### St John Church of Christ Bulletin

January 1, 2023

# From The Elders at the St John Church of Christ



Are you ready for 2023? It is here and we are on our way to another year. This is the time of year folks focus on their lives and make all sorts of resolutions, decisions, predictions, changes and on and on. As we look at the year ahead of us, God is certainly a good place to start. Our relationship with Him is the most important focus we can have. A few weeks ago I heard a lady singing a beautiful song called "REVIVE". The lyrics truly hit my heart. Following are some of the lyrics from the song. As you read these, think about the words and put yourself there. As I did that, it really helped me focus on how much God loves us.

"REVIVE"

"You revive me Lord, and all my deserts are rivers of joy. You are the treasure I could not afford. So I'll spend myself till I'm empty and poor, all for You, because You always revive me. Lord, I have seen Your goodness, and I know the way You are. Give me eyes to see You in the dark. Your face shines in glory but I only know in part and there is still a longing in my heart. My soul is thirsty and only You can satisfy it. You are the well that will never run dry. I will praise You for the blessing of You calling me your friend. You revive me! I am alive! You breathe on me, yeah, Your Holy Spirit breathes Your life into me and I am alive in Christ."

Those are some pretty powerful lyrics and it reminds us that we are put into Christ through baptism and all our spiritual blessings are "in Christ" (Ephesians 1:3) and there is no condemnation for those in Christ. Thank You God! Thank You God! How could You love a wretch like me! Make me into what You want me to be. Mold me into something useful to YOU! I love You for loving me. Thank You for blessing me so much when I deserve so little. God Bless you all in this New Year of 2023. May you all feel His presence in your lives. - The Elders

## In Our Prayers

Don Hornbaker Rick Rodness - Vanessa Marks' father Emersyn Milton 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 Tami Byer Jon Mansel Margie Ritter

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Bible Street at Stafford [Wednesdays]

Bible Street resumes this week on Wednesday, January 4. See you there!

#### **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.

#### No Potluck next Sunday [Today]

There will be no potluck next Sunday, January 1 with the New Years holiday.

#### LTC [Next Sunday]

Parents of 3rd-12th graders - please get your LTC sheets to Zeb this week if you can - letting him know what events your children might like to participate in.

## Worship Order

Greeters and Welcome Table: Zeb and Jessica Carter

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering Song: #238 - You are the Song that I Sing

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Landon Marks (1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Prayer: Tom Turner

Song: #222 - There's Something About That Name

Song: #354 - I Gave My Life for Thee

Communion: Carl Feril

Song: #390 - Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Lesson: Zeboriah Carter

Song: #635 - Freely, Freely

Closing Prayer: Stan Aldrich

Sundays:	Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am
Elders:	Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril
	Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril Zeboriah Carter