

St John Church of Christ

Bulletin

December 18, 2022



From The Elders at the St John Church of Christ

We are not all farmers but we all live in a farming area and know some things about farming and plants. Jesus used many stories about farming to explain things to people as in John 15. He explains that He is the true vine and God, His Father, is the gardener.

We all know that a branch that bears no fruit on a fruit tree has no use, so God cuts it off. Branches that do bear fruit, He prunes so that it will bear more fruit. So we make a choice to bear fruit or to not bear fruit and even if we do bear fruit we should not be lazy in our efforts, as God will “prune” us so we can do better. No branch can bear fruit by itself. It must remain on the vine. Neither can we bear fruit unless we remain in Christ. Christ is the vine, we are the branches.. If we remain in Him and Him in us, we will bear much fruit; a part from Him we can do nothing. If we do not remain in Him, we are a useless branch. We do not want to be useless, we need to remain in Him and His words shall remain in us and they will make us useful to Him.

Let us all attempt to be “useful” this week and **HANG ON TO THAT VINE!!** - The Elders

In Our Prayers

Don Hornbaker
Rick Rodness - Vanessa Marks' father
Emersyn Milton
Shilo (Marilyn's Granddaughter)
Chris Ortego
Dennis Rosenbaum
Thomas Pruitt
Chrissy Houser (Chet & Marla's SIL's Mother)

Kay Kinnamon
Denise Bailey (Meagan's Mother)
Hadley Bright
Shannon Bauer
Carl Hicks
Tammy Byers
Jon Mansel

Upcoming Events

Bible Street at Stafford [Wednesdays]

Have you kids join us at the Stafford Church of Christ on Wednesdays at 6 for Bible Street. This week we are going to go caroling in Stafford starting at 6:30 if you would like to join us. Anyone is welcome to join for caroling!

Carpenter Place [Donations]

If you would like to donate items to Carpenter Place (Children's home in Wichita) - please let Zeb know and he can help you with what they need.

Christmas Day [December 25]

We will have regular classes and worship on Christmas day. We hope to see you here if you are in town.

Worship Order

Greeters and Welcome Table: Zeb and Jessica Carter

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering Song: #997 - O Come, All Ye Faithful

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: Chris Mansel (Matthew 5:14-16)

Prayer: Richard Brensing

Song: #535 - The Glory-Land Way

Song: #364 - Come, Share the Lord

Communion: Gary Hornbaker

Song: #290 - Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lesson: Zeborah Carter

Song: #1016 - This Little Light of Mine (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Chris Stott

<p>Sundays: Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am</p> <p>Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril</p> <p>Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril</p> <p>Minister: Zeborah Carter</p>
