St John Church of Christ

Bulletin

June 16, 2024

For The Church



Reading the Bible is a discipline that all Christians should have as a part of their rhythm of life. It should probably be a daily practice that helps to keep us focused on our faith. When you read the Bible do you have any preconceived notions about the Bible that cause you to miss the message that God has for you on that day?

Evelyn Christenson said "sometimes we take a perfectly good word from the Bible (such as "chastisement," "suffering," "submission," "healing," "God's justice"), dive immediately into our pools of "I thinks" and weave them subtly and securely around that word, leaving the impression that all of our "I thinks" about the word were included in the scriptural meaning of the word."

I think this is very true about how we sometimes read the Bible. We have an idea what something means, maybe because that's what we have always been taught or have always known, but we fail to see what God is speaking to us in the moment. We use our preconceived assumptions as gospel truth, and we sometimes miss the point that God is trying to make.

Challenge yourself to read the Bible daily (don't be legalistic to yourself if you miss a day). When you do read the Bible ask yourself this question before you begin to read: What is God trying to teach me today? Then pray that God will reveal the message that He wants you to have from your reading today. Spend some time pondering what the passage actually says instead of what we have always thought it says.

When we partake in these practices while reading scripture, we may not learn anything new some days, but other days we might have things that hit us so hard that it might transform us.

In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Elmer Schuette
Carol Gingrich
Madison Cole
Susan Mayer (Chet's sister)

Audie Thornburg Shari Soukup Zeb Carter Juanita (Abby's Mother) Rick Toland Tim Taylor

Girard and Marilyn Holinde Courtney Emery Brenda Staub Dwight Huston Becky Carter Smith Family

Upcoming Events

Silver Maple Camp

There are still three sessions of Camp available to sign up for. If you need any help in getting your children signed up for these sessions, let Zeb know.

Save the Date:

July 7-13 - SMC First Session

July 14 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)

July 14-20 - SMC Second Session

July 21-27 - SMC Third Session

August 11 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

Birthdays this week:

None



Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Darrell & Shannon

Bauer

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Jayce Feril

Gathering: #578 - We Will Glorify

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Zach Marks (Romans 8:31-38)

Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Brensing

Song: #535 - The Glory-Land Way

Song: #337 - Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Communion: Chris Mansel

Song: #662 - I Surrender All

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #915 - Trust and Obey (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Jerry Kinnamon

Sundays: Blble 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,

Zachary Marks

Minister: Zeboriah Carter