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end of the assemblies, Sunday night or no Sunday night, what kind of clothes to wear, if a building could be owned to assemble in, if a kitchen could be in that building, if a multipurpose room could look like a gym... And multiple other things that I have neither the time nor inclination to mention.

Amos asks, in the midst of all the controversies, “Is justice being evenly distributed?” “Is what is right truly the guiding principle that springs from you?” Not your ability to gain justice, but the ability of the weakest and most vulnerable of all?

God, in describing himself to Moses, states that he is, “merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the father on the children and on the children’s children, to the third and fourth generation.”

God wants this world to recognize his standards; singing songs, praying prayers while ignoring the vulnerable among us causes him to repudiate our worship.

Grace and peace,

Carl

Where belonging to God means belonging to each other.

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The Day Is At Hand

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April 15, 2018

There have been times when God gets fed up with the worship of those who claim to be his people. Historically, it has had less to do with procedure than it has been with the behavior of those who worship.

Amos 5 is an example that I ran across again this week.

I hate, I despise your festivals, and I am not pleased by your solemn assemblies. Though you offer me burnt offerings or your grain offerings, I will not accept them, nor will I regard the offerings of your fattened animals. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water, and righteousness like an ever flowing stream.

It has always been an easier task to do church than to be church. Throughout history we’ve spent more time fussing over procedures than any other single thing. Folks have fought over the number of cups during communion, what monies collected can be spent on, what kind of songs to sing in the assemblies, harps or no harps, communion at the beginning, middle or

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SUNDAY: Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am
Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am
Worship Service—10:45 am

WEDNESDAY: Varies by Time of Year (*refer to Bulletin News*)

ELDERS: Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,
George Shelton, Tom Turner

DEACONS: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril

TREASURER: Richard Brensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR APRIL 15, 2018

SONG LEADER: Jerry Kinnamon
GATHERING SONG: No. 103—He Has Made Me Glad
WELCOME: Tom Turner
SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 78:1-8 (Orrin Feril)
SONGS: No. 1—Praise Medley
-No. 2—We Praise Thee, O God (vs 1, 2)
-No. 3—Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (vs 1, 2)
-No. 4—To God Be the Glory (vs 1, 3)
No. 15—Step by Step
No. 76—How Great Thou Art (vs 1, 2)
No. 68—Give Thanks
PRAYER: Chris Mansel
SONG: No. 383—Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross
COMMUNION: Gary Hornbaker
Teddy Gingrich
Clint Kinnamon
Fred Johnson
SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 34:6 (Carl Feril)
SONG: No. 884—Earth Holds No Treasures
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children’s Bible Hour*)
SONG: No. 945—Kneel at the Cross (vs 1)
PRAYER: Joe Cornwell

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WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again!

THANK YOU

“Dear Church of Christ volunteers– We would like to express our sincere appreciation for your support of our family following the loss of Carl. Your hospitality honored him and allowed all to see why he was so proud to call St John home. The delicious dinner, your service and your love was the perfect end to a difficult day. Thank you. Love, Kevin & Karen and the entire Dudrey Family”

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Come help with Vacation Bible School preparation on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm. The dates for VBS will be May 29-31, with a Family Picnic on Friday, June 1st. Mark your calendar!

MEAL REQUEST

We have been asked to provide the evening meal for the local “Circles” program on Monday, May 14th. More information to come. Please mark your calendar.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Clint Kinnamon—April 15
Ned Marks—April 15
Fred Johnson—April 17

**Women Walking With God
Conference
April 13-14**
Great time of fellowship
and worship!



PRAYER REQUESTS

Jorja Blakelee – fell on her knee last Thursday, breaking the tip of her tibia; her knee has to be immobilized until she sees a surgeon on Monday
Lowell Dell (Cindy Kinnamon’s brother) - brain injury from a farm accident
Aggie Keesling—cardiac testing
Ashton Line—(student at Ingalls where Joe & Tammy Meador teach) - in Wesley Medical Center in Wichita after an auto accident
Stan Aldrich—respiratory issues
Brenda Guilinger (Lloyd’s daughter) - cancer has returned (send her a card at: 4212 38th St West, Bradenton, FL 34205)
Gayle Sears (Marla’s friend) breast cancer; has started a lengthy series of chemo treatments
Kim Staub—Parkinson’s
Eddie Baker (Gayle Byer’s friend) - health issues
Diane Campbell—broken leg; MS
Jim Walton (Stafford) - throat cancer
Katherine Suiter—cancer
Crystal Easley (Terry & Linda Welch’s daughter) - cancer
David Ivy (Marilyn’s brother) - Emphysema
Jim Sorensen (Tara’s brother-in-law) brain cancer
Marilyn Sprawka (Don Rugan’s sister) - cancer
Jenny Walker (Carol’s sister)
Roger Dick—ongoing cancer treatments
Theo Birkett (Tara’s mother)
Jim Soukup (Gingrich’s son-in-law [Shari’s husband])
June Cornwell—Kenwood Plaza
Glennys Sallabedra (Tom’s mother) - Stafford Leisure Homestead

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Memory Work for 2018—**Romans 13:11-12**