

Worship Service

Oct. 23, 2011

Welcome and Call to Worship

153 *Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down*
155 *Highest Place*
227 *On Zion's Glorious Summit*
766 *Open Our Eyes, Lord*
768 *Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You*

Scripture Reading Shepherd's Prayer

276 *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*
382 *Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?*

****Lords Supper ****

All Christians are invited to partake in this feast of remembrance. The bread & fruit of the vine symbolize the body and blood of our Savior who died and was raised for us. In eating together we proclaim our unity with Him and with one another until He comes again.

Children's Bible Hour

290 *Shine Jesus Shine*

Message by Larry Macomber

692 *Change My Heart, O God*

Announcements

250 *The Great Redeemer*

Closing Prayer

Please fill out an attendance card – white for members and gold for visitors. Please place it in the contribution basket when it comes around.

Hearing Devices available in the foyers

Welcome Visitors!!!!

Sermon Notes

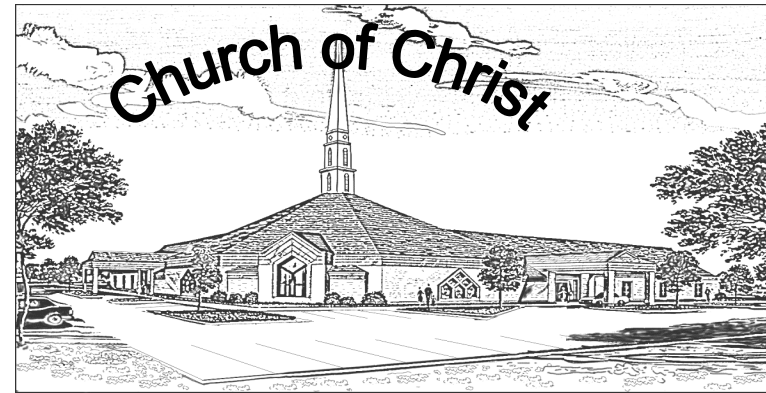
Presented By Larry Macomber

“A city on a hill”

Matthew 5:13-16

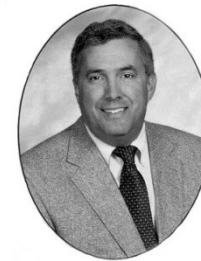
- I. Our identity
- II. Our mission
- III. Our responsibilities

Our only limitation is the size of our faith!



Seek Life - Share Life - Obey One Life
Focusing Our Lives Around ONE Savior, Jesus Christ

Allowing the light to shine



I am sure that all of us at one time or another has received a gift from someone that left us saying “Ah, you really shouldn’t have” all the while really meaning “You really shouldn’t have!” Alan Smith in one of his “Thought for the Day” writes about how one couple received one such gift. They had an aunt who lived far away that gave them as a wedding gift two of the most horrific table lamps. They just couldn’t bring themselves to put these lamps out so they put them in storage and bought a nicer pair for their bedroom. This arrangement worked well until the day they received word from this aunt that she was in town and coming by for a visit. They quickly took the lamps from their bedside tables and placed them under the bed and took the ugly pair of lamps from storage and put them out for display. When the aunt came calling they quickly took her to the bedroom to show her the lamps that she had bought them. When they turned on the lights to their horror they saw a bright light shining out from under the bed! I would guess that the second unexpected glow that filled that bedroom that day was from this newlywed’s red faces.

The primary text that we will be studying this morning is the familiar text from Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount where he tells how no one lights a lamp and then puts it under a bowl. Mark provides us with another occurrence in which Jesus uses the same analogy. It was when his disciples were struggling to understand his use of a parable. He explained to them, “Do you bring in a lamp to put it under a bowl or a bed? Instead, don’t you put it on its stand?” In saying this Jesus was explaining to his disciples that with his use of parables he was not trying to hide the truth, but rather expose it.

Did Jesus come into to this world to have us place him in some distant corner of our lives? Did he take our place on the cross only to have us be so embarrassed about him that we work hard on trying to keep others from knowing that we are Christians? The answer is NO! He willingly stepped out of the shadows from being the son of a carpenter to take the world’s center stage so as to be the light of the world. It is now up to us to allow His light to radiate through us into the darkness that so many around us are living.

Larry Macomber

Pulpit Minister
Larry Macomber

Youth Minister
Johnathan Dobbs

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Harvest House Food Ministry

2204 Nichols
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Open on Wednesdays ONLY
9:00a.m. – 12:00 noon

For the Records October 16, 2011

Bible Study.....131
AM Worship.....225
Wed. (10/12).....127
Love Offering Received.....\$7861.35
Weekly Budget Needed\$7720.94
Budget Year to Date
(Plus+ or Minus -).....\$29,483.47+
Weekly difference.....\$ 701.99+
Missions Offering.....\$ 125.00

Nursery Volunteers Today

Tina Gallo
Lyndee Purswell

There is an attended nursery in room #4. You may stay with your child if you wish, audio feed there.

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday:
Bible Classes9:00a.m.
Worship10:00a.m.
Life Groups & Seekers.....5:00p.m.
Wednesday:
Bible Classes for all ages.....7:00p.m.

Elder of the Month

Willie Rollins
If you have a matter that needs to be brought to the attention of the elders, please talk to the elder of the month.

Prayer List Updates

Rita Rawlings considering treatment options..
Cindy Phillips is taking chemo.
Jimmy Crum doing chemo treatments.
Thomas Petter (Cindy Phillips' brother) esophageal cancer
Matthew Smith is at the Legacy for rehab in #413.
Geordan Burt (G.W. & Tricia Burt's son) waiting for results from the ultrasound done on his kidneys. He has an appt. on Oct. 26th with the specialist.
Kenneth May and his family (Sherri Radford's friend). Is having radiation & chemo to shrink his lung cancer.
Charles Radford (Sherry Radford's brother-in-law) is going to start a second round of chemo soon on his brain cancer.
Christa Sepulveda. (Cathy Lewis' Military Family) now at Triumph Hospital in Sugarland . The Drs say that she is a miracle! They are grateful, beyond words, for all your prayers!
James White is at the Legacy in #414 for rehab.
Denise Pahmiyer (Cathy Lewis' Military Group member) has thyroid cancer.

Martine Finster is home.
Casey Middleton (Troy & Vicky Willauer's friend) will have surgery to remove the masses in her breast.
Sheila Kunz her kidneys are only functioning at 16%. She has to have more tests & another ultrasound.
Tommy Harkey is home. He is on I V antibiotics for the infection in his heart valve. After he regains his strength & some weight the surgeon will either repair or replace his heart valve. He is doing better.
Bertha Williams (Sheila Kunz' mother) will have a heart cath done on Oct. 28th to see where her problem is.
Penny Muston that she get a teaching job locally.
Zachery Payne (Doug & Sandy's 5 yr. old grandson) is having some medical problems checked into.
Mrs. Evans (Savannah Holliday's grandmother) recovering from being run over by her own vehicle & sustained injuries.
Susan Rowland & family (She is a teacher at Bay City.) She has cancer & there is nothing more M.D. Anderson can do. Her husband Joe Rowland is a teacher at Tidehaven.

Pam Hebert (Former member) diagnosed with autoimmune hepatitis. Her immune cells mistake normal liver cells as harmful & attack them. She has an appointment with a specialist on Wednesday to discuss a possible liver biopsy to see how much damage has been done & to discuss treatments.
Cathy Sbrusch, (Karen Cochran's boss) her mother, Jane Beck passed away October 19th in Lufkin, Tx.
Rose Uherek (Jack & Shirley Burt's friend) recovering from hip surgery to replace the ball in her hip socket. She is an Alzheimer's patient in the Sweeny nursing home & fell 2 days ago & broke her hip. She & her daughter, Nova Orr, have visited here at Nichols St several times in the last year or so.

The complete Prayer list is on table at the back of the Auditorium.

Shut-Ins

Sheila Kunz Norma Gates Laura Baker Artie Hicks

Nursing Home

Legacy: Martha Jane Etie #724 Gerry Rogers #214
Marguerite Kettle #216 James White #414
Matthew Smith #413

Independent Living

Copperfield Estates Betty McNeill #238

Upcoming Events

TODAY Protection Policy Training Meeting
Tonight Singing
Oct. 30th 5th Sunday Fellowship with Life Groups
Oct. 31st Trick or Trunk
Nov. 1st Toy Frog Stuffing

Children's Bible Hour & Children & Youth Protection Policy Training Meeting

Today at 1:00 p.m.

This meeting is mandatory for adults and youth, 6th grade and up that are currently helping in Children's Bible Hour and those wanting to begin helping. A parent must attend with a youth wanting to help. This meeting is also for anyone that needs to attend a training over the Children & Youth Protection Policy.

We will be going over the Children & Youth Protection Policy and training our teachers and helpers on how to help during Children's Bible Hour. This will be a great time to ask all of the questions anyone might have. Please plan to attend so that we will know the participation and interest in continuing with this ministry

SINGING SUNDAY NIGHT!!

On Sun. night, Oct. 23rd, we will be having a family-focused singing Sunday night. There will be songs for the kids as well as songs for the adults. We will be singing old favorites and new potential favorites too. This will be a great time to join together in the joy of worship through singing to God. We want to encourage everyone to participate in this night of worship for ALL AGES. We will begin at 5 pm in the auditorium.

Fifth Sunday

There will be no Children's Bible Hour on Oct. 30th due to it being the 5th Sun. of the month.

There will be no Small Groups that day – everyone meets at the church for a Devo at 5:00p.m. It will be followed by a finger food fellowship. Bring sandwiches, chips, desserts, etc.

Bridal Shower for Karen Cochran

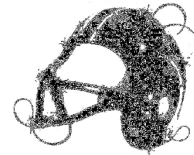
There is a Bridal Shower for Karen Cochran on Sun. Nov. 6th, 3-5pm @ Beverly Ophof's home on 110 Poinsetta, Lake Jackson, TX. Registered at: Walmart, JC Penney, and Bed, Bath, and Beyond. Please RSVP to Beverly by phone at (979)240-1879 or via e-mail at bdophof@gmail.com

New Address

Steven & Jackie Rawlings
P.O. Box 113
Wadsworth, TX 77483

Youth Group News

5th Quarter



On Friday Nov. 4th we have 5th quarter again. Please sign up on the back table for what food you can bring to this. If you'd like to come be eyes and ears for us that night, then you are most welcome! We need many volunteers! If you'd also like to donate to help with some of the cost of this event then that is welcome as well. See Johnathan Dobbs for more info or call him at 559-553-5055 or email him at jddobbs@Verizon.net.

Children's Activities

Trick or Trunk

Our annual Trick or Trunk will be on Monday, October 31st, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Be sure to check out the sign-up sheets on the children's kiosk to see how you can help.

Thank You Note

Thank you all so much for your generous donation of potato salad, beans & cake. Eight ladies & seven children really enjoyed everything. We appreciate your kindness. Genevieve Burrell, Shelter Supervisor

A big THANK YOU to everyone for your prayers & food during my surgery and beginning of recovery. It was wonderful. Please continue your prayers for my having patience in my recovery.

Love ya, Sandra & Doug Anderson

*Dear Christian Family,
Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls & flowers during my stay in the hospital & my return home. I'm slowly improving each day. Thanks also to Larry for the articles that you wrote for the bulletin.*

- 1. In the Light of the Approaching Fire*
- 2. Don't Save it for the Funeral*
- 3. Loving Someone You Can't Stand*

I try to read each of them and the scriptures every day.

Again thank you so much to everyone.

In Christian Love, JoAnn Roots
