilson   | Owen Whittington |

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