

**2021
Stronger Than Ever**

Taking Up Our Cross Daily!

Luke 9:18-25

Taking Up Our Cross

- Taking up a cross meant a _____ of guilt.
- Taking up a cross meant loss of _____ control and certain death.

When we think about taking up our cross, we should think about:

- **Romans 12:1** – we should be _____ sacrifices –
- **Galatians 2:20** – we have been _____ with Christ and we no longer live, but He _____ in us –
- **Romans 6:1-7** – when we were baptized, we _____ to sin and crucified our old self with Christ –
- **Ephesians 4:22-32** – we have put off our old selves and are being _____ in our minds –
- **Colossians 3:3-10** – we are to put to death what is _____ in us because we have died in Christ –

We Must Take Up Our Own Cross Daily

(Rom. 6:16; 1Cor. 10:12; 1Jn. 1:9)

- We face every day anew, without _____ on the laurels of yesterday!
- If we stumble and fell _____, we can pick up our cross again today!
- We do this one _____ at a time!

Still Taking Up Our Cross (Lk. 4:12-13; 1Pet. 5:8)

- There is _____ day in this life where I can lay down my cross and _____ to live like Christ –
- Satan is not taking a _____!

The Paradox of the Cross Bearing Life

(Lk. 9:24; Rom. 6:15-23)

- By taking up our cross, we are carrying an _____ of life!
- By losing our life, we gain _____ life!

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SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Classes for all ages	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Ladies Prayer Service on hiatus

Wednesday

Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
Tracy Bower

ELDER FOR August	Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE FOR August	Jinny Donald

WEEK OF AUGUST 8TH , 2021

Bible Class	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed. Class	Offering
33	52	26	23	\$2287



AUGUST 15TH 2021

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Jimmy Williams

Welcome.....Dale Donaghe

893 The Bond Of Love
141 Father Of Mercies

Prayer.....Mike Cottam

747 'Twas On That Hill

Lord's Supper.....Eric Bliss

923 Give Thanks

Offering.....Brian Donaghe

569 Search Me O God

Scripture Reading.....David House

Morning Service.."Taking Up Our Cross Daily"..Roy Senior

456 No Tears In Heaven
745 Where Could I Go

Closing Prayer.....Jerry Hopkins

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Aug 15th Morning Class @ 9:30
 Worship @ 10:30 AM
 Potluck & Devo directly following AM Service

16th School Starts

18th Evening Service 6:30PM

21st Men's Breakfast @ 8:30AM

MONTHLY POTLUCK IS TODAY

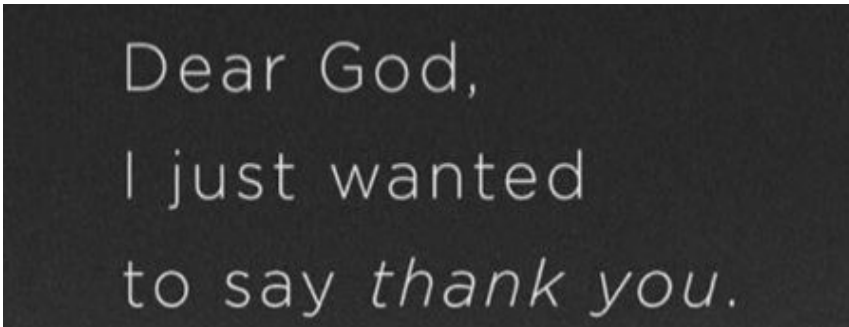
The monthly potluck is today after morning services. If you have any questions, please see Jinny Donald. A devo will directly follow the potluck and conclude services for the day.

LADIES PRAYER SERVICE

There will be a ladies prayer service at noon this Tuesday in the fellowship hall. Please bring your lunch! All ladies are welcome to attend.

THANK YOU

With loving gratitude, I would like to thank the following members for their generous giving of themselves to the Meals on Wheels ministry: Bob & Robin Murray, Sandy Hopkins, Russell & Anne Capshaw, Bob & Jinny Donald, Diane Hemeon, Carol Quesnel, Roy Senior & Shannon Cottam. These meals are greatly appreciated by those who receive them. Love Ethel Johnson
And from everyone~ thank you Ethel for coordinating this event! You truly have a servants heart.



PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

- Peyton, Jerry & Sandy Hopkins** great granddaughter had another heart surgery this past Friday. There were many complications & it lasted 17 hours instead of 6. She is a fighter & was finally in recovery early Saturday morning. Please keep her and the extended family in your prayers. She will have a long recovery following this surgery.
- Jan Hayes** husband **Jerry** came home last Sunday. Please keep him in your prayers. Also remember **Shauna** as she starts treatment very soon.
- Dale & Sharon Donaghe's** granddaughter **Evie** is doing much better, fully recovered from her cold & back to her old self. Prayers were answered!
- Diane Hemeon's** granddaughter **Savannah, Roy Senior's** grandson **Mason & Cliff Downing's** son **John** & his wife **Jessica** have COVID19. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Dave Gastellum & Cheryl Bliss's** cousin **Kim Passmore** has uterine cancer. Please keep her & the family in your prayers. Also please keep **Dave & Kris's** daughter **Emily** in your prayers. She is due any day with their 2nd grandbaby.
- Shelli Donald** requests prayers for **Colby** and his team as well as all of the firefighters dealing with all of the fires across our state. Please remember them in prayers.
- Dorothy Cunningham** is struggling a bit after her surgery. Please continue to keep her & Bill in your prayers as they wait for the next step in this process.
- Please continue to keep **Judith Scharnagel** in your prayers with her daily struggles and her health issues.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Hope is not a fragile wish or a dream that fades with time - it's an anchor of the soul, held secure by the unchangeable promises of God.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

We who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast. ~ Hebrews 6:18-19

ENCOURAGING WORDS

The Influence of Hope!

The writer of Hebrews utilized several nautical illustrations to help us grasp the importance of the Christian faith. For example, in chapter two, the writer warns the listener to pay close attention to the things taught, lest he **drift** away. Later, the writer notes how the hope of God's promises can be seen as an **anchor** to the soul. In terms of fishermen or sailors, the anchor can be seen as one of the most vital tools of the ship. It is used to help the crew remain in one place without drifting too far away from the desired location. Surely, there is nothing more stabilizing and weighted for a Christian than the hope that is found in God.

Paul was a great example of how he let his hope influence his perspective on his current situations. It may be that the true test of living a life in hope will come down to the point of dying in hope. There is no one who knows the attribute of hope more intimately than the one who is staring death in the face. The death of Christ and many of His martyrs live as a living testimony to the greatness that awaited them.

Hope is seen as an anchor, an attribute of faith, and a way of life. Through various writers of the New Testament and the collection of the 27 books, hope is seen as a common thread. In books as small as Jude and Philemon, to books as deep as Revelation and Romans, hope is present. In simplistic forms such as Luke or 1 Corinthians, hope is set as a reminder. Few studies in Christian theology carry with it the gravity that hope does. No matter the writer and its context, each follower of Jesus found comfort, confidence, and encouragement in the hope that is only exclusive to the faith of the Messiah!

R. Senior