

2024

UNITED TOGETHER WITH CHRIST

Developing Our Spiritual Maturity”

Ephesians 4:11-16

Our standard of spiritual growth and development..... (1 Pet. 2:2-3)

- Isn't other Christians - we don't compare _____ to _____!
Our standard is _____ Himself! (1 Cor. 13:11; Rom. 8:29)

The First Evidence of Developing Spiritual Maturity is Doctrinal _____.

- Develop a _____ knowledge of His written Word. (1 Tim. 4:16)
We read the Bible not just for _____ but for _____!
Children can be 'fickle' and easily _____. (Eph. 4:14)
Many adults don't grow out of this aspect of _____. (2 Tim. 4:23)

The Second Evidence of Developing Spiritual Maturity is Genuine _____

- Genuine relationships involve speaking the truth in _____.
Truth without love promotes _____ brand of self-righteousness.
Tell them the truth of _____ they need to hear. (Prov. 27:56)
Some would rather be " _____ " than pay the cost of being true friends.

The Third Evidence of Spiritual Maturity is _____ in the Body of Christ.

- Three key words: " _____ " - " _____ " " _____ ." (Eph. 4:16)
Christianity is not a _____ sport.
The "Body" grows as _____ members grow.
God didn't save you to set on a pew; He saved you to _____! (1Cor. 15:58)

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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
Kim Bower

ELDER for Feb. Dale Donaghe
LADIES COMMITTEE for Feb. Cheryl Bliss



FEBRUARY 18TH, 2024

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Ryan Bliss

Welcome.....Dale Donaghe

849 Enter His Gates
207 Hark The Gentle Voice

Prayer.....Mike Darnton

325 In Memory Of The Saviors Love

Lord's Supper.....Mike Cottam

394 Leaning On The Everlasting Arms

Offering.....Mike Bryant

669 This Is My Father's World

Scripture Reading.....Jerry Hopkins

Morning Service....."Developing Our Spiritual Maturity"..... with Roy Senior

824 I'll Fly Away
884 Teach Me Lord To Wait

Closing Prayer.....Bob Donald

Potluck directly following morning worship.....

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

ENCOURAGING WORDS

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Feb. 18th Morning Class @ 9:30 AM
 Worship @ 10:30 AM
 Potluck Directly Following Morning Worship

21st Evening Service @ 6:30 PM

24th Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM
 Bridge House Meal Outreach
 Ryan Bliss's birthday

MONTHLY POTLUCK

Our monthly potluck is today following morning services. If you have any questions, please see Cheryl Bliss. A short devo will follow the potluck & conclude services for the day.

BRIDGE HOUSE MEAL SIGNUPS

There are Bridge House signup sheets in the foyer for the meal that is to be served Saturday the 24th. Please take a minute & see how you can help.

LADIES LUNCHEON

The Ladies Luncheon has been postponed until March 2nd due to scheduling conflicts & Lynn's illness. The same menu is still being served. Please make sure Lynn knows you are coming for a good count.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

It takes just one star to pierce a universe of darkness.
 Never give up.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

For you were once darkness, BUT now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light -for the fruit of the light consists of all goodness, righteousness and truth. ~ **Ephesians 5:8-9**

-**Martha Kretzinger** passed away this past Monday. Please keep her son **Rik** & daughter **Debbie** in your prayers as they grieve the loss of their mother. **Martha** was a member here with us for 40+ years & will be missed dearly.

-Please keep **Richard Eatmon** in your prayers. He will have an ablation the 26th of this month. Prayers for a swift recovery.

-Please keep **the Donaghe family** in your prayers. Services for Sharon's dad **Robert Summers** are today @ 1:30 @ the Presbyterian church with a reception to follow.

-**Debbie Nelson** had prayers of thanksgiving for her daughter **Laurie Denham**. Tests show she is cancer free. God is good!

-**Laura Crownover's** sister **Ruthie's** surgery went well. She will have another surgery the 27th of this month. Please keep the family in your prayers.

-Please keep the family of **Diane Hemeon** in your prayers for her daughter **Holly** & grandson **Jordan** & the accident they had. Prayers for healing for the family.

-Please keep **Jerry & Sandy Hopkins** in your prayers. **Sandy's** surgery went well & she is home recovering. Please remember her & **Jerry** as they navigate this next few weeks. Also, keep their son **Tyler** in your prayers as he recovers from a double hernia surgery.

-Please keep **Lynn Nothstein** in your prayers as she recovers from a sinus infection, Please keep **Bob, Jinny & Shelli in your prayers as they recover from illnesses.**

-Please keep **Bob & Robin Murray** in your prayers. **Bob** will have surgery on his wrist this Wednesday. He is currently testing positive for COVID. Also, please keep their daughter **Bonnie** in your prayers as she is scheduled for surgery Feb. 27th. Please pray for a favorable outcome & a speedy recovery. Finally, **Bonnie's** father in law is very ill. Please keep him in your prayers as well.

-**Ann Thompson** had prayers of thanksgiving for her daughter getting her dream job. She will finally get an engineer's salary for her work!

-**Jan Hayes** wants to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards & calls over these past few weeks while she was so ill. She also asks for prayers for her friend who is having back & spine issues which gives her trouble walking. Please keep her in prayers.

-**Shawn B Johnson's** daughter **Kassie** had surgery this past week. Please keep her in your prayers for a full recovery. Also, please keep **Shawn B Johnson** in your prayers as she has a pre-op appt. for her upcoming surgery next week. Her surgery is scheduled for March 26th. Finally, please keep **Shawn's** son **Alec's** dad in your prayers. He had a stroke & his kidneys & liver are failing. Please keep him in your prayers through this health struggle.

-Please keep **Zach, David Senior's** friend, in your prayers. He is a 10 yr. old child having a major surgery. This will be an ongoing process every 3 months until he is 20 yrs. old. Please keep him & his grandma **Dana** in your prayers.

Our Omnipotent God

The most powerful bomb ever detonated on earth was the Tsar Bomba carried out by Russia on October 30, 1961. According to Britannica.com, "...it was modified to yield 50 megatons...about 3,800 times the strength of the U.S. bomb dropped on Hiroshima during World War II.

Man has become exceedingly powerful over the last 150 years. As we look at the destruction occurring around the world today, it causes concern, but we must never forget that none of the weapons of mass destruction man has developed can compare to the creative power of God. While the Lord could destroy the universe in an instant, what is even more awe-inspiring is that He created the universe with all of its beauty and complexity in six days!

Destruction has always been easier than creating something new. What is more impressive: the child who kicks over the sandcastle, or the child who built it? Not only did God create our world, He created everything in it, everything sustaining it, and everything surrounding it. God, the Almighty created it all. Our God is omnipotent. The word *omnipotent* comes from *omni-* meaning "all" and *potent* meaning "power." As with the attributes of omniscience and omnipresence, it follows that, if God is infinite, and if He is sovereign, which we know He is, then He must also be omnipotent. He has all power over all things at all times and in all ways. There is nothing our God cannot do that is in accordance with His nature. All things exist and persist by His mighty hand.

The prophet Jeremiah said, "Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you. **(Jer. 32:17)**

God is the one who crafted the atoms that were fused in the Tsar Bomba. Without God, there is no existence. Our God is omnipotent. He is all powerful. Nothing is too hard for Him. He alone is worthy of our praise and devotion. If we have given our lives to Him, then nothing of this world should cause us to fear.

R. Senior