

The Main Thing

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THE LOGIC OF WORSHIP

Do you understand why we do what we do in worship? In one sense it is a very simple question, but it is extremely important. To worship in ignorance is a form of idolatry. In this article I will explain our order of worship. It is my hope that, as a result, your understanding will increase leading to a much more profitable experience of worship at MSPC.

It has become fashionable in recent years to develop worship services that appeal to the congregation's emotions. A good service is one that makes me feel as though I have had a positive encounter with God. If I don't walk away feeling good then something about the worship is inadequate. There is one major problem with this approach. It focuses entirely on 'me' and excludes the main object of worship, the Triune God. If God is the object of worship, shouldn't we be more concerned with pleasing him than satisfying ourselves?

To illustrate, it is like hiring someone to paint your house. You expect the painter to paint each room the color you have chosen, but instead he paints colors that suit his personal taste. How would you respond? In worship we are like the painter and God is the house owner. Our job is to do what He likes. This is the heart of true worship.

Coming back to our question, we do what we do in worship, because it is what God likes. But how do we know what he likes? He must tell us. How does he tell us? He speaks to us in his Word. A classic statement of this teaching is found in the Old Testament: "Whatever I command you," said the LORD, "be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it." (Deut. 12:32) We worship rightly when we worship according to God's command, not our personal preferences.

The logical question that emerges from our discussion so far is: What has God commanded us to do in worship? He expects His word to be read, preached and heard (see Acts 10:33; 2 Tim. 4:2; Rev. 1:3; Heb. 4:2, Col. 3:16). He expects the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper to be practiced (see Matt. 28:19; 1 Cor. 11:23-29). He also expects his people to pray and sing to Him (Col. 3:16; Eph. 5:19; James 5:13). These are traditionally called the *elements* of worship. They are the nuts and bolts of Christian worship.

It is important to add that God is also concerned with our attitude when engaging in worship. The word of God is to be read, preached and heard, the sacraments are to be performed, and prayer and singing is to be offered up to God in an appropriate manner. A mixture of joy, reverence, humility and thanksgiving should characterize our services (Joy- 1 John 1:3-4; reverence- Hebrews 12:28-29; humility- James 4:10; thanksgiving- Philippians 4:6).

Now that we have identified the elements and attitude of worship we need to understand something of the logic of our liturgy. Liturgy is the name we give to the order of our service. The liturgy answers the following question: How are the elements of worship to be ordered and why? Below is a breakdown of our order of service. I have divided the service under five headings.

1. The Triune God - the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit- Invites us to Worship [Call to Worship, Hymn, Prayer of Adoration]
2. The Triune God - the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit- Prepares us for Worship [Confession of Sin, Assurance of Pardon, Hymn, Offering]
3. The Triune God - the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit- Speaks through His Word and His People Respond in Prayer & Praise [Pastoral Prayer, Reading of the Word, Sermon, Hymn]
4. The Triune God - the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit- Feeds His People in the Lord's Supper [Invitation & Warning, Words of Institution, Prayer, Distribution of Bread & Wine, Prayer of Blessing]
5. The Triune God - the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit- Dismisses Us With His Blessing [Benediction]

There is a biblical logic to this order; it is not random. The worship service begins with an invitation from the Triune God to his people. We must remember that our God is a great king. Therefore, like kings and queens on earth, we must be invited to enter into his presence. No one has a right to approach God at any given time. It is a privilege that God himself grants to us.

In our liturgy God speaks first through the call to worship. The call usually consists of a reading from the Psalms that focuses the congregation on the task at hand. The Psalmist reminds us of the glory and greatness of God and exhorts us to praise and magnify him. In response to the call we sing a hymn of praise, and pray for God to accept our worship.

The second major section of our liturgy reveals how God makes us fit for worship. We are reminded of his awesome holiness and our need to be holy in order to enter into his presence. The Psalmist asks, "LORD, who may abide in your tabernacle? Who may dwell on your holy hill?" The answer is given, "He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness." We know that in and of ourselves we are sinners. We are unfit to enter into the presence of a holy God. Therefore, we humbly confess our sins together and receive pardon through Jesus Christ. Our access to the Father is through the Son as we are united to him by the Holy Spirit (Eph. 2:18). This is a momentous event in our liturgy. It is the application of the saving work of Christ for his people. It begins with deep humility (confession of sins) but ends with overwhelming joy (assurance of pardon). In response the congregation praises God in the singing of a hymn and through the offering.

After inviting and preparing his people for worship the Triune God speaks. This marks the third section of our liturgy. In this section the word of God is read and preached. What an immeasurable privilege to be in communication with God! This is a high point of our service. At this time we are encouraged, rebuked, corrected and trained in righteousness (2 Tim. 3:16). Our Father is seen actively rearing us as his beloved children. He teaches us about himself and his household. He corrects us when we need correcting. He encourages us when we need encouragement.

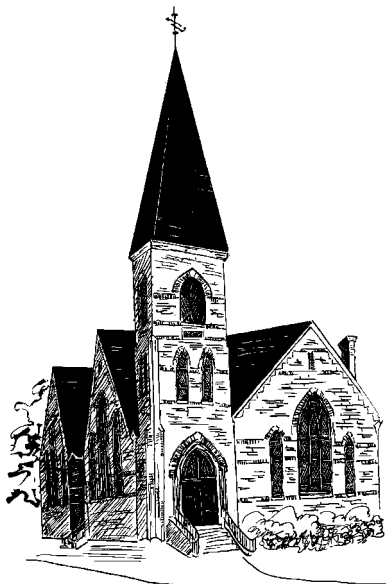
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In addition to his spoken word the Triune God has added the visible word. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper is a visible sign and seal of the gospel. The order is important. The written word must always precede the visible word. We would never know the God given purpose of the bread and wine if God had not first revealed it to us in his written word. The Lord's Supper marks the fourth section of our liturgy. In this sacrament the Triune God provides spiritual nourishment for his children. Bread and wine act as symbols for the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Just as bread and wine nourish and strengthen the body so too does the flesh and blood of Christ nourish the soul. In the Supper we learn that everything we need for salvation is to be found in Christ. We feed upon him and in so doing we are strengthened spiritually.

In the final part of our worship the Triune God dismisses us with his blessing. It is important to note that our worship begins and ends with a word from God to his people. He invites us to worship and dismisses us with a word of encouragement. He sends us out into the world with the comforting reminder that he is our God and we are his people. What does this mean? It means that the LORD of creation, the Almighty One, is constantly watching over us and ruling this world in such a way that "all things work together for our good." He is with us in our home and in the workplace. His blessing is upon us at the dinner table and while we enjoy various forms of entertainment. In all that we do in this world we remain in constant union and communion with the Triune God. We are made aware of this fact in the final benediction.

Our order of service follows a logical chain that cannot be broken. It mirrors God's redemptive historical plan for his people [creation, fall, restoration]. First God invites us to enter into his presence for worship. However, for this to become a reality we, as sinners, must be purified and made holy. That leads to the second section of our worship. Having made us fit to enter the presence of the Holy One of Israel we then are able to communicate with God. He speaks to us through the reading and preaching of his word and we respond with our offerings, prayers and praise. A divine-human dialogue is taking place. Following the spoken word is the visible word. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper only has meaning in relation to the gospel. Therefore, the Supper must always follow the reading and preaching of the word. The order must not be reversed. After being fed at the Lord's Table we prepare to depart and return to our homes and workplaces. Before departing the Triune God dismisses us with his blessing. This is the logic of our worship at MSPC. I hope you find this helpful as you seek to worship God with greater understanding.

Pastor Matocha



Main Street Presbyterian Church
A Presbyterian Church in America Congregation
Sunday School 9:30
Morning Worship 10:40 Evening Worship 6:00



HAPPY HEARTS

May 1, 2015, was a really fun day at Main Street Presbyterian Church with Happy Hearts meeting in the fellowship hall. It was the traditional May Day celebration with lots of beautiful flowers. My neighbor called to offer her garden flowers which included spectacular peonies and red roses. I added a few vivid irises, miniature glads, and my peonies. I loved using the tall silver container given to our church by Mrs. Betty Holland some years ago. Peonies in clear vases were scattered up and down the tables where we ate. It was one of our prettier table arrangements. Nathan, Landon, and Olivia Grace set the tables for me the afternoon before. God provides help in lots of ways. The children were a special blessing and joy.



We talked about May Day and the usual customs of May Day pole dances and flowers for special people. People used to hang baskets of flowers on door knobs, then run and hide so that the person receiving the bouquet would have to guess who left the flowers for them. May poles were lots of fun for children who held a ribbon and wove it in and out as they went around the pole. Many of us could remember May pole dances when we were in elementary school. Eleanor and I recall May Day Celebrations in the Magnolia Bowl behind Franklin Academy. We enjoyed reminiscing about the "good ole days".

We were honored to have the Graduating Fours perform for us. They were absolutely adorable!!! The Happy Hearts seniors were quite impressed with all that the Fours had learned and were preparing to present in their graduation program.

Mrs. Gaines Gaskin, Mrs. Beth Easterling, and Mrs. Cathy Duncan were their teachers. The program began with the children reciting the pledge of allegiance and singing "You're a Grand Ole Flag". Then they led us in the Lord's Prayer. It was a wonderful beginning. The children did some of the usual four year old exercises and songs. But much to our surprise, they sang songs listing the books of the Old Testament and the New Testament. It was amazing and most of wished we could sing along with them, but we didn't know the books of The Bible in order. They also went from A to Z quoting a Bible verse for each letter. When asked, they bashfully told us their individual names. We all enjoyed seeing them perform and obviously their practice run had gone really well. We knew their parents and grandparents would be as proud as peacocks. We were!!

We can be very proud of our Main Street Christian School and its capable staff. Mrs. Cindy Donald is a most capable director. Each teacher is carefully and prayerfully selected. A committee of our church members is responsible for the administration of the school. Several of our group had served on that committee in previous years. Main Street Christian School enjoys a good reputation in our community and has since 1969 when Mrs. Cile Andrews began the school which was known as The Presbyterian Preschool at that time. Mrs. Gaines Gaskin is the granddaughter of Rev. Bateman for whom the Bateman Building is named. Rev. Bateman served this church for 22 years and was the pastor when the Shulls got married. So many of us were reminiscing as the children preformed and were thankful for this ministry of our church.



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I sometimes wonder why I write about the menu, but I go ahead and do it. It really isn't important what we eat - other than I hope to one day entice you to come and eat with us! We enjoyed spaghetti, tossed salad prepared by Frances Laws, French bread, and strawberry cakes for dessert. Would you believe Nell Fleming did her signature sweet tea for us even though she had been through two surgeries for kidney stone removal? We are all so thankful Nell has, after the third surgery, gotten rid of the problem.

As usual, Nancy Franks, Jean Yelverton, and Johnice Shumaker did most of the dish washing and cleanup. Their willingness and desire to serve in this way is a tremendous blessing to all of us, and especially to me!

Our June meeting will be another special event. We will be entertained by Harmony G.R.I.T.S. which is a group of ladies who harmonize. You may have read about them in the local newspaper a few months ago. Make your plans now to attend. You don't want to miss this one! We did miss those of you who were unable to be with us on May Day. I hope you can join us for our June gathering!

Bess Swedenburg



The 2015 Graduating Fours
of Main Street Christian School



Train up a child in the way he should go;
even when he is old he will not depart from it.
Proverbs 22:6



You Got Cables?

by
Ron Simpson

Come on guys, you've been there. You are out shopping or have gone to dinner with the family. Or perhaps you are a young man taking out that girl who finally agreed to go with you to see a movie. You get back to your car. You take your seat in the cockpit of your reliable apparatus of transportation. You turn the key, and nothing happens. Your engine does not respond. Your battery is inexplicably dead. The embarrassment you feel, and the awkwardness at having let down your family or the young lady is absolutely mortifying. With an air of assurance, you get out, pop the hood and gaze into the inner workings of your faithful steed. Unfortunately, staring at those magical, mechanical mysteries that reside in the dark recesses of the car hood accomplishes nothing. Nevertheless, you stand and stare. By popping the hood of your car and standing there as if you know what you are doing you have activated the emergency network of the brotherhood of the broken down (ENBBD). In just a few minutes, someone will walk up beside you and ask, "You got cables?" That is the non-offensive way the ENBBD offer help to jump off the battery of some other poor soul who has found himself in this embarrassing situation. Before long, with your manliness still intact, you and this other genius manage to get your vehicle jumped off, and you are on your way. All that was needed was a little boost.

I must confess that I often find myself in a similar situation when it comes to corporate worship. Sometimes I find it difficult to get my mind, and my heart engaged. On Sunday mornings, I am often diverted by the logistics of the order of service. The technicalities of the music and my focus on the mechanics of the worship hour at times become a hindrance to my ability to engage in worship. I have found that even when I am not in a leadership role I have the same problem. The worries, and distractions of life, and thoughts of plans with the family following the service can hinder me. Even the experience of fellowshiping with the brothers and sisters in the Lord before the service can keep my mind from being able to focus on the truly important thing at hand, which is worship of the Lord.

The reason I share this with you is because I feel I am not alone. I feel there probably is a brotherhood of the broken down when it comes to worship. Just like the poor soul who needs a boost to crank his car, I often need to be spiritually jumped off. When it comes to identifying an actual scriptural reference to this phenomenon, the best I have been able to do is 2 Timothy 1:6.

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands."

Admittedly, this passage addresses spiritual gifts and not worship. To me, however, it implies that sometimes things of the spirit have to be "fanned" to get the fire going. On Wednesday nights, our Pastor has been teaching on prayer and has pointed out that prayer is work. Prayer and worship are work and disciplines we have to fan, encourage or stir up within ourselves.

So how do we do this? Where are the spiritual booster cables? I am afraid I don't have any of those. But I can make some suggestions. These are some of the things that work for me. First, I would recommend you read the order of service before the service begins. Go ahead and look up and read some of the passages we will be reading in the course of the worship service. Get your heart and mind in tune with the Word. Second, I find it helpful to read whatever confession is being used in that particular service. Let your heart find agreement in that confession. Ponder the points of that reading you find confusing or don't fully understand. Third, sometimes I look up one of the hymns we will be singing and read the text of the stanzas and think about what they actually are saying. The words of hymns often pass by me due to the fact I am so focused on the music. Pay particular attention to the words of stanzas other than the first. Quite often, we are familiar with the first verse but may have never noticed what the subsequent verses are saying even though we have often sung the hymn.

Lastly, I encourage you to listen to the pre-service music and the prelude. When we go to department stores and restaurants, we hear music all the time. We have become so used to hearing and speaking over this background music that we begin to treat the pre-service music and prelude as if they were elevator music.

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Has it ever occurred to you that a musician playing an instrument or a vocalist singing is experiencing worship in their heart as they play or sing? One of the most effective jump-starts to worship I experience each and every week happens when I stop and listen to the organ as Edna Mae plays. Whether she is playing a familiar hymn or a classical selection, I am encouraged to worship. Her music is an offering to the Lord. She and our other musicians worship using the talent God has given them.

Does God really care about music? Music is evidently important enough to the Lord that Genesis chapter 4 records the early origins of music naming Jubal as the father of those who play the lyre and pipe. (Sorry sports fans. There is no mention of the father of those who kick the ball.) Moses' sister led the Israelites in song. David was said to have the ability to play the harp such that it drove bad spirits away from Saul. It is a shame to treat such a marvelous gift and act of worship as static or background noise.

This coming Lord's day, spend time in fellowship with those around you. Visit, laugh and encourage each other. Then, stop and take some time to listen, not with just your ears, but also with your heart. Open your heart and soul to the Word of God. Engage all your senses and let your spirit be jump started into worship.



Praise
GOD!!
from
WHOM
ALL
blessings
FLOW



The last Men's Prayer Breakfast for the year was on May 13. During the period since the restart on March 4 a huge amount of food was consumed: more than 60 dozen eggs, enough bacon and pork sausage that the Iowa Legislature should pass a resolution thanking us for boosting their economy, a mountain of biscuits, and a sea of grits. Along with that lots of coffee and many gallons of orange juice to wash it down (a few of us more discerning epicures opted for V8).

The fellowship was wonderful and the conversations varied. I learned that when on a desert island the most important possession is a boat. I was regaled about the perils of camel riding in Australia. Nicholas Hairston pointed out that junior high algebra is of no use and is only there to torment the students...I can't deny that!

Allan's devotional messages were on the mark and gave insight and thought to each of us. This coupled with the period of private and corporate prayer started the day just right. The thing is - it's not just about the food or the fellowship or even the message and prayer - it's the whole package.

After a summer break the Breakfast will start back up on September 9. Pogie has no doubt already set up his fishing schedule so that the bacon and sausage will be ready on time. So guys, mark your calendars and plan to be part of this wonderful ministry.

Mike

Women in the Church



The Women in the Church met on May 5th to complete the study on James-Growing in Wisdom and Faith-by Elizabeth George.

Lunch consisted of pasta salad, sandwiches, chips, and sweet tea. Bess Swedenburg served her delicious pound cake with strawberries and ice cream for dessert.

WIC will take a break for the summer, but will resume on Tuesday, August 4th, at 11:00 a.m. All of the women in the church are invited to join this time of Bible study and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you in August!



WIC at Night meets every week in the fall and spring to have a Bible study in a home. It is an opportunity for women who can't attend the morning WIC meeting to have fellowship with ladies regularly. The meetings will resume in August once school is back in session. We will pick a book together and read and discuss a chapter each week. Ladies start showing up around 7:00 to chat over coffee and treats and we have tried to start the Bible study by 7:30. We would rather ladies show up late than not at all, so it's been very informal and laid back. We look forward to seeing everyone back in August and hope to see new faces, as well!

Kathryn Matocha

This past spring the WIC at Night ladies have enjoyed meeting and studying for 12 weeks Elyse Fitzpatrick's book, Idols of the Heart. All of us realized that we had hearts full of many different types of gods or idols, some good and some not, but that we truly longed to have God alone in our hearts. At the beginning of each chapter, Fitzpatrick illustrated how different people in the Bible had false gods or idols that kept their hearts in habitual sin, just like we are today. She demonstrated that with God's grace we can turn from idols and let Him have all of our attention and affections. My favorite part of the study was the way Fitzpatrick helped us determine what idols we personally were worshipping. Practical steps were given to guide us in resisting and crushing these false gods. We had so many honest discussions about our daily lives and these attacks from Satan. I feel that our group really grew in their understanding of the Holy Spirit and the desire for a more obedient walk with Jesus Christ.

All of us enjoyed the opportunity of praying with and for each other every week. Love was certainly present when we were together and a deep bond of Christian fellowship was formed.

Laurie Flora

Wic at Night at Proffitt's Porch





ABC Liberia Update

To our faithful co-laborers in Christ:

Twelve thousand pairs of shoes have opened the door for us to send urgently needed equipment for the re-opening of the college in Liberia following the Ebola epidemic!

Obviously, this statement needs explanation. Following our arrival in the jungles of Liberia back in 1970, our 5-year-old twins, Paul and Palmer, would beg me each time I set off to purchase supplies at the coastal town of Greenville, "PLEASE BUY SKATES (tennis shoes)." They were deeply concerned that their newly found friends in the jungle were "barefoot."

That concern is still there! Several years ago Palmer held what he called "Barefoot Sunday" at his large mission centered church in Arizona. Amazingly, 2,000 pairs of shoes were left behind as the congregation went home "barefooted!" A team from the church distributed the shoes and the Gospel by motorcycle to villages in the jungle.

The news spread and today other churches, even a college, have gone "barefoot." There is a reason why this has become urgent – Ebola's main gateway into the body is through bare hands and "BARE FEET." As a result, 12,000 pairs of shoes are about to be shipped to Liberia!

Taxis in Liberia have a favorite saying on their back window, "GOD'S TIME IS BEST." We had just received an email from our Liberian staff who has watched over the campus while it has been closed because of Ebola, in which they reported **that much of our electronic equipment is "spoiled" and must be replaced before the college reopens.**

It was only a few days later that Palmer called to inform us that **if there was anything we needed to send, there would be extra room in the container leaving for Liberia soon.**



GOD'S TIME

IS BEST!!

The door has been opened to send this equipment!

Container soon to be loaded with 12,000 pairs of shoes and needed equipment for ABC in Liberia

THE FOLLOWING IS OUR SHOPPING LIST – put before you in order that you may have a part in helping to REOPEN the College once again:

- ❖ **25 computers**
- ❖ **10 good printers**
- ❖ **2 classroom projectors**
- ❖ **2 copy machines**
- ❖ **One more important item: Our present ancient generator needs a younger refurbished 100 KVA model as a back-up**

We will be leaving for Liberia in mid-August to oversee the challenge of bringing this pioneer college back to raising up Christian leaders of excellence for which it had become noted.

We count on the fact that ***With God, ALL things are possible!*** (Matthew 19:26).

KEEP US IN PRAYER!

Nell and Jack Chircken

Open Doors Medical Ministry News



Getting Soapy in Haiti

Not everything that I do on a medical missions trip involves taking care of the sick. A few days ago, I completed a trip to La Plaine in Haiti. The trip's primary purpose was to assist at Clinique Medicale de le Reforme (Reformation Medical Clinic) as they are in the process of hiring new doctors. I interviewed several doctors who would like to work at the clinic. I also visited a hospital in the town of St. Marc and gave a lecture to family practice residents there.

Another activity involved soap recycling. You know those little bars of soap you get at the hotel, that you use once or twice? They usually get put in the trash. However, it is not too hard to melt these bars down and make them into new soap. Reformation Hope's women's ministry worker Linda Maphet invited me to give a demonstration on the technique. Clean the soap pieces, grind them up, add water, heat in microwave until hot and liquid (which kills germs), add color as desired, pour into loaf molds, wait until cool, slice, allow to dry, add label, and shrink wrap. The four Haitian women were quite happy to learn the technique and excited to try enhancements, like adding fragrances.

The goal is to start a viable microenterprise that will provide jobs and a service to the community. The women will need to work on how to market the soap at a price sufficient to pay for shipping the soap pieces to Haiti and to make a profit. If you'd like to help with this project, please contact Linda Maphet at lmaphet@gmail.com.

Return to Southeast Asia



In the last week of January and early February, I journeyed to a medical team to Asia for two weeks. Our team conducted medical clinics in four locations, caring for around 400 people, both among the Christian minority and Buddhist majority. We were also invited to preach at churches on four locations.

These were locations that I and *Mission to the World* teams had visited just about every year for the last five years. A big joy for me was to see patients I had treated in years before, some of whom were doing better. The woman above was very sick last year with untreated diabetes, but was now doing well with insulin. We were able to bring her a new supply. It's a big encouragement to me, and to the patients that we haven't forgotten them.

My son Nathan came with me on the trip. Nathan's particular job was to shoot scenes for a diabetes education video in two local languages. Please pray for Nathan as he is looking for employment in videography or Christian radio. A video of the trip, composed by Nathan, can be viewed at this Youtube address: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ri3TwkFMnKQ>

Later this summer we'll be loading up a sea shipping container with furnishings for the clinic in Haiti. I am looking for volunteers with a truck who can help me move donated furnishings from Charlotte and Ocala, Florida to Marietta, Georgia. I'm also looking for desks, cabinets and a portable ultrasound machine.

***If you'd like to help, contact: Grace Medical Outreach Ministry, Inc.
wiley@gracemedicaloutreach.org***

MSPC Youth

The high school youth enjoyed a fun evening at the home of Trip and Bethany Hairston on May 6th. They swam, enjoyed a meal, and had prayer together. What a great way to jump start the summer!

Come join the activities at Main Street in the fall. Come experience the blessings of Christian fellowship.



Looking Ahead



- June 4 Happy Hearts
- June 7 Communion (Evening Service)
- June 9-12 General Assembly
- June 15-19 VBS
- June 21 Father's Day
- June 29- July 3 RYM - High School
- August 4 WIC resumes
- September 9 Men's Prayer Breakfast resumes

Enjoy the summer, but



Don't Take
a **Vacation**
from **Church**



PRAISE:

Lawrence Han Talley, newborn

NEW NEEDS:

Nell Fleming – recovering from surgery
Rebekah Jacobs (Brad & Alice Talley’s daughter)
Upcoming Weddings:
Christopher Newton and Natalie Hinton
Kennedy Flora (Gray & Laurie Flora’s son) is beginning a ministry on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. He will be there until October.

CONTINUING NEEDS:

Our Shut-Ins:

- Dot Norton
- Louise Armstrong
- Joan Buster
- Sadie Brewer
- George & Martha Clegg
- Jamie Mills
- Jennifer Garner
- Phillip Goodwin
- Leah Woods (Brad & Alice Talley’s daughter)
- Bubbie Yelverton
- Verda Laws
- Edna Mae McCoy
- Nancy Gustafson
- Jean Yelverton
- James Leggett (Jami Law’s brother-in-law)
- Libby Springer
- Billy & Emily Shull
- Beth Halverson - friend of Amy Kilpatrick, reoccurrence of breast cancer
- Fran Perkins
- John Mark Russell
- Faith Whitlock - Christa Chapman’s mother

 President Barack Obama
 Officials in Washington
 Governor Phil Bryant
 Mayor Robert Smith
 Police Chief Tony Carleton
 Sheriff Mike Aldredge
 State and City and County Officials

 Kids Growing in Christ
 Helping Hands
 Life Choices Pregnancy Center
 Palmer Home
 All churches and pastors in Columbus

April 30, 2015

Lawrence Han Talley

Parents
Isaiah & Hannah Talley

Grandparents
Brad & Alice Talley



Do not be anxious about anything,
but in everything by prayer and
supplication with thanksgiving let your
requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

June Volunteers

Nursery

- June 7 Jennifer White
Janie & Reed Williams
- June 14 Frances Glenn
Kitty Brewer & Olivia Laws
- June 21 Alice Talley
Roger & Joy Day
- June 28 Cathy Duncan
Patrick & Morgan Shipp

Ushers

- June 7 John Beard, Roger Day,
Trip Hairston, Ray Kilpatrick,
Richard Laws*, Russ Russell
- June 14 Gray Flora*, Mike Meharg,
Matt White, Rick Wright
- June 21 Bayard Grillis, Bill Laws,
Henry Pilkinton, Ben Woodson
- June 28 Grover Allgood*, Richard Fleming,
Phillip Goodwin, Brad Talley

MONEY COUNTER

Henry Pilkinton

BUDGET REPORT MAY 2015

Offerings this Month

\$24,930

(One week remaining)

Gifts to the Church

In Honor of the 2015 Graduates

*Mr. Reed David Williams
Mr. Matthew Kwame Sarpong*

*by
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Franks*



Father's Day
June 21, 2015

June

2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Verda Laws Lucas White	2 <i>Robin & Betty Weaver</i>	3 Meghan Matocha <i>Vee & Beth Ferguson</i>	4	5 Johnice Shumaker	6 <i>Roger & Joy Day</i>
7 Communion during the PM Service	8 General Assembly	9 Missions Committee Meeting 6 p.m.	10	11	12	13 <i>Frank & Robyn Arnold</i>
14 Lydia Duncan Rhonda White <i>Ed & Rhonda White</i>	15 Vacation Bible School 9 a.m.– 12 noon	16 Robert Glenn, Jr. <i>Ron & Linda Simpson</i>	17 Kitty Brewer Gray Flora	18 Brad Talley	19 Cheryl Williams <i>Richard & Nell Fleming</i>	20 Allan Brewer Nicholas Hairston
21 Father's Day Michal Williams	22	23	24 Phillip Goodwin	25	26	27
28	29 <i>Trip & Bethany Hairston</i>	30				

Birthdays

Anniversaries



Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Calling all subjects to Main Street Presbyterian Church
for Vacation Bible School during the week of June 15-19!

9:00 a.m until 12:00 noon

Come by the office to register your child or to sign up to volunteer.

**MAIN STREET
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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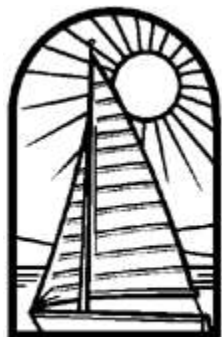
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Sunday Schedule

9:00 a.m. Church Officer Prayer Time

9:00 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Practice

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:40 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Thursday Schedule

Weekly Prayer Meeting at Noon