March 5, 2023

A.M. Worship 90 Contribution \$5.758.00 Weekly Budget \$5,653.00

## THOSE WHO SERVE

March 12 March 19

**LOCK BUILDING** 

Gerry Austin **Gerry Austin** 

**PROJECTOR AM** 

**Curtis Sanford Ethan Anderson Quincey Trammel Brian Casey** 

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Stephen Bailey James Carr

**FIRST PRAYER** 

Kim Smith Joel Sarabia

**LORD'S SUPPER** 

John Trammel Michael Welch Sean Alsobrook Rick Arnold Justin Alsobrook Carl Barrow Kim Smith D.D. Lindsey **Quincey Trammel** Joe Davis Larry Timaeus Rick Arnold Caleb Griffith William Stidman Drew Stidman Randy Wilkinson James Carr **Curtis Sanford** Gary Faycosh Kyle Teat

**CLOSING COMMENTS** 

Jeff King Jeff King

**CLOSING PRAYER** 

James Henry Scott Ratcliff

> **EVENING PROJECTOR PM**

Joel Sarabia Shane Young Jeff King Walter Anderson

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

David Johnson **Curtis Sanford** 

**FIRST PRAYER** 

Kim Smith James Henry

**LORD'S SUPPER** 

**Curtis Sanford** John Trammel **Gerry Austin** Carl Barrow

**CLOSING PRAYER** 

Michael Welch Dan Talbot

# **Wednesday Night with** the Master



March 8<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.

Bring your brown bag meal and come enjoy the fellowship.

# **MARCH 12, 2023**

**GREETERS** 

Gerry & Sharon Austin March 12 Doris Burnett & Lucille Hudgins

D.D. & Francene Lindsev

James & Christina Henry March 19

Curtis & Tammy Sanford Dan & Roberta Talbot

**MONITORS** 

March 12 David Johnson **Carl Barrow** March 19

**MEN TO COUNT CONTRIBUTIONS** 

March 12 & 19 Kim Smith & D.D. Lindsey

**SPECIAL SERVICE** 

**Communion Preparation** The Austin's Clean Communion Trays The Austin's

SONG LEADERS

March:

12 Stan Murray

19 Walter Anderson 26 Michael Welch

April:

2 Scott Ratcliff **9** Richard Thompson

**16** Sean Alsobrook 23 Stan Murray

30 Walter Anderson

May:

7 Michael Welch 14 Scott Ratcliff

**21** Richard Thompson **28** Sean Alsobrook

**Curtis Sanford** Scott Ratcliff William Stidman Jeff King

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Walter Anderson

Davis Smith

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John Trammel

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Impact made over \$55,000 at their sale this past weekend.

# WORKDAY

Thank you to Walter & Gayla Anderson, James Carr, Barbara Filipp, Jeff, Carol & Melissa King, David Olmos, Curtis & Tammy Sanford, William Stidman, John Trammel for helping complete projects that needed to be done at our building. Not all the projects were completed, so we have more work to do.

# **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH THE MASTER **ACTIVITIES & BIBLE STUDY** 

9:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

> 5:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M.

6:30, 7:00 P.M.

### From the Preacher's Desk

"I Love Mondays...Sometimes!"

Life can sometimes become so busy that we have to inventory everything that we are doing, in hopes to find some relief. As we comb through our day-to-day activities. whether we realize it or not, we are prioritizing things based

importance. We might mutter things like, "I can't cancel that," or, "I don't want to let that go," while searching with crossed fingers for something we can abandon to feel a sense of liberation. Last night I experienced one of these moments.

Monday is one of my favorite days of the week. I have the whole week ahead of me, plenty of time to get all the work that I need to get done: my two sermons, two Bible studies, bulletin articles, and any other church-related activities. So, I don't dread Monday I look forward to them. This past Monday was different. Instead of feeling relaxed, I felt overwhelmed. I had my regular work, but more personal work than I'd ever had before, which made me feel like I was drowning. So, I sat down and took inventory of everything going on. I wondered, "was there something that I could take out, or push to another week, that might ease some of the stress?"

This is where I want to offer a bit of encouragement, and it's a lesson in our hearts, more than anything. Every first day of the week we are commanded to give to God. 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 says, "Now concerning the collection for the saints: as I directed the churches in Galatia, so you also are to do. On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper so that there will be no collecting when I come." Most Christians don't struggle with the act of giving, they struggle with their heart toward giving. With everything going on in our lives, with bills, loans, and credit cards, on top of our basic needs, it can be difficult to sacrifice to God. We might even pass the collection plate with our heads hung low, whispering internally, "Just didn't have anything left this week," as if we are trying to explain ourselves to the Lord. However, did God come first for you the past week? Did we not have enough to give Sunday morning because we spent it all the week before? We need to set aside for God first, and then figure out how to live on everything we have left. This is what the Bible teaches in Matthew 6:33, "But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

As I sat staring at my long list of "things to do," I split the tasks into two sections: things done for God, and things that are done for everybody else. I wanted to apply the same attitude and logic I have when giving to God. Allow me to cast the first stone and say I've been guilty before of sacrificing work to the Lord because I didn't have time for everything else I wanted, and that's not the right attitude. God should always come first when we give as well as with our work. After choosing God, I was left with a list of personal work to get done. From there I selected those things that were least important and moved them to another week and it helped me remove the stress I was feeling.

Here's the point. I know that with each new week comes more work. It's easy to become overwhelmed to the point of giving up. If you find yourself in that position, stop and evaluate everything you're doing, and determine what you can put off. However, as you look at that list, and make that decision, don't fall victim to choosing God as what you let go. Just like with our weekly offering, set aside what you want to accomplish for the Lord, and with the time you have left, fill in the rest of your week. Side note: after God, make sure you leave time for your family and yourselves, it's the recharge needed to keep going.

One final point, don't assume, when it comes to "church work", that I never say "no" or "I can't right now." You must know your limits. While not sacrificing the work of the Lord is the right attitude, you also want to make sure you're giving him the work he deserves, good, acceptable, and righteous wholehearted work! Before you commit to anything. ask yourself if you can put 100% into it. There are times when I know, I can't add anything more to my plate. I've examined my to-do lists and there just isn't wiggle room. It's okay to say "no," so long as you're not saying "yes" to something in the world. If that's the case, then start back at the beginning and properly prioritize your life again. I hope this has been an encouragement to someone, other than myself. Frankly, this was less a bulletin article and more a personal journal entry. I know I'm guilty of putting too much on my plate, but I'm happy to say I have better control of it today than I did yesterday! If you need a little help, know that I'm always available to give that helping hand. God bless and have a wonderful week!



We will have a JAM (Jesus and Me) for our 2nd through 5th graders on Sunday, March 19, directly following morning services. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sunday, March 19, will be the last day to register

for the Easter retreat at Hensel Christian Youth Camp. To sign up, please follow the link:



https://forms.gle/Qm5U6rMh5tSFaQsk7

If you would like to help sponsor one of our

students or volunteers to go to Camp Hensel, please talk to me. The

cost is \$70 for students and \$55 for adult volunteers— we would hate for money to be the reason someone had to miss out on experiencing God's Word more fully. Thank you for your continued support of our youth, we wouldn't be able to do this without you.

# Meeting

Our next Men's Meeting is scheduled for March 15th, immediately following Wednesday Night with the Master activities and Bible classes. Men, please make plans to attend.

# CAMP BANDINA

Registration has begun! If your child is wanting to go to Camp Bandina, you can register online at bandina-cecilhutsonsession.com.

### FRIENDS COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

Is in need of volunteers on the first Monday of every month. You can also help by making a food or money § donation. If you have any auestions. contact Ann Johnson or Curtis Sanford.



## SYMPATHY

We express our love and sympathy to Dorothy Booth in the loss of her brother-in-law, Bill Turner, who passed away.



Dorothy Booth has been diagnosed with COVID...Melissa King, daughter of Jeff and Carol King, will have a port put in Wednesday...JoAnne Maywald had a procedure last week; she has fluid on her lungs...Kenneth McGrath, husband of Lily McGrath, continues to have pain following back surgery.