

2021
STANDING FIRM IN THE LORD

Sowing the Seed

Luke 8:4-10

Parable: A simple story used to illustrate a _____ or _____ lesson, as told by Jesus in the Gospels.

- Stories make truth _____ – place a “hook” in our mind.
- Stories make truth _____ – applied to ourselves.
- Jesus often uses examples and metaphors that people were _____ with.

A farmer went out to sow his seed...

- Some fell along path – _____ on – birds _____ it.
- Some land on rocky soil – no - _____ – _____ and die.
- Some fell with thorns – thorns grew and _____ plants.
- Some fell on “good soil” – produced a _____ a hundred times what was sown.

Parable Explained....

- Devil takes away the Word from their _____.
- They have no root – fall away in times of _____.
- Choked away by life’s worries, riches, and pleasures. Do not _____.
- Those who hear the Word – retain it – _____.

Hearing the Word means to listen, understand, _____!

When the words of Jesus are sown into a good heart, God does something that only _____ can do!

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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.

Wednesday

Bible Classes for all ages	6:30 p.m.
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ELDERS AND STAFF

Elders

Eric Bliss	757-6338	Dale Donaghe	315-4847
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The Elders meet on Sunday morning before services

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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
Kim Bower

ELDER for March	Eric Bliss
LADIES COMMITTEE for March	Alora Cottam



MARCH 13TH 2022

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Russell Capshaw

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

842 A Common Love
17 All People That On Earth

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

359 Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

Lord’s Supper.....Jerry Hopkins

923 Give Thanks

Offering.....Bob Murray

929 Glorify Your Name

Scripture Reading.....Dave Gastellum


Morning Service.....”Sowing The Seed” with Roy Senior

584 Softly And Tenderly
805 I Come To The Garden

Closing Prayer.....Brian Donaghe

Evening Service.....5:00 PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

- Mar.13th** Morning Class @ 9:30 AM
Worship @ 10:30 AM
Melodee Rose Capshaw's birthday
Evening Service @ 5 PM
- 15th Dave Gastellum's birthday
- 16th Wednesday Evening Service @ 6:30 PM
- 17th St. Patricks' Day 
- 19th Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM



THOUGHT FOR TODAY

If you sit down crying because the sun has set, you miss the privilege of seeing the stars. Sorrow for what you have lost should not make you neglect that which comes in its place.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him! ~Psalms 34:8

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

Rene' Jones, a friend of **Cheryl Bliss's** who had been battling cancer for a long time passed away this past Monday. Please keep her family in your prayers.

-Please continue to keep all those affected in the Ukraine and surrounding areas in your prayers. **Polly Baldwin's** cousin & family were escorted to Romania by another missionary & are now working with other refugees. Please keep **Tracy Bower's** friends & acquaintances in your prayers.

-Please keep **Mike Loney, Marvin & Mary's** youngest son, in your prayers. He is suffering with heart issues as well as kidney issues.

-**Russell Capshaw** asked for prayers for his friends, the Hernandez family who recently lost their son **Moses**. Please keep them in your prayers.

-**Laura Crownover** was under the weather last week. Please keep her in your prayers.

-**Diane Hemeon** was not feeling well last week please keep her, **Holly & Pam** in your prayers.

-**Dale Donaghe** had a bad reaction to a vaccine last week. It was good to see him here Wednesday night. Please keep him in your prayers.

-**Judith Scharnagel** is really struggling with shoulder & neck pain. Please keep her & **Karen** in your prayers. **Judith** is to leave for **Nan's** next week. Please pray for safe travel.

-**Jan Hayes** is to have cataract surgery soon. Please keep her in your prayers.

-Please continue to keep **Kay & Tom Gastellum** as well as **Mary Bliss** in your prayers. **Dave Gastellum, Eric & Cheryl Bliss** are taking such good care of them in their later years. God bless them!

-Please keep **Dorothy & Bill Cunningham** in your prayers.

-Please continue to keep **Buzz & David House** in your prayers.

-Please continue to keep the following loved ones in your prayers as they receive treatments for their cancer: **Mike Cottam's** friend **Robert, Sharon's** cousin's husband **Doug, Shawna Shell, Rick Ibarra & Kim Passmore**.

ENCOURAGING WORDS

Where are the Instruments?

One of the first questions that often runs through the mind of a first-time visitor to the church of Christ is, "Where are the instruments?" Asking this question is understandable, as it's very common to find mechanical instruments in many church assemblies today. Is there a simple explanation for this? There certainly is. The mechanical instrument of music is in the same place as other things that have not been authorized by God. Consider these examples.

The instrument is in the same place as Noah being permitted to use cedar wood in building the ark. God specified gopherwood as the wood for constructing the ark ([Gen. 6:14](#)). By specifying gopherwood, God automatically excluded all other woods, without needing to say another word about it.

The instrument is in the same place as Oreos and milk being permitted to be used in the Lord's Supper. God specified unleavened bread and fruit of the vine in the remembrance of the Lord's body and blood ([Matt. 26:17, 26-29](#)). By specifying unleavened bread and fruit of the vine, God automatically excluded all other foods from the communion, without needing to say another word about it.

Apply this same Biblical principle to music in New Testament worship. In reading the New Testament, the only music that God ever specifically authorized is "singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" ([Eph. 5:19](#)) Man has no authority to add to or take away from what God authorizes, therefore, by specifying singing in New Testament worship, God automatically excluded all other music from worship, without needing to say another word about it. Singing is authorized. Mechanical instruments are not.

R. Senior