

Men Who Serve **Morning Service**

Song LeaderPhil Forrest
AnnouncementsJered Markman
Opening PrayerMatt Maurer
Scripture Reading.....Paul Davenport
Sermon.....Claude Pharr
Closing PrayerTom Davenport

Evening Service

Opening PrayerSteve Anderson
Sermon.....Claude Pharr
Closing PrayerEddie Nuckols
Lord's TableEddie Nuckols

Wed Song LeaderPhil Forrest

Next Week: December 22 **Morning Service**

Song LeaderJimmy Snow
AnnouncementsJimmy Snow
Opening PrayerOscar Koontz
Scripture Reading.....Matthew Brown
Sermon.....Claude Pharr
Closing PrayerMark Koontz

Evening Service

Opening PrayerEdwin Boger
Sermon.....Claude Pharr
Closing PrayerMatthew Forrest
Lord's TablePhil Forrest

Wed Song LeaderTom Davenport

SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

Greeters..... Rick Brown
Steve Brown

Lord's Supper

Preparation..... The Boyds
Cleanup..... The Boyds

Lord's Table Center... Oscar Koontz
Servers Steve Anderson
Steve Brown
Tom Davenport
Jered Markman
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Drowning at Church

The 21st Century Christian Teacher's mailing list shared some interesting ideas. When a movie portrays a swimmer who is drowning, generally they are thrashing their arms and yelling for help. The US Coast Guard says that's not the case. Here are the five signs that indicate someone is drowning:

1. Drowning people rarely scream. They're more focused on trying to breathe than yelling!
2. Drowning people only keep their heads out of water for short bursts.
3. Drowning people can't wave for help. Their arms are busy trying to keep their heads out of water.
4. Drowning people are so preoccupied with not drowning that they are frequently unable to move towards a rescuer or grab rescue equipment.
5. Drowning people can usually only struggle above water for 20-60 seconds before sinking out of sight.

Because most people don't recognize what drowning really looks like, it is tragically common for someone to drown right in front of help.

What does this have to do with the church? There are people here who are drowning. They're loaded down with sin or guilt. They've been treading water because of broken relationships, but they're getting tired and they can't keep on forever. Their burdens are pushing them underwater, spiritually speaking, but we don't notice because we didn't hear them yell, we didn't notice them thrash. They just quietly disappear.

People who are spiritually drowning frequently can't (or won't) ask for help. Sometimes they don't know how. Sometimes they don't have the energy. Sometimes they are just so focused on what's wrong that they can't see what's around them.

That's where the church comes in: just like a potential drowning victim's life depends on watchful parents, friends, and lifeguards, hurting people at church need our vigilance. We have to be watching to help or we'll never notice until it's too late. Let's make a commitment to make sure that we don't lose anyone right under our own noses.

By Matthew Hiatt



Visitors, you are our honored guests. We are happy you joined us. Please fill out a visitor card and place in collection plate.

News and Events

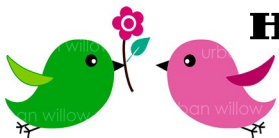
December 15 Elders and Deacons Meeting will be held this afternoon at 4:30pm.

December 22 Youth Christmas Party Join us from noon to 6pm at the Kinder home for a fun-filled party with hot chocolate, food, and Christmas spirit. Bring a present for gift game (max \$5).

December 22 & 29 Sunday Morning Bible Class for College and High School Students Jered Markman will have a special class designed especially for college students home for Christmas.

2014 COMMUNION PREPARATION & CLEANUP

If you would like to prepare and/or cleanup communion for one or more months next year, please add your name to the sign-up sheet posted on bulletin board.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
Terri & Matt Maurer
Wednesday December 18

Betty Cassidy Tuesday Dec 17

Steve Brown Friday Dec 20

Daniel Forrest Friday Dec 20



Our Prayer List



Andrew Johnson is experiencing health problems.

Fern Nickels is recovering from bronchitis.

Clarence Rupert experienced a fall which resulted in an injury to his rotator cuff. He will have to undergo surgery at some future time.

Jessica Smith fell out of a truck and was bruised.

J R Stroud is suffering from rheumatoid arthritis and knee pain.

Yvonne Stroud continues to recover from knee surgery.

Larry Warner is considering a move to a different assisted care facility. Pray for the Lord 's guidance in helping him make the best decision.

Continue to Pray for the following:

Jim Anderson (Steve Anderson's father) has lung cancer.

Peggy Church

Vergie Farmer (Steve Anderson's mother) is home due to illness.

Bob Freeman

Bertha Graves

Joe Koontz (Glenn's brother)

Edna Kurfees

Eddie Martin (Sadie Rice's son-in-law) broke vertebrae in his neck.

Fern Nickels has bone cancer.

Greg Nilo

Chuck Owens (friend of Eddie

Nuckols)

Amelia Price (Ann Nilo's granddaughter)

Sadie Rice

Elizabeth Seamon, a shut-in, is in poor health.

Catherine Seamon

Rick Seamon

Dorothy Smith is living at Autumn Care nursing home.

Kenzie Smith (Jimmy & Helen Kinley's granddaughter) has leukemia.

Amber Young (16 year old granddaughter of a friend of Tom Davenport)