

St John Church of Christ

Bulletin

July 9, 2023



From The Elders at the St John Church of Christ

As we have begun to introduce the material being prepared for the fall, Leveling the Playing Field, we want to build some intrigue. The task of preparing Bible classes and sermons over such a broad topic in such a concise manner is daunting. We feel the need for speed because this is meant to be an overview, not an in-depth series. Preparing material to engage the seasoned Bible student, while informing without overwhelming the fledgling disciple, is challenging to the church leadership. While difficult, we are embracing the mission. God chose shepherds and ministers to communicate his message for the purpose of helping us all grow to look like Jesus. Some listeners are very academic, they live in a world of books and papers. Some followers of Jesus live in a world of dinners and diapers. Others live in a world of grease rags and diesel fumes. Some find their days filled with tractors and livestock. All follow Jesus, but the focus and learning styles are quite different. That means our potential for good is broadened because our fields of interests are diverse.

So here is the plan. On Sundays in September, the sermons will present a large overview of a small part of the Bible. The following week, the Bible classes will talk about the sermon topic, looking at things you are interested in from the prior week. We will discuss the general themes, two or three characters from the story, and try to understand what God was saying about himself in that book. This will continue until the first of December. During that time, you will begin to see what God says about himself, mankind and those who follow him. It will increase our awareness and increase our confidence in his love and protection. Intrigued yet?

In Our Prayers

Don Hornbaker
Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Kay Kinnamon
Natalie Lippoldt
Shannon Bauer
Elmer Schuette (Marla's Brother-in-law)
Becky Carter
Don Ortego
Maggie Harris
Makayla Sedore (Adam's Niece)

Carol Gingrich
Madison Cole
Larry Hamm
Blain White
Nancy Rice
Gayle Byer
Rick Rodness
Frink Family
SMC First Session (Starts Today)
Boyd Gower (Vanessa's cousin)
Lemberger Family (Jessica's Uncle's family)
Joseph Morien (Jessica's Dad)

Upcoming Events

Kenwood Worship Service [Saturday]

Next Saturday, July 15 - we are hosting the worship service at Kenwood. It starts at 6:30 PM. If you would like to join us - come on out!

Gospel Singing [July 30]

The Stafford Church of Christ will be hosting a gospel singing in the City Park with a cookout on Sunday, July 30 at 6:30 PM.

Stafford VBS [August 12]

The Stafford Church of Christ will be holding their VBS on Saturday, August 12.

Save the Date:

SMC 1st Session (ages 9-13) - Starts TODAY!

SMC 2nd Session (ages 13-18) - July 16-22

SMC 3rd Session (ages 9-18) - July 23-29

Birthdays this week:

None

Worship Order

Welcome Table and Greeters: Richard and Shelly Brensing

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Dominic Rogers

Gathering: #123 - The Steadfast of the Lord

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Orrin Feril (Psalm 6:1-10)

Prayer: Tom Turner

Song: #286 - Wonderful Story of Love

Song: #382 - Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?

Communion: Jerry Kinnamon

Song: #490 - It Is Well with My Soul

Lesson: Carl Feril

Song: #650 - Send the Light (vs. 1 and 2)

Closing Prayer: Chris Stott

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