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SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

WEB PAGES:

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-David Howard
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Sioux Center, Ia.
-Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, So. America
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia

SEARCH TV

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

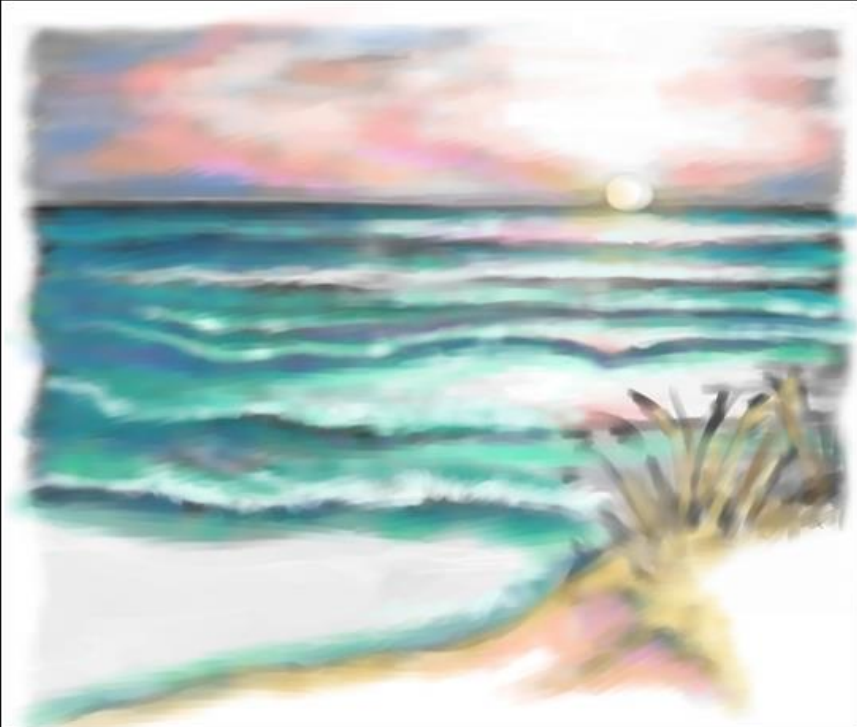
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He is thy praise, and He is thy God,
that hath done for thee
these great and terrible things,
which thine eyes have seen.

Deuteronomy 10:21

We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

How to Be Great in the Kingdom

In Matthew 11:11 Jesus portrayed the wonderful blessings of the kingdom, declaring, “Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.” To be in the kingdom is a great thing. Of all the great personages throughout the Bible such as Abraham, Moses, etc., at that time none had arisen greater than John the Baptist. In fact, Jesus remarked that there had not been a man born of woman (by normal birth – not like the miraculous conception of Jesus) who was greater than John. Yet, the blessings available to Christians today (who are in the kingdom) make the least in the kingdom of heaven greater than John.

Instead of appreciating this truth, the disciples of Jesus were often involved in disputes regarding who would be greatest in the kingdom of heaven (Mark 9:33-35). On one occasion they asked Jesus, “who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” (Matthew 18:1). Our Lord called a little child and set him in the midst of the disciples to teach them that they must be converted and become as little children; the one who humbles himself as a little child is greatest in the kingdom (Matthew 18:2-4). The disciples had not learned the attitude of humility they were to have. Their inclination to pursue the course of pride would creep up again. In the shadow of the cross, when Jesus ate His final Passover supper with the disciples, He revealed to them how one of them would betray Him (Luke 22:21). Their inquiry regarding the identity of the betrayer led to strife among them concerning who should be regarded as the greatest (Luke 22:23-24). Jesus reiterates His teaching about the greatest being servant of all (Luke 22:26-27). He even took this occasion to wash His disciples feet, even the feet of Judas who would soon betray Him (John 13:4-5). Jesus was truly great because He was consumed with serving others. He not only washed the feet of His disciples, but in a few short hours He would give His life for all mankind. Jesus did not live His life here on earth to be served, but to serve and give His life as a ransom for others (Mark 10:45).

As Christians, do we follow our Lord’s example? Jesus showed the way to be the greatest in the kingdom is to be the greatest servant in the kingdom. Colossians 3:12 exhorts, “Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering.” Regrettably, members of the church often become discouraged if others do not praise them for being great. Many are busy “tooting” their own horns. But the greatest servant is so busy serving that he does not think or care about being regarded as great in the eyes of men.

John pointed men to Christ instead of drawing men to himself (John 1:27; 3:26-29). His attitude regarding Christ was, “He must increase, and I must decrease” (John 3:30). As members of the church, we are a part of God’s kingdom with blessings that make us greater than John the Baptist. Do we appreciate our blessings and live accordingly? Or are we like the disciples who, while the Lord is giving everything to them, can only think on how much better they are than everyone else?

–Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

AM- guest speaker: **Derek Dodd**
 PM- *"Is Your Home Being Robbed?"*
 Scripture Reading- Jer. 23:29-32

Ladies Evening Devotional

The August Ladies devotional will be held this Tuesday at 6:30pm in the home of Peggy Little. This is open to all ladies.

Dates to Remember

- Aug 9**- Ice cream & dessert night-7pm-annex
- Aug 11**- Ladies Devotional- 6:30pm at Peggy Little's home
- Aug 16**- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Aug 21-27**- Polishing the Pulpit-Sevierville, TN
- Sep 1**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 8**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 8**- Ladies Devotional- 6:30p- host: Amanda Scott
- Sep 10**- Little School Orientation- 7pm
- Sep 12**- Men's Leadership training- Stephen Rogers- 4 sessions- lunch provided-RSVP
- Sep 13**- Potluck luncheon-12pm- annex
- Sep 13-16**- Gospel Meeting-Stephen Rogers
- Sep 17**- FBI fall class begins-annex- 7pm
- Sep 20**- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Sep 22**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Sep 29**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 6**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 11**- Michael Mayo (Thailand)- AM service
- Oct 13**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 13**- Ladies Devotional- 6:30p- host: Sherry Sturgill
- Oct 18**- Elders, Preachers, Deacons Meet-4:30
- Oct 20**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Oct 25**- Trunk O' Treat & chili supper- 7pm
- Oct 27**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 1**- Bring A Friend Day
- Nov 1**- Potluck luncheon- 12pm-annex
- Nov 3**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex
- Nov 10**- Prime-timers- 10am- annex

Ice Cream & Dessert Night

Everyone is invited to attend this potluck event in the annex following evening service tonight. Bring your favorite ice cream, toppings or other dessert to share.

Elders, Deacons, Preachers Meet

Next Sunday at 4:30pm, this group will meet in the annex large classroom.

Save the Dates Sept. 12-17

Steven Rogers from Washington Avenue church of Christ in Evansville Indiana, will be with us for 6 days of special meetings and lessons. Saturday, **Sept. 12**, Brother Rogers will conduct a Men's Day Seminar on Leadership in the Church, 4 sessions with lunch provided and an RSVP (on the foyer board) is requested. **Sept. 13-16** will be our Gospel Meeting on 'How to be a Good Follower' with 10am classes Mon.-Wed. on 'Life's Challenges'. The week will end with the FBI class beginning on **Sept. 17** on 'Leadership in the Church.' Classes will be each Thursday through Dec 12 and are a continuation of the seminar topic. A list of topics for the seminar and FBI class is available. Sign up on the foyer board.

**Have you contacted
a shut-in lately?
Why not today?**



Gauging Our Faith

	08/02/15	Goal	08/03/14
Bible Study	86	110	94
AM Worship	135	150	140
PM Worship	91	110	113
Mid Week	95	110	101
Contribution:	\$6293.00	\$5500.00	\$7226.13

☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER:

AM: Steve Wallace

PM: Chris Scott

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Danny Stone

PM: Phil Degelia

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Jordan Conley

Assisting: Jeremiah Smith,
Nathan Parks, Bob Tushay,
Michael Perry, Adam Gullett,
Mitch Stafford, Will Scott

Presiding PM: David Smith

Assisting: Roy Murphy

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Chris Scott

PM: Don Music

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Nathan Parks

PRAYER: Jerry Sturgill

DEVOTIONAL: Bobby Edmonds

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

RECORDING ASSIST: Chris Scott

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Nathan Parks

ATTENDANCE: David Castle

COORDINATOR: Brad Morris

Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a *first-time visitor* with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with **free tracts and literature**. We also have **Bible correspondence courses** you can sign up to receive by mail **at no cost to you**. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an **in-home Bible study**.

Thank you for attending.

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★ Every Sunday ★

Pew Packers

at 5:45pm-

in the front of
the auditorium

-geared to age 12 & under,
but everyone is
invited to attend.

Boys have a song ready
to lead for the group.

