

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Patrick Floyd

Lord's Table:
Presiding: Kyle Pool

Assisting: Brynn Hatcher
Tyler Christian

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: John Patchell

Those serving Wednesday

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Chad Futrell

Teacher: Chad Futrell

Announcements: Chad Futrell

Closing Prayer: Phil Byrd

Pantry Item
Condiments

Sermon Notes *Proclaim Liberty!*

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111. _____

May 29, 2022

Welcome!

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Service Times

Sunday:
B. C. 9:00am
Worship 10:00am

Wednesday Night:
B. C. 7:00pm

Ladies' Class:
Tuesdays 10:00am

Elders
Wade Hedgepeth
Byran Hatcher

Deacon
John Williams

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“Cry aloud and shout...for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel.” Isaiah 12:6

Take Aim

A number of years ago an accomplished marksman was passing through a community in which he saw evidence of amazing shooting. On barns, on trees, and on fences were many targets with a bullet hole in the exact center of the bull's eye. So he anxiously sought out the marksman who had performed such astounding accuracy.

When at last the man was tracked down, the marksman asked “Your shooting is the best I've ever seen. How did you do it?”

“Nothing to it,” was the reply, “I shot first and then drew circles around the holes.”

The worldly usually take aim at nothing and then hastily draw circles around their accidental shots. When others make a snide remark about their lives they can proudly exclaim, “Nailed it!” This is why they go in circles around shots they aimlessly call. Men go where they aim themselves. When people aim out in the dark at nothing, they hit their mark every time.

One of the most uncomplimentary things to be said about someone is that, “He lives an aimless life.” The weak person rambles about only going through the motions of life and lives without any purpose, but the strong personality is definite in his pursuits and that is why society honors him. The world is quick to pass over one's lapse of memory or errors of judgment, but never aimlessness. The plans and purposes of a person are an index to his character, especially when viewed in the light of his motives.

The supreme incentive for high achievement and lofty living is noble objectives. We are not apt to drop very low as

long as we reach for a star. The stars are very high and we should be figuratively reaching for them every day.

Paul reached for the stars every day. He opined, *“Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus”* (Philippians 3:13,14). The sad part of one’s life is not living up to one’s potential or failing to reach one’s goals, it is never having goals to begin with.

The great people of the Bible lived with great purpose. Abraham *“looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God”* (Hebrews 11:10). Moses, *“when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season”* (Hebrews 11:24,25). Joshua said, *“choose you this day whom you will serve... but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord”* (Joshua 24:15). And the Lord lived with the highest purpose, *“to seek and to save that which was lost”* (Luke 10:10).

Every individual should imagine the kind of person he or she wants to be. When this image is clearly and indelibly imprinted on the mind it becomes the power to mold one into that image. Everyone can participate in this exercise.

Become a real adult. *“When I was a child, I spake as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things”* (1 Corinthians 13:11).

Be a friend to man. *“As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men”* (Galatians 6:10).

Be self-reliant, industrious, with great courage to face life head on. Make your own living and be able to stand on your own two feet.

Be a builder. Do not be someone who always tears things down, instead desire to build and create things.

Be loyal to God and His Kingdom. *“Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness”* (Matthew 6:33).

Be a doer in life, not a passive observer. *“Faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone”* (James 2:17).

-BTH

By the Numbers

Attendance 5/22/22

Bible Class: 35

A.M. Worship: 70

Wed. B. C.: 30

Family News and Notes

Kim Perkins’ mother is doing much better in rehab and is at home while receiving special care. **Expectant mothers:** keep all our expectant mothers in you prayers: Rebecca Lee, Destiney Foster, Elaine Turnage, and Monica Ullom. Linda Williams’ mother, **Mary Pipkens** and her brothers, **Wayne** and **Harry** all are in need of prayer because of serious health concerns. **Frances Salaz** is going through chemo. **Linda Hernandez** has been dealing with a heart issue and has not been able to be at worship. Let’s remember one another in prayer.

Pray for our world leaders at this time. Much of the 82nd Airborne is already in Europe to support our allies and in case war breaks out. Active military: Pray for all active duty military members; they could be called to a conflict area at a moment’s notice. Remember to pray for their families as well. We have 4 active duty members here at Cape Fear.

Also remember: **Margaret Langston, Vicky Carver, Deborah Ross,** and the **Davis** family. Please pray for those in Bible Studies, teachers and students!

Bible Reading Plan

May 29	May 30	May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3	June 4
Lev 9-10	Lev 11-12	Lev 13-14	Lev 15-16	Lev 17-18	Lev 19-20	Lev 21-22
Ps 148	Ps 149	Ps 150	Pr 1	Pr 2	Pr 3	Pr 4

Events

Memorial Day: Tomorrow. Be Safe! Many are traveling this week

New Quarter: Next Sunday! All young people in the Fellowship Hall for Bible class

Mens’ Training: Sunday June 26 at 1pm

