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one another as they observe your life and mine, carefully taking note of another story of faith. The names may not have that Biblical ring, but the stories are familiar. Gib and Sabina, Loyd and Betty, or Della are examples of those who also could tell a story of faith.

Today, some are still on the journey, George and Shirley, Jerry and Kay, Fred, Lory, Lupe, Gary and a host of others have a history of this story of faith.

Other young families are in the early stages of the journey, Ben and Baylee, Zach and Vanessa, Adam and Cheyenne, Dylan and Destiny, along with many others are laying a foundation of faith, setting a course that is marked with indicators of God's seeing them through both hills and valleys.

Equally exciting are the young names, Kolton, Devin, Hunter, Lace, Jayce, Hadley, Mara, Parker, Justice, and lots more, children having the journey of faith pointed out to them by older teachers, mentors, parents, grandparents and concerned Christians.

A book is being written in heaven, including names like these mentioned and many others that space would not allow. A Book of Life, describing the actions of God, the reaction of the individuals, and faithfulness. I am glad you are a part of the journey.

Grace and Peace,

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His Faithfulness Reaches to the Clouds

St John Church of Christ January 6, 2019

As important as God's grace, the fact that God is faithful brings the stability that we need in life. The Hebrew writer, in speaking of Jesus, said, "He is the same yesterday, today and forever."

God has proven himself faithful over the broad backdrop of the recorded interactions with mankind that we call Scripture. Cast against a scene of mankind's fickleness, the undergirding message is that God stands ready to forgive. From the events in the Garden at the fall of man, and across the pages of holy writ we see God's movement to return mankind to a state of intimate fellowship and joy.

Selecting common men and women who were willing to hear the voice of God and follow his protective messages, names like Abraham, Sarah, Moses, Aaron, and Miriam, Hilda, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Ruth, Joseph, Mary, all illustrate the story of God speaking, someone hearing, and faith playing out.

I like to imagine spirit beings nodding to

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: TREASURER:	Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril Richard Brensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR JANUARY 6, 2019

SONG LEADER: Jerry Kinnamon GATHERING SONG: No. 76-How Great Thou Art (vs 1) WELCOME: Tom Turner SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 11:1 (Kolton Sizemore) SONGS: No. 469—Faith is the Victory No. 470—Victory in Jesus No. 461—Be Not Dismayed Whate'er Betide (vs 1, 4) No. 764—Teach Me Lord to Wait PRAYER: Chris Mansel SONG: No. 464—Because He Lives COMMUNION: Ben Sizemore Gary Hornbaker Clint Kinnamon Orrin Feril MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Psalm 108:3-5) SONG: No. 968—Oh, They Tell Me of a Home (vs 1, 4) LESSON: Carl Feril (Children's Bible Hour) SONG: No. 922—Jesus Paid It All (vs 1) PRAYER: Carl Feril

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WELCOME VISITORS

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

MEAL FOR CIRCLES MEETING

Our church is scheduled to make and serve the meal for the Circles meeting on Monday, January 7th. Please contact Pam if you might be able to help with food preparation or serving.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

The parenting class being offered Wednesday evenings at $\underline{7:00}$ <u>pm</u> at Carl & Janet's home will resume this week. Childcare & 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. Help is needed each week with the childcare/Bible Class.

NEW MEMORY WORK FOR 2019

The new memory work for 2019 is from Psalm 108:3-5. Carl is using the Christian Standard Bible this year.

BABY SHOWER

Please mark your calendar for a baby shower for <u>Jesse & Justeen Mayer</u> on Sunday, <u>January 27th</u> at 1:30 pm here at the church building. They are expecting a baby boy March 27th and have already picked his name: Jerimiah Allan They are registered at Walmart and also on Amazon.

> HAPPY BIRTHDAY! MASON GUNTER—Jan 10 KOLTON SIZEMORE—Jan 12

PRAYER REQUESTS

Easton Neidig (Teddy & Carol's great-grandson) broke his wrist in a playground accident yesterday **Kay Kinnamon**—recuperating from recent shoulder replacement surgery

Greg Lewis—diagnosed with a brain tumor; Stage 4 cancer

Jill Morphew (Janet's sister-in-law in Lubbock, TX) ovarian cancer—now on hospice care

Caylee Welch—prayers are requested for her to be successful going through drug rehabilitation

Jesse & Justeen Mayer—high risk pregnancy; prayers are requested for their baby

Dena Mansel—health concerns

Barbara Schuette (Marla's sister) - improving Marilyn Huffman (Dylan's sister) - improving 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

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

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