

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Kyle Pool

Lord's Table:
Presiding: John Patchell

Assisting: Tyler Christian
Ron Austin

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Brynn Hatcher

Those serving Wednesday

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Chad Futrell

Teacher: Chad Futrell

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Phil Byrd

Pantry Item

Canned soup, chili, pasta

Sermon Notes

A Look At Local

I. What The _____ Is

II. What The _____ Is Not

III. It Is _____

IV. It Has _____

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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

The Cape Fear Crier

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

Responsibility

A few months ago my dad preached a sermon entitled, “A Word Not Found In The Bible.” That “word” was responsibility. Obviously while the English word “responsibility” is not used once in Scriptures it most certainly is found in concept on practically every page. God just giving man the Bible itself brings with it an inherent responsibility.

When one travels this wide world there might be signs posted to do something or attempt to see something “at your own risk.” It could be traveling to a socially or politically volatile location. It might even be traveling to a remote, yet beautiful place that could present hazards along the way. The truth is that traveling down life’s pathway is very similar, we live at our own risk. In life we are responsible for our actions and decisions, not our environment, not our momentary circumstances. We are. In the end I am held accountable for the decisions I have made, whether they were mistakes or perhaps even triumphs.

Typically children will make the case to be involved in activities otherwise prohibited pleading, “everyone else is doing it.” To which, mother would reply, “if everyone jumps off a cliff would you do it too?” That settles the matter right there. The smart aleck is compelled to push the envelope and say “yes” but the position is untenable. It is usually best not to follow the crowd, they are typically going the wrong direction anyway (Matthew 7:13,14).

A store keeper in a small town was needing to leave on an extended business trip. So he left his 12-year-old son in charge of the store while he was gone. The father was able to entrust

the store to such a young person because he had grown up in that store. He knew every inch of it and wanted to see it do well, so now he was in charge! Can you imagine a person of that age being given so much responsibility today? When one is able to take on greater responsibility it is a sign of maturity. Being irresponsible is a sign of immaturity. I look back at times when I was young and careless. Hopefully I have grown out of those attitudes and now display full maturity.

The Parable of the Prodigal Son is all about being responsible. The younger son received his inheritance and promptly wasted all that he was given. All of us past a certain age can look back at our lives and we see glimpses of when we acted in a similar fashion to that young man. Wasted money, wasted opportunities, wasted relationships, the list goes on. Through the maturation process of time and experience those opportunities were used in a much different way.

As stewards of God, man is responsible for:

1. His livelihood
2. His way of handling the Scriptures
3. His own salvation
4. The use of his talents
5. What he does with opportunities
6. Being his brothers keeper
7. Carelessness
8. Debts
9. Contracts
10. His word
11. All his deeds

No, the word “responsibility” is not found in the English version of our Bibles, but that concept is on every page!

- BTH

By the Numbers

Attendance 9/18/22

Bible Class: 45

A.M. Worship: 70

Wed. B. C.: 31

Family News and Notes

Rejoice! **Helen Remaude** (aka Gigi) obeyed the gospel last Sunday. **Arnold Speight, Katie Speight's** grandfather, passed away recently. **Linda Boston's** cousin in New Mexico passed away last week. **Nazreen Sahib**, coworker of **Jennifer Hatcher**, has stage 4 cancer, **Kim Perkins'** mother is in rehab and receiving special care. **Expectant mothers:** keep all our expectant mothers in your prayers: Destiney Foster, Elaine Turnage, Brianna Johnson, 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. 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

Sep 25	Sep 26	Sep 27	Sep 28	Sep 29	Sep 30	Oct 1
Neh 1-4	Neh 5-8	Neh 9-11	Neh 12-13	Est 1-5	Est 6-10	Job 1-4
Ps 86	Ps 87	Ps 88	Ps 89	Ps 90	Ps 91	Ps 92

Events

Gospel Meeting: September 25-28 @ Sheffield Dr C of C. 7:30pm weeknights. Eddie Craft speaking. Flier in foyer on bulletin board

Fellowship Meal: to honor Rick and Robin Caldwell. After the morning worship service.

Baby Shower: Congregational baby shower for Elaine Turnage Sunday October 16 after morning worship see Gloria Emerick or Melany Hatcher for more details.

