ORTH MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Comfort Food

There are certain foods, which usually fill our stomachs with both carbs and starches that give us a unique feeling of comfort during stressful or anxious times. The books of 1st and 2nd Peter should act as spiritual comfort food in the lives of Christians today.

In the first verse of 1st Peter, we read that the original audience of the letter were Christians in five different provinces of Asia Minor who had been "scattered." These Christians had faced persecution, so significant that they chose to leave everything they knew behind and relocate to foreign lands.

Peter begins by reminding them that, regardless of how stressful and anxious life may have become, they are "chosen." They are God's people. As Christians, they belong to God, and even though their physical world turned upside down through persecution, they "are" His. In the last chapter, Peter reveals the inspired purpose of the letter saying, "I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it!" (5:12). In other words, "Stay Faithful!" Regardless of your circumstance, find comfort in God and "Stay Faithful!"

There are times when Christians, even today, need the comfort of knowing that they still belong to God, that God is still in control, that God's plan is eternal, and that regardless of our physical circumstances, we still belong to God.

Matt Langfield

A Message from the Elders:

The Elders have taken into consideration the recommendations from local, state and national authorities that we should not have any gatherings of 50 or more and the responsibility that we all have to curtail the spread of COVID-19 by maintaining social distancing and remaining in our own homes if at all possible.

In order to maintain the health and safety of all our members the Elders have decided to suspend all services through Wednesday, April 8.

The 11 AM worship hour will be available via live stream on our North Main Street Members Facebook page. We encourage everyone to tune in at 11 AM to participate in this hour of worship. Matt Langfield and the Elders will be present in the building to conduct the service giving current announcements, songs, prayer, partaking of the Lord's Supper and providing a lesson.

Please know this decision is made out of love, care and concern for the entire body of the Lord's Church that meets at North Main. We love each and every one of you and we pray that everyone will continue to be safe, healthy and in prayer.

UPCOMING NORTH MAIN EVENTS

<u>April 4 Saturday</u> Betsy Forrest Wedding Shower at 3pm in the fellow-ship room. Betsy is registered at Wal-Mart and BB&B.

April 5 Sunday Elders Meeting
April 25 Saturday Ladies Day at Jericho/North Main church of Christ
June 22-24 Vacation Bible School

PRAYER LIST

Edwin Boger is home under hospice care. Please continue to pray for Edwin, Ivey Nell and all members of the Boger family.

Debbie Brooks' daughter is experiencing some health problems.

Carolyn Minor, Cindy Brown's mother, had another surgery this past Thursday.

Marlene Nickels, Belinda's sister-in-law, has pancreatitis and hepatitis and was hospitalized last week.

Candi Smith is experiencing numbness in her leg.

Stacey Turner, Taylor Maurer's father, underwent surgery this past Monday. The procedure went well.

Continue to pray for Mildred Bean, Christy Boger, Bubba Cannon, Leroy Cranfill, Glenn Koontz, Sara Koontz, Waylon Kuklentz, Bobby Lankford, Brenda May, Mildred Phelps, Steve Short, Jay Stanley, Jerry Stanley, Jimmy Watkins, David Whitley, Willie Yarbrough

Our Shut-Ins: Robert Cole, Vergie Farmer, Estelle Kluttz, Sadie Rice, Wanda Scott, Bailey Walker

RESOURCES FOR AT-HOME WORSHIP & EDIFICATION

North Main Street is live streaming the 11:00am Sunday worship service on our FB Members page https://www.facebook.com/groups/491564101558429/

Polishing the Pulpit is providing free access to PTP365. There is a wealth of scriptural audio and video lessons on a wide variety of topics. Check it out at https://polishingthepulpit.com/

Apologetics Press offers many articles, PDF books, and other information focusing on Christian Evidences. Most are free. For children, all past issues of *Discovery* magazine are available. Visit http://apologeticspress.org/ for these spiritually enriching resources.

Ortie Boyd Today March 29
Sharon Tesh Thursday April 2



PRIVELEDGED TO SERVE SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Service conducted by Matt Langfield and Elders streaming via FB Members.

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again, 'Neath His wings protecting hide you, Daily manna still divide you, God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again, When life's perils thick confound you, Put His arms unfailing round you, God be with you till we meet again.

LAST WEEKS NUMBERS

Sunday Bible Class 0 Sunday Morning Worship 42 Sunday Evening Worship 0 Wednesday Bible Study 0 Offering \$2302 Weekly Budget \$2200

SCHEDULE of SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Class 10am
Morning Worship 11am
Evening Worship 6pm
WEDNESDAY
Bible Class 7pm

PLAN of SALVATION

Hear the Gospel Romans 10:17
Believe Jesus is God's Son
Acts 16:30-31, Hebrews 11:6
Repent of Sin Acts 17:30-31
Confess Jesus is God's Son
before Men

Acts 8:36-37, Matthew 10:32, Romans 10:9-10 Be Baptized (immersed) Acts 2:38 Live Faithfully 1 John 1:7, Rev 2:10

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