# St John Church of Christ October 6, 2019

### **Order of Worship**

Worship Leader: Stan

Gathering Song: No. 66 Doxology

Welcome: Tom

Scripture Reading: Landon

Hebrews 12:1, 2

No. 586 My Faith Looks Up To Thee

No. 380 Jesus Sacrifice Medley

No. 827 Sweet Hour of Prayer *Prayer:* Richard

No. 361 Nailed to the Cross

Communion: Jerry

assisted by Orrin, Gary, Joe

No. 709 How Sweet, How Heavenly

(Children may go to Children's Bible Hour duing the singing of the last verse)

*Lesson*: "How Good is Good Enough?" John

No. 915 Trust and Obey (1<sup>st</sup> Verse)

Prayer: Chris

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# What's the Diagnosis?

Once there was a very uncomfortable man, so he went to the doctor to find out what his problem was. "What are the symptoms?" the doctor asked.

"My eyes bug out, and my ears are ringing."

The doctor examined him carefully, drew blood, and announced, "Your tonsils need to come out," and so they did, but the problem persisted. The man went to see another doctor.

"You poor man! Clearly, your teeth are the issue," so the man went to the dentist and had all his teeth pulled out. Alas, the problem continued, so he called in a specialist who gently told him, "I'm sorry, but you only have six months to live." Shocked the man decided to live life to the fullest. He traveled around the world, spending his life savings. Finally, after five months of extravagant living, the man went to a tailor to be fitted for the suit he would be buried in.

The tailor announced, "34-inch sleeve. 16-inch neck."

"That can't be right," the man objected. "I wear a 15-inch collar."

"Well," the little tailor said, "if you wear a 15-inch collar, your eyes will bug out, and your ears will ring."

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check our email or balance a bank statement. We buy cell phones with features we will never use to impress people we don't like. Have you looked at baby strollers lately? There is a place for your latte (and one for junior's), a place to plug in your iPod, stow the baby bag (and all the gadgets that came with that), sunshades, airbags, air conditioning and a place to put the baby complete with enough straps and snaps to ensure you will never get anywhere on time.

Church can be the same way. We become so concerned about the fine points of theology, the nuances of grammar, the implications of archaeology, and the opinion of everyone else.

Why does it have to be so complicated? I just want to be a Christian! So, let's put down the laptop, turn off the cell phone, unplug the iPod, and take a deep breath. Didn't that feel good? Go ahead – take another. Now sit quietly for a moment and smile. God loves you. Simple.

## **For Your Prayers**

Carol will be having surgery in Kansas City, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

Please remember Marla's cousin, Rick Toland, who is struggling with cancer.

Gayle has asked that we pray for her friend, Eddie, who is facing a terrible choice. Should he allow his leg to be amputated, or risk loosing his life? Please pray!

#### Great Quotes

"Do not pray for easy lives," said Phillips Brooks. "Pray to be stronger men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks."

# **News & Notes**

#### Women's Day

Believe! "Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her" Luke 1:15. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. The Garden City Church of Christ is hosting a Ladies' Day from 9:00 – 3:00. Register with Barb Rains by calling (620) 290-9539 by October 6<sup>th</sup> or emailing GCChurchofChrist@cox. net. This event is free and there is more information posted in the foyer.

#### Men's Retreat

The annual Men's Retreat will be held at Silver Maple camp, October 13-15. Watch for details!

#### LTC - Leadership Training for Christ

Today, after services, Anita Palmer will be telling us about "Leadership Training for Christ," a great program for our children Be sure to stay!

#### For the Bulletin

Do you have a prayer request, announcement, or item for the calendar? Please email or call John so we can include your requests in next week's bulletin:

#### John@JohnMcKeel.com (619) 313-7997



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Meeting Times

- Sundays
- $\diamond$  Leisure Homestead 9:30
- Sible Study for All Ages 10:00
- ♦ Worship 11:00
- Wednesday Nights

#### Elders

- Richard Brensing
- Teddy Gingrich
- Terry Sallee
- George Shelton
- Tom Turner

#### Deacons

- Jerry Kinnamon
- Chris Mansel
- Orrin Feril

#### Minister

• John McKeel

## THANKS!

Chet and Marla, we had a great time at the cookout last Saturday!



