

## MEN WHO SERVE

	SERVICE	TODAY	NEXT WEEK
MORNING	Song Leader	Eddie Nuckols	Phil Forrest
	Announcements	Jered Markman	Eddie Nuckols
	Opening Prayer	Phil Forrest	Steve Anderson
	Scripture Reading	Matthew Forrest	Jered Markman
	Sermon	Claude Pharr	Claude Pharr
	Closing Prayer	Matthew Brown	Mark Koontz
EVENING	Opening Prayer	Edwin Boger	Ortie Boyd
	Sermon	Claude Pharr	Claude Pharr
	Closing Prayer	Jimmy Snow	Daniel Forrest
	Lord's Table	Eddie Nuckols	Phil Forrest
	Wed Song Leader	Eddie Nuckols	Phil Forrest

## LORD'S SUPPER

Center	Matt Maurer
Servers	Rick Brown
	Wesley Frick
	Matthew Brown
	Mark Koontz
Fill-In	To Be Chosen
Prepare/Cleanup	The Snows
Communion Bread	Terri Maurer



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## The Church: Then & Now

Anyone who would take a serious look at the modern church in comparison to the church of the first century as portrayed on the pages of the New Testament would in all probability be able to see that something is awry. The face of the church in today's world is quite different from how it was in the days of the apostles of Christ. Why is there such a wide disparity between the apostolic church and that of the 21<sup>st</sup> century?

The Epistle of Paul to the church at Ephesus is a good place to start in order to get a handle on the problem. Paul wrote and reminded them that they were "Built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." (Ephesians 2:20) Furthermore what was true of the church at Ephesus was true also of all the individual churches scattered throughout the first century world so that all of them together formed a "holy temple in the Lord." (Ephesians 2:21-22)

By way of contrast in today's Christian world we have a host of different denominations not content to be built simply upon the "foundation of the apostles and prophets" with Jesus Christ himself as the "chief corner stone" but rather have added two additional things which were not a part of God's original design. First, each individual denomination has its own distinctive rule of faith and practice called either a creed, manual, discipline, or catechism, etc. This rule of faith and practice spells out how the denomination and each congregation is to function. Second, each denomination has its own central governing body which exercises varying degrees of authority over the individual congregations. Neither of these two is authorized in the Bible.

Would it not be better if all the man-made rules of faith and practice were dropped and we all stood upon the Bible, and the Bible alone, as our only rule of faith and practice in religion? Also would it not be better if all denominational governing bodies were dissolved and each individual congregation became answerable to Christ, and Christ alone, as the only head of the Church? Furthermore should not each individual step out of the whole denominational system and be a part of a congregation subject only to Christ as its head and the Bible as its only rule of faith and practice? Many of us have done just that.

*Claude*

## WELCOME VISITORS

Visitors, you are our honored guests!  
We are so very happy that you have joined us today. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the collection plate.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

November 11 Second Tuesday Monthly Devotional at the Fricks

See Bulletin Board in back hall for Area Events

## PRAYER LIST



**Patsy Boyd** has began chemotherapy treatment.

**Fern Nickels** has bone cancer.

**Wanda Scott** is still at Autumn Care after she experienced a fall.

**J R Stroud** has rheumatoid arthritis.

**Bob Freeman** continues to have health issues.

**Joe Koontz** (Glenn's

brother)

**Amelia Price** (Ann Nilo's granddaughter)

**Rick Seamon**

## SHUT-INS

Vergie Farmer (Steve Anderson's mother)  
Bertha Graves  
Sadie Rice

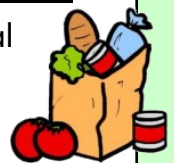
Catherine Seamon  
Elizabeth Seamon  
Dorothy Smith  
Larry Warner

## PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Peanut Butter  
Jelly/Jam  
Canned Pinto Beans

Canned Ravioli  
Canned Fruit  
Canned Tuna  
Canned Chicken

Oatmeal  
Instant Grits



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Matthew Brown Thursday Oct 23



DO JUSTICE  
LOVE KINDNESS  
WALK HUMBLLY

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