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the same way, that we will achieve the same results. For example, if early believers emphasized repentance, or baptism, or the Supper, we believe that we should emphasize those same topics. Our participation in the events might not be for the same reason, or even in the same manner, as the early followers.

While it may superficially appear to be doing the same thing, when we begin to explore Scripture, we have to remember that there is also the impact of a spiritual world on these things. Somewhere we must leave room for the “mystery of God” in the stories of Scripture.

It is a danger to believe that we can so understand the mind of God that we can no longer be surprised. We can't think that God is limited to what he has done historically, in seeing what God might do in future times. That is not to say that God is inconsistent, but to leave the room for God to act in a manner we have never seen, but is still a part of who he is.

Do we follow what others have done before us, of course? But never read Scripture as a textbook of facts to be fully comprehended and achieved.

*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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In a discussion I had this past week, we were speaking about how we come to know and experience God. As you would agree, God both reveals himself in our natural world through the things he has created, and through the specifics of Scripture as he has recorded through the Holy Spirit in the various accounts of his interaction with man.

How we process that information is greatly influenced by the hearers. For example, American religious groups influenced by the Age of Enlightenment, tend to be more analytical in their approach. Roger Bacon (lived and died during the 1200s) is credited with bringing Europe out of the Dark Ages through an approach to life called inductive reasoning. This developed into the scientific method, where the idea of being able to replicate earlier processes was emphasized.

In science, we mix compounds in the same portions and in the same manner confident that we can reproduce what we've done before.

In Bible study, we examine what early Christians did believing if we do the same thing, in

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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 Breising, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,  
George Shelton, Tom Turner  
**DEACONS:** Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril  
**TREASURER:** Richard Breising

## WORSHIP ORDER FOR NOVEMBER 25, 2018

SONG LEADER: Jerry Kinnamon  
GATHERING SONG: No. 155—Highest Place  
WELCOME: Richard Breising  
SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 100 (Kolton Sizemore)  
SONGS: No. 65—Thanksgiving Medley  
-No. 66—Doxology  
-No. 67—For the Beauty of the Earth  
-No. 68—Give Thanks  
No. 435—Come Into His Presence  
No. 770—Dear Lord and Father of Mankind  
PRAYER: Fred Johnson  
SONG: No. 367— The Scars in the Hands of Jesus  
COMMUNION: Ben Sizemore  
Clint Kinnamon  
Gary Hornbaker  
Joe Cornwell  
MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Romans 13:11-12)  
SONG: No. 851—I'll Fly Away  
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)  
SONG: No. 922—Jesus Paid It All (vs 1)  
PRAYER: Terry Sallee

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## WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship; please come again!

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

Young parents—you are invited to a parenting class on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm at Carl & Janet's home. Child-care & a Children's Bible Class are offered here at the church building. Parents can drop their kids off at church at 7:00 pm and pick them up at 7:45 pm. See Carl or Tom for more details. Help is needed each week with the childcare/Bible Class.

## COMMUNITY EVENT

Stocking Stuffers of Central Kansas will have their 7th annual soup luncheon on Sunday, December 2nd, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at the IOOF Lodge in St John. Hannah Sallee and Rachel Fisher are the contacts for this project.

## GRADUATION

**Kade Kinnamon** will be graduating December 8th from KSU. If you would like to send him a card, here is his address:  
2215 College Ave., Apt. 180B, Manhattan, KS 66502

## WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD CONFERENCE WICHITA, KANSAS

Friday, April 13 (5p-9p); Saturday April 14 (8a-4p)

Preregistration Nov 1—Jan 31 = \$63

Registration Feb 1—Apr 13 = \$68

## NEWS FROM MEXICO

A newsletter from Jorge and Latisha Serrano is posted, reporting on recent events in Oaxaca.

Church website: [www.stjohnchurchofchrist.org](http://www.stjohnchurchofchrist.org)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Jesse & Justeen Mayer**—high risk pregnancy; prayers are requested for their baby  
**Dena Mansel**—health concerns  
**Barbara Schuette** (Marla's sister) - in Rehab & improving  
**Marilyn Huffman** (Dylan's sister) - recently injured in a vehicle accident in Tulsa; improving  
**Sara Schneider** (Baylee's friend) - 26 weeks pregnant with twins & has been placed on bed rest  
**Rick Toland** (Marla's cousin in Topeka) - cancer  
**Vince, Teddy's brother-in-law**—heart problems  
**Gayle Sears** (Marla's friend) breast cancer; chemo  
**Kim Staub**—Parkinson's  
**Diane Campbell**—MS  
**Jim Walton** (Stafford) - throat cancer  
**Katherine Suiter**—cancer  
**Crystal Easley** (Terry/Linda Welch's daughter) - cancer  
**David Ivy** (Marilyn's brother) - Emphysema  
**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) - in Leisure Homestead in Stafford

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

*Joy Sallee—Dec 1*

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

*Craig & Kari Smith—Nov 27*

*Joe & Lisa Cornwell—Nov 28*