St John Church of Christ January 30, 2022



Welcome to Worship!

We're glad you're here. Bible classes begin at 10:00. For kids, Pete & Penelope, our children's puppet program, is followed by songs and classes in the Fellowship Hall.

"Basic Training" continues in the auditorium this morning. How do you feel about Church? Many people believe: "Jesus, yes! Church, no!" Why? Join us at 10:00 A.M. for class. Worship follows at 11:00 A.M.

If you are unable to be with us in person, our worship is shared through our website:

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Sometimes I think I'm the world's worst grandpa. What grandfather forgets his grandchildren's birthday? Even in a world of digital calendars and reminder programs, I constantly forget important dates, the names of dear friends, and critical bits of information.

Have you ever forgotten a birthday or an anniversary or to pay a bill, say thank you, or a critical formula? As important as learning something new is, what good is it if you just as quickly forget what you learned?

The Bible is full of encouragement to remember. Jude, the voungest brother of Jesus, understood this point. In the First Century, he was writing to a group of Christians. He wasn't writing to tell them something new. Jude said, "Now I want to remind you, although you once fully knew it" (Jude 5). The people he was writing to just forgot. Paul told Timothy and Titus a vital part of their ministry was to "Remind them of these things" (2 Timothy 2:14) and "Remind them to be ..." (Titus 3:1). Although both young Continued from front page

men were preachers, perhaps their most important ministry was to help people remember what they had already learned. At the close of his life, the Apostle Peter was dedicated to helping Christians remember (2 Peter 1:12). The Ephesian church had forgotten their first love (Revelation 2:4), and Jesus commanded them to remember, repent and do the works they had done at first.

Remembering can help us face challenges in the present. Oft times, when a troubled couple comes to me for counseling, I'll ask them to bring their wedding album with them, and we'll look at the pictures together and remember how things were and how they can be again!

Memories can be powerful motivators. "Well, I certainly won't do that again!" So what are some of the memories that help you be a better Christian?

Of course, memories tend to be a bit selective at times. We only long for the good ol' days because we don't remember ancient dental care! So what is the best way to guard against nostalgia and use our memories to motivate us to be better Christians?





Arab boy on the Mount of Olives - John McKeel



It's been a busy week in the hospitals! Terry finally received his surgery which went very well. They are making plans now for his rehabilitation.

They removed the trial stimulator from Kay, but now the insurance company must decide what to approve, where to have the procedure and when it will all take place. She says it will take at least a month while they wait on doctors, blood work and the insurance. Please pray her pain will be managable and that the whole process goes quickly and smoothly.

Let's continue to pray for Nancy and Dixie as they struggle with chronic pain.

John and Jan's daughter Heather finally received the surgery she has been waiting on in England. Thank you for your prayers!

Finally, don't forget our homebound members:

Gail Don Garland and Dena Don George and Shirley



Birthdays and Anniversaries

1/30: Chet Lyons

2/3: Anissa Potter

2/6: Garland Mansel

2/18: Hannah Sallee

2/21: Shirley Shelton

3/1: Orrin Feril

3/1: Dylan Huffman

3/5: Destiny Huffman

3/11: Orvalee Aldrich

3/12: Meagan Feril

3/13: Misty Blakeslee Rudy

3/13: Gary Hornbaker

3/15: Joe Cornwell

3/16: Adam Holmes

3/20: Angel Johnson

3/20: Mara Feril

3/25: Lory Willinger

3/25: Kay Kinnamon

Those Who Serve This Week

Song Leader: Gary

Welcome: Tom

Scripture Reading: Darrel

Communion: Fred

Sermon: John

Closing Prayer: Richard

Sound System: Orrin