

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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For I am the
Lord, I do
not change

Malachi 3:6b

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.

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

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

Biblical Balance

Balance is a principle that applies to every area of our earthly life. How we spend our time, money, and energy must be balanced among work, family, self-improvement, and leisure. We have all seen examples, even in ourselves, of being out of balance. A man may give his attention to recreation instead of providing for his family (1 Timothy 5:8). A woman may climb the career ladder and be leading the way in that rat race, but at the same time neglect her family and have a miserable home life (Ecclesiastes 4:6; Titus 2:5). Family, however, can be over-emphasized to the neglect of one's relationship with the Lord (Matthew 10:35-37).

The declaration of 1 Timothy 4:8, "bodily exercise profiteth little," gives a balanced view regarding physical fitness. Those who neglect exercise should notice the word "profiteth" and get moving; however, those that are fitness nuts should notice the word "little." How much profit is it in the long run? Little in contrast with the rest of the verse: "but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." Thus, they should focus more time on their inward, eternal health (2 Corinthians 4:16). Many other examples could be given, but you get the point.

This principle is also true in the spiritual realm. Jesus lived and taught perfect spiritual balance. In worship, He emphasized spirit and truth (John 4:24)—the balance of being right subjectively (on the inside) and objectively (on the outside). In keeping the commandments of God, He taught an emphasis on the weightier matters while not neglecting the smaller matters (Matthew 23:23). In His dealings with people, He was balanced. He harangued the religious leaders of the day who were hard-hearted and refused to see the error of their way (Matthew 23); however, He was compassionate and tender toward those who had lost their way in sin (Luke 7:36-48). He was merciful to sinners, yet told them to sin no more (John 5:14; 8:11).

We will never be perfect like Jesus, but our goal should be to follow in His footsteps and live a balanced life (1 Peter 2:21). In our worship do we practice both truth and spirit, or do we exalt one over the other? In our concept of God do we recognize His justice and wrath as well as His grace and mercy (Romans 11:22), or do we lean toward one more than the other? With God's law, do we emphasize the weightier matters like judgment, mercy, and faith while also accomplishing the smaller matters, or do we hold on to one and neglect the other? In dealing with people, are we compassionate to the erring (Galatians 6:1) while at the same time willing to earnestly contend for the faith (Jude 3)? Verses 22 and 23 of Jude say, "And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh." Do we follow these instructions? Please consider what side you may lean toward in these different areas. Honestly examine yourself and look for ways to be closer to the balance that the Bible teaches. "Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left" (Deuteronomy 5:32).

- Mark Day

Today's Lessons

Notes

AM: Entertaining Angels

PM: The Lord Draws Near

Scripture Reading

Malachi 3:1-6 (NKJV)

- 1 “Behold, I send My messenger,
And he will prepare the way before Me.
And the Lord, whom you seek,
Will suddenly come to His temple,
Even the Messenger of the covenant,
In whom you delight.
Behold, He is coming,”
Says the Lord of hosts.
- 2 “But who can endure the day of His coming?
And who can stand when He appears?
For He is like a refiner’s fire
And like launderers’ soap.
- 3 He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver;
He will purify the sons of Levi,
And purge them as gold and silver,
That they may offer to the Lord
An offering in righteousness.
- 4 “Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem
Will be pleasant to the Lord,
As in the days of old,
As in former years.
- 5 And I will come near you for judgment;
I will be a swift witness
Against sorcerers,
Against adulterers,
Against perjurers,
Against those who exploit wage earners
and widows and orphans,
And against those who turn away an alien—
Because they do not fear Me,”
Says the Lord of hosts.
- 6 “For I *am* the Lord, I do not change;
Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of
Jacob.

Sunday Servants

WELCOME: Chris Scott

Morning

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER: Mark Parks

CLOSING PRAYER: Jordan Conley

LORD'S TABLE*

PRESIDING: Greg Conley

ASSISTING: Jesse Legg, Terry Fouts, Nathan Parks, Mark Gullett, Evan Gullett, Nolan Clarkson, Cody Ward

Evening

SONG LEADER: Jackson Morris

FIRST PRAYER: Greg Conley

LORD'S TABLE*

PRESIDING: Nathan Adkins

ASSISTING: Mason Morris

CLOSING PRAYER: Jason Fouts

SCRIPTURE READING: John Gambill

Wednesday Servants

WELCOME: Mark Parks

SONG LEADER: Brad Morris

PRAYER: Daniel Flatt

DEVOTIONAL: Greg Conley

Weekly Servants

LIVE STREAM: Mason Morris

POWER POINT: Jason Fouts

BLDG. ATT.: Greg Conley

COORDINATOR: Matt Vonderheide

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

***gluten-free bread**

Dates to Remember

Check the bulletin board in the foyer for details about upcoming events!

Apr. 17-20 - Lads to Leaders Convention

Apr. 22 - May 20 - The Living Word in a Shifting World - Tuesday Nights at Fishinger Road COC

Apr. 25 - Ladies' Lunch at Texas Roadhouse

Apr. 26 - Men's Prayer Breakfast

Apr. 26 - Ladies' Day at Kenova COC

Apr. 26 - Ladies' Day at Clearview COC

Apr. 27 - Potluck honoring the Day family

May 3 - Baby Shower for Taylor Brown

May 3 - Singing Seminar at Southpoint COC

May 17 - Ladies' Day at Harrisville COC

May 18 - Potluck and Lads to Leaders Recognition

June 1 - Graduate Honor Night

June 14 - Arts and Eats Festival 3pm-8pm

Aug. 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Aug. 23-24 - Evangelism Training

Youth Notes

Sundays at 5:45pm - Pew Packers in front of the auditorium geared to age 12 and under but everyone is welcome.

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Free Bible Correspondence Courses

Available by Mail:

8 lesson series by Hurt

"Studies in The Bible" (30 lessons)

"Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)

"Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)

Attendance & Contribution			
	4/6/25	Goal	4/7/24
Bible Study	79	90	68
AM Worship	111	130	113
PM Worship	95	90	65
Mid Week	87	90	76
Contribution	\$8,416.09		\$7,356.45