

To know HIM and to make HIM known



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**Service Times**

**Sunday:**

Fellowship..... 9:45 am  
Adult Bible Class..... 10:00 am  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 am

**LifeGroups**

Hannigan..... 5:30 pm  
Denham..... 5:30 pm  
Reynolds..... 6:00 pm  
Morris..... 5:00 pm

**Wednesday:**

Bible Study..... 7:00 pm

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**Sunday Morning Bible Class**

I want to take this opportunity to invite everyone to join us for our Sunday morning adult Bible class that meets in the auditorium at ten o'clock. We have just begun a study of the Gospel of Luke. So far we have covered some introductory material and the first chapter. We have had good attendance and great discussion.

In the first chapter of this gospel, Luke shares with us the stories of the announcement and birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah and Elizabeth. We are also told of the angel Gabriel's visit to the virgin Mary to announce the birth of the coming Messiah. This chapter plays an important role in sharing with us today that, in the grand story of Jesus, ordinary people like ourselves are important. God works through all of us, and because of this we are able to sing with Mary:

*"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant." - (Luke 1:46b-48a)*

One of the main commentaries that we are using in this study is: *Luke for Everyone* by N.T. Wright. Wright closes his comments on the first chapter of Luke with this thought: "Luke's long first chapter holds together what we often find easier to separate. At point after point he has linked his story to the ancient biblical record of Israel, to the patriarchs, kings, prophets and psalms. He is writing of the moment when the centuries-old story was going to come round a corner at last, out of darkness into sudden light. He never forgets this larger perspective; everything that he will tell us about Jesus makes sense as the fulfilment of God's ancient promises, the hope of Israel come to fruition at last.

But Luke's story vibrates equally with the personal hopes and fears of ordinary people. Zechariah, Elizabeth and Mary stand out as real people, hesitating between faith and doubt, called to trust God at a new moment in history. It's a mark not only of Luke's skill as a writer but also of the nature of the God he is writing about that both the big picture and the smaller human stories matter totally. This is, after all, as Zechariah had glimpsed, the story of how the creator God came to rescue his people. It is the story, as Luke will now tell, of how God himself was born as a baby." - (*Luke for Everyone* by N.T. Wright, pg. 19-20)

In the big picture of the God who would choose to come to this earth and be born as a baby in order to one day redeem his people, our stories matter. So, come join us as we continue this discussion this coming Sunday!

Love you all!  
Stephen

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**PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

**MORNING ASSEMBLY**

June 30 2019

**Front Greeter:** Jan Winnell  
**Usher:** Lynn Himelrick  
**Worship Leader:** Carson Henley  
**Scripture Reading/Prayer:** Richard Walker  
**Communion Preside:** Steve Samples  
**Serve East:** Alex Derenburger  
 Tom McNeely  
**Serve West:** Richard Wagner  
 Jamison Wilkinson  
**Contribution Tally:** B & C Stewart  
**Sound Booth:** Steve Dale  
**PowerPoint:** Pete Williams

**WEDNESDAY EVENING**

June 26

**Usher:** Paul Estep  
**Prayer:** Bob Midkiff  
**Sound Booth:** Tom McNeely

**Communion Preparation & Garments:**  
 Linda Hall

*If you cannot serve as scheduled,  
 please contact Tom McNeely at 304-346-5212.*

**ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION**

**Attendance**  
 Bible Class..... 84  
 Worship..... 100  
 Wednesday..... 33

**Contribution:**  
 Collection Plate.....\$2,226.27  
 Online .....\$1,210.00  
**Total..... \$3,436.27**

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

- Jack Hartley rehab at Oak Ridge, Room 106
- The family of Bob Snyder
- Doug Midkiff
- Joe Riley
- Tom Winnell

**Flossie** (Neon Bowyer's mother), **Dorothy Moore**, **Bonnie Preolette** (Rachel's aunt), **Frank Javins**, **Steve Fox**, **Charlie & Dora Mynes**, **Lisa and Diane** (Rita's cousins), **Lanny Markland**,

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

July 6 Pendulum Escape Room  
 July 7 Food Pantry Cleaning  
 July 23-24 Cedar Point  
 August 9-11 VBS (Volunteers needed)  
 August 23-24 Lock In

**THE HEART OF JESUS**

The idea of a spiritual heart transplant is a vivid image to me; once you have the heart of somebody else inside you, then that heart is there. Jesus' heart is inside me, and my heart is gone. So if God were to place a stethoscope against my chest, he would hear the heart of Jesus Christ beating.

—Max Lucado



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

June 23-29 SVYC Junior Week ages 7-12  
 June 25 Ladies Book Club  
*The Summer Cottage* by Viola Shipman  
 June 27 Young at Heart Breakfast  
 July 2 Prayer Service 6:00  
 July 14-20 SVYC Senior Week ages 13-17

**WORKING TO PLEASE GOD**

When we throw ourselves into religious activities without have made our life one of prayer, we run into danger. Our days and nights are filled with teaching or printing a newsletter, working in an outreach program of a food bank, an inner-city rehabilitation project or on lobbying efforts. We feel we are doing the Lord's work, and perhaps we are. But we will never know unless we take the time to listen to His voice and be certain we are following His promptings and not ambitious ones that start in self. We must always ask ourselves whether we are working to please God or to satisfy our own need for achieving results. — Judith C. Lechman



**SIGN THE ROGERS' PHOTO MAT**

If you have not done so already, please sign the farewell photo mat for the Rogers' family. It is located on the long table in the gym.

**NEEDED PANTRY ITEMS**

Tuna, Spaghetti O's, Spaghetti Sauce or whatever you care to bring.

**LIFEGROUP INFORMATION**

- **Chuck and Shirley Denham**  
 5:30-6:30 pm Sunday at the building. Serving communion.
- **Tom and Brenda Hannigan**  
 5:30-7:30 pm in their home. Meeting 7/14 and August TBA
- **Chris and Renee Morris**  
 5:00-7:00 pm, See Chris or Renee for location.
- **Bill and Darlena Reynolds**  
 6:00-8:00 pm Sunday in their home.

*Join a LifeGroup! They are open to everyone; feel free to try them all!*



Ali Ross	06/02
Tabitha Gillispie	06/03
Allen Hartley	06/04
Bob Stewart	06/04
Doug Hartley	06/05
Meghan Wood	06/07
Virginia Henley	06/09
Stephen Bush	06/11
Bianca Williams	06/11
Trinity Stephenson	06/16
Hannah Plants	06/20
David Pennington	06/24
Avery Morris	06/25
Tom McNeely	06/26
Annette Breckenridge	06/27
Loretta Hannigan	06/29
Rhonda O'Daniels	06/30



Herb & Rose Kinder	06/17
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