



From The Elders at the St John Church of Christ

Now you might say, “but what about Numbers, Leviticus, and Deuteronomy?” Well, this is a survey. We move to the last chapter of Deuteronomy and enter the book of Joshua. Moses is the great hero, as God leads Israel out of Egyptian bondage and into the wilderness. The book of Joshua opens with the transition from leadership under Moses to leadership under Joshua. Now, as we see these changes in leadership, the focal point: the story is about God. God selected Moses working through him. Now God selects Joshua, one of the spies who reported with Caleb, “God can do this!” His training under Moses has prepared him to lead God’s people.

You might notice some early repeated imagery. Moses sent 12 spies into the land and only two spies reported the potential for success, Joshua sends 2 spies into the land and they meet Rahab, who shelters them. The people entered the wilderness through the parting of the Red Sea by Moses, now the people enter the promise land through the parting of the Jordan river by Joshua. Also Joshua, like Moses, calls on the people to remember to obey the Law. In the book of Joshua we see God [\(Person\)](#) as the protector, deliverer, and provider. Joshua’s distribution of the land inheritance shows God as a promise keeper, faithful. The children of Israel [\(People\)](#) learn to obey God and to increasingly depend upon him. God providing for the people of Israel just as he had promised in Deuteronomy 6, *to give you, great and splendid cities which you did not build, and houses full of all good things which you did not fill, and carved cisterns which you did not carve out, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant, and you eat and are satisfied.* [\(Provision\)](#).

In Our Prayers

Don Hornbaker
Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Shannon Bauer
Elmer Schuette (Marla’s Brother-in-law)
Becky Carter
Maggie Harris
Drexyel Like
Carol Gingrich
Kay Kinnamon

Brenda Staub
Ryker Berens
Sally Truitt
Madison Cole
Larry Hamm
Rick Rodness
Boyd Gower (Vanessa’s cousin)
Joseph Morien (Jessica’s Dad)
Lisa Cornwell
Vernon Bartlett
Piper Harner
Melanie Barkley
Mark Naes

Upcoming Events

CORE Meal [Monday, August 21]

We serve the meal for CORE on Monday, August 21. Please contact Pam or Zeb if you could help with this meal.

CORE Fundraiser [Sunday, August 27]

CORE will be holding their annual fundraising lunch on Sunday, August 27. The meal will begin at 12:15 PM at the I.O.O.F. Lodge. It will go until 2:00 PM. There will be a pie auction and door prizes. It is a free will offering for the meal. There will be childcare provided (for all ages) - including lifeguards. Kids 8+ will be allowed to swim.

Save the Date:

SMC - Ladies Retreat - October 6 & 7
SMC - Crafter's Retreat - October 12-14
SMC - Men's Retreat - October 15-17
SMC - Teen Retreat - November 17-19

Birthdays this week:

Clara-Jean Huffman - August 15

Worship Order

Welcome Table: Zeborah & Jessica Carter

Greeters: Terry and Joy Sallee

Song Leader: Gary Hornbaker

Sound System: Quinn Palmer

Gathering: #574 - Oh, How I Love Jesus

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: Jayce Feril (Job 33:4)

Prayer: Tom Turner

Song: #484 - You are My All in All

Song: #332 - Lead Me to Calvary

Communion: Orrin Feril

Song: #31 - Be Still and Know

Lesson: Zeborah Carter

Song: #934 - Softly and Tenderly (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Chris Mansel

<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>
