

**2023**  
**SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE**

**That's Not Fair**  
 Psalms 89:8-18

As Christians, we know that life isn't always fair, but God is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ in the Vineyard (Matt. 20:1-16)

\*Jesus didn't say what the kingdom of the \_\_\_\_\_ was like, He said what the kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_ is like!

A LESSON ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_: It's never too \_\_\_\_\_ to come to God.

\* The Creator is \_\_\_\_\_ all to work in His vineyard!

A LESSON ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_: All who respond to God's invitation will receive all there is to \_\_\_\_\_!

•\*Our "denarius" is a personal relationship with Jesus Christ that lasts \_\_\_\_\_.

\*Wherever Jesus is, that's a form of \_\_\_\_\_!

\*Eternal life – \_\_\_\_\_ life.

\*Eternal life – Christians experience \_\_\_\_\_!

A LESSON ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_: God is \_\_\_\_\_; He has the right to do whatever He \_\_\_\_\_ to do.

\*Grace sometimes disturbs our sense of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

A LESSON ABOUT \_\_\_\_\_: Be thankful for God's blessings without \_\_\_\_\_ yourself to others.

\* Comparison can be \_\_\_\_\_ to the soul.

\*Jonah – pouted and complained that God had \_\_\_\_\_ Nineveh.

\*Older brother to the Prodigal Son – complained about the grace given to his \_\_\_\_\_ brother.

\*The Lord's church is \_\_\_\_\_ church!

The "so what" of this parable. God has been unreasonably generous to \_\_\_\_\_, now you are blessed to be unreasonably generous to \_\_\_\_\_!

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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.

**ELDERS AND STAFF**

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**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

Bible Hour  
 Tracy Bower

ELDER for July Eric Bliss  
 LADIES COMMITTEE for July Cheryl Bliss



**JULY 30 2023**

**Order Of Worship**  
 Song Leader: Russell Capshaw

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

732 We Praise Thee, O God  
 141 Father Of Mercies

Prayer.....Kevin Thompson

384 Lead Me To Calvary

Lord's Supper.....Dale Donaghe

613 Take My Life And Let It Be

Offering.....Bob Murray

712 Unto The Hills

Scripture Reading.....Shawn Johnson

Morning Service....."That's Not Fair" .....Roy Senior

255 I Am Resolved  
 523 Our God, He Is Alive

Closing Prayer.....Jerry Hopkins

Evening Services..... 5 PM

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**July 30th** Morning Class @ 9:30 AM  
Worship @ 10:30 AM  
Jimmy Williams Memorial Service @ 3 PM  
Evening Worship @ 5 PM  
**Aug 2nd** Prayer Service @ 6:30 PM  
**5th** Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM

**SERVICES FOR JIMMY WILLIAMS**

Services for Jimmy Williams are this afternoon @ 3 pm. A reception will directly follow in the fellowship hall.

**PLACING MEMBERSHIP**

Catherine Aquino & her daughter Takara would like to place membership with us. We won't see them for a couple weeks as they are still getting settled. They went out to the Bridge House last week & were great assets. Please welcome them in next time you see them! Oh, and she goes by Cat!

**BOB MURRAY**

The Elders have put forth Bob Murray's name for Deacon. If you have any questions, please see one of the Elders.

**THANK YOU**

Dear Church family,

Thank you for your prayer grams, prayers and well wishes as I recover from my fall. The Lord had His hand upon me through all and I'm grateful to each and every one of you. You are all a blessing to me and I love you all very much.

In Christ, Loretta \*This note is posted in the foyer\*

**THANK YOU**

Dear Church,

Thank you so much for all the kind words & encouragement. I really appreciate the money. It will be very useful when school starts in the fall. I love being a part of this church & appreciate you all. Sincerely, Ty Jacobs

**PRAYER IS IMPORTANT**

-Please continue to keep the family of **Veda Battison** in your prayers following their loss. **Shawn** asked that we keep **Alec & Kassie** in your prayers as they are having a hard time with this loss as well as **Shawn's** sister **Brenda**.  
-Please keep **Diane Hemeon's** son **Scott Lueck** in your prayers. He had emergency surgery a week ago Saturday to remove his foot. Please keep the extended family in your prayers. Also, remember **Pam** as she is recovering from her surgery well.  
-Please keep **Ann Thompson** in your prayers. She is battling a cold & cough.  
-**Alora Cottam** asked for prayers as she goes through a battery of tests. Cancer has been ruled out, than goodness. Please keep her in your prayers.  
-Please keep **Debbie T Nelson** in your prayers as she returned to ARK. this past week. She is also having trouble with her eyes.  
-Please continue to keep **Danny Donaghe** in your prayers following his heart transplant. He is having some trouble with his back after being in bed for so long. Keep **Dale & Sharon** in your prayers as well as they care for **Sharon's** dad **Robert**.  
-Continued prayers for **David House** as he deals with a number of health issues.  
-Please keep **Mike Loney** in your prayers. He is home. Also remember **Rebecca** as she looks after him.  
-Please keep **David, Roy's** friend from the alley in your prayers. We haven't seen him for a while.  
-It was nice to have 3 visitors from the Bridge House here with us last Sunday. Welcome **Alecia, Cheryl, & Rita**.

**THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

In reading the lives of great men, I found that the first victory they won was over themselves. ~ *Harry S. Truman*

**SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY**

*A fool always loses his temper and displays his anger, BUT a wise man uses self-control and holds it back.* ~ **Proverbs 29:11**

**ENCOURAGING WORDS**

**Hold On!**

In the early 2000s, Everest: Beyond the Limit was released on the discovery channel. This documentary follows a group of individuals as they make the astonishing trek up the 29,000' mountain. When the team got near to the summit, they were forced to **hold on** to a rope that guided them through incredibly treacherous weather. The wind was barreling, the snow was kicking up, and the oxygen was getting thinner. Submitting the mountain got increasingly more difficult with each step they took.

The Hebrew writer uses the word "hold on" or "hold fast" three times in his letter. As we dig our boots into the terrain beneath us and focus our attention to the top of the mountain, it is imperative that we **"hold on"** to what God has given us as a safety rope.

**Hold on to your Confidence** (Heb. 3:6) – We are commanded to **hold on** to the confidence "until the end." Our world and our days are violent against us, acting as the enemy of our faith. If we loosen our grip on the confidence of our hope in Jesus, we are liable to fall victim to the storm.

**Hold on to your Conviction** (Heb. 3:14) – Like 3:6, the writer tells us to "hold fast until the end." With that mountain top in sight, we must remember the conviction/assurance we have found in God. The previous verse (3:13) tells us that it is sin that once again discourages us from strengthening our grip on God. Your conviction and trust in God is that which can enable you to weather the treacherous storm of sin and discouragement.

**Hold on to your Confession** (Heb. 10:23) – "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful." It is in that hope that we can persevere and press forward even when times are seemingly unbearable.

One of the most striking images on Everest is the permanent memorials of bodies who fell under the pressure of the climb and are now frozen into the side of the mountain. Unfortunately, when we look around, we see a similar landscape of bodies who have let go and given up. Do not give up! The summit is near and encouragement from others is here.