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SERVICES

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

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MISSIONS

-Jerry Sturgill
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Suriname, SA
-Michael Mayo
Thailand, SE Asia
-Herman Joseph
Guyana, SA
-Mohamed Ally
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-“In Search of the Lord’s
Way” TV broadcast

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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Comfort yourselves



together, and edify
one another...

1 Thessalonians 5:11

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!

Twisting Grace and Denying Lordship

Jude was very eager to write about the salvation he shared with other saints, but a more pressing matter deserved attention: adversaries of the truth had crept into the church and the faithful needed to be encouraged to contend for the faith (Jude 3-4). What were these ungodly men, who pretended to be Christians, teaching? Verse 4 mentions they turned God's grace into lasciviousness, and denied the lordship of Jesus Christ.

God's grace is not a license to sin. Grace is so wonderful and essential to our having any hope of salvation, but it teaches us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly (Titus 2:11-12). People today are not too different from those in Jude's day. Our sexually permissive society has promoted sensuality and lusts for years. Fornication has been glorified on television and in movies for generations. The internet abounds with sexually explicit images to which many become addicted. Instead of following God's plan for marriage—a man and a woman joined together for life—marriage has become whatever people want to make it. If someone feels that another person will make them happy, then marriage is disposable. If two people of the same gender want to be married, the courts all across our nation will declare them to be so, against the will of God. Sexual perversions are being pushed on children at the youngest ages.

Sadly, people who claim to be Christians have twisted the Scriptures to say that none of these practices are condemned. They have rooted out any authoritative aspect of the Bible on one's sexual practices by constructing theories never stated in the text in attempt to change the clear meaning of God's word. When self-proclaimed experts in Christian teaching reject God's clearly stated sexual ethic and pervert God's word to promote their own sexual ethic formed by the popular thinking of the day, is God still Lord of their lives? No. They may have claimed Jesus is Lord, but in reality—by their constant twisting of His words to fit their agenda—they are not at all submitting to the lordship of Jesus.

Twisting God's word to save your own conscience does not really change His will. God will judge each man according to his works by the standard of His word (Jn. 12:48; Rev. 20:12). Jude goes on to give the example of Sodom and Gomorrah in verse 7. The inhabitants of these cities are presently undergoing the punishment of eternal fire to serve as an example to us. God destroyed these cities because their sin was very grievous to Him (Gen. 18:20). Jude 7 says Sodom and Gomorrah gave themselves over to fornication. While the men of Sodom were in Lot's face with their sin, violent and demanding about it (Gen. 19), Jude mentions the reason for punishment was pursuing unnatural desire, (strange flesh). It was not merely the violence in their lusts that God condemned. In their fornication, they went after a different kind other than God's natural order. The men of Sodom went after other men to fulfill their lusts.

As Jude charged the original recipients of his letter, we today must contend earnestly for the once-for-all delivered faith. We must not allow the gospel to be distorted into a license to sin. As Christians, all of us must submit to the lordship of Jesus regarding sexual ethics and marriage lest we face the judgment of God (Heb. 13:4). Be mindful: God's warnings about judgment apply not only to the confusion and unnatural desires absorbing the interest of so many presently (Rom. 1:26-27), but also to heterosexual fornication (1 Cor. 5:1-13), and even to lust in the heart (Mt. 5:27-30). Is Jesus Lord of your life in this area? If not, repent and receive God's grace.

- Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons Today

10:45AM: The Right Person for the Time

6:00PM: God's Loyalty and the Everlasting Covenant

Scripture Reading: Ezekiel 16:60-63

60-"Nevertheless I will remember My covenant with you in the days of your youth, and I will establish an everlasting covenant with you. **61-**Then you will remember your ways and be ashamed, when you receive your older and your younger sisters; for I will give them to you for daughters, but not because of My covenant with you. **62-**And I will establish My covenant with you. Then you shall know that I am the Lord, **63-**that you may remember and be ashamed, and never open your mouth anymore because of your shame, when I provide you an atonement for all you have done," says the Lord God.

Dates to Remember:

May 13- Little School graduation- 7p

May 15- potluck luncheon- annex- 12p- Lads 2 Leaders recognition

May 15-Early bird camp registration deadline

May 15-elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p

May 27- ladies luncheon- location tbd-12:30p

May 28- Layne & Houston Williams wedding reception at the Adkins home in Ohio- sign up on the foyer board to RSVP

May 29- potluck -Goshorn send-off-anx- 12p

Jun 1- Goshorns' send off prayer service

Jun 4- Davis Brown's graduation party- 1p- annex- everyone is invited

Jun 4- Lily Parks' graduation party- 3p- at her home in Argillite- everyone is invited

Jun 5- Mark Day Masters celebration-annex- 7p

Jul 25-29- Vacation Bible School

Attendance & Contribution Goals

	04/24/22	Goal	04/25/21
Bible Study	79	90	67
AM Worship	113	130	115
PM Worship	82	90	65
Mid Week	89	90	61
Contribution:	\$6090.00	\$6000.00	\$4810.40

Little School Graduation

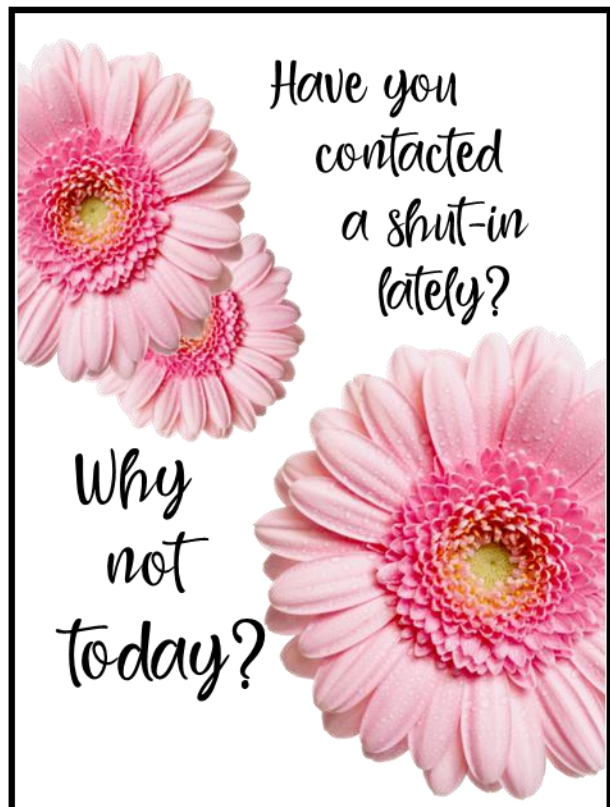
Friday, May 13th, the Little School needs help with the graduation reception for the students and their parents. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you can volunteer to bring finger foods and/or help serve during the reception, please sign up on the foyer bulletin board. Thank you.

Fort Hill Youth Camp

May 15th is the early bird registration date for payment, so please, speak with Jeremiah Smith if you plan to go to camp the week of June 19-25. Tuition for campers and 1 friend will be paid by the church.

Directory Pictures

Daniel Goshorn is updating member photos. Please, arrange a date with Daniel to take or retake your pictures for both the directory and the foyer picture board. You have one month before Daniel departs. Thank you.



☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Hall

SONG LEADER:

AM: Ranie Wohnhas

PM: Steve Wallace

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Mark Parks

LORD'S TABLE*:

Presiding AM: Nathan Adkins

Assisting: John Gambill,
JC Hughes, Braydon Snell

Presiding PM: Greg Conley

*gluten-free bread

SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Tanner Adkins

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: Greg Conley

PM: Jacob Brown

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Greg Conley

SONG LEADER: Mark Day

PRAYER: Nathan Parks

DEVOTION: Jerry Sturgill

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

LIVE STREAM: Jackson Morris

POWER POINT: Jackson Morris

BLDG. ATT.: JC Hughes

COORDINATOR: Nathan Parks

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Sundays ★★★

Pew Packers

5:45pm

**in the front of the
auditorium-**

**geared to age 12 & under, but
everyone is welcome to attend**

★★★ May 15th ★★★

Lads 2 Leaders

Recognition Potluck!!

12 noon- annex



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 box 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.

We hope to see you often.