



The Weekly Bulletin of the Summit Church of Christ

We love sharing the truth of God's Word!

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FIX YOUR EYES
ON JESUS
2020



*Christ Came, Died, was Buried,
Resurrected, & will Return*

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Happy Thanksgiving

We want to wish all our Church family a Happy Thanksgiving. Hope everyone stays safe and finds a way to spend some quality time with their loved ones, even if it is only virtually. I can say this pandemic is definitely putting a damper on our holiday traditions.

Thankfully, there's only 39 days left in 2020. We can all say, "What a year this has been!" In February the pandemic hit, and the United States seemed to shut down! Restaurants closed, cinemas closed, people were forced to work and school from home, March Madness was canceled, Opening Day was delayed and, if you can believe it, even the Lord's Church doors were closed. I talked to one brother and he said this has been the worst year of his life. How can we give thanks?

In all circumstances give thanks! 1 Thess. 5:18

When we recap this year there really is still plenty to be thankful for!

- Although the doors of our church were closed, we never missed a worship service. We thank God that we have the ability to stream our services!
- We were in prayer for two people in our church family that needed transplants. We thank God that Barry Johnson received a new liver and Caleb Robbins a new kidney!
- We thank God that we have not lost one member of Summit to COVID!
- We thank God for the work Neville can do helping people cope with the anxiety, depression and hopelessness that come with a pandemic.
- We thank God that we were able to slow down and spend quality time with our family. We had more time to read, learn to cook and complete home projects.
- We thank God that our church family reached out to and supported one another with food and phone calls.
- We thank God for the new members at Summit, including Robert and Rachel Murphy as he begins his work as our associate minister.

O Give Thanks to the Lord for He Is Good. Ps. 107:1

Brothers and Sisters, we are truly blessed! During this Thanksgiving season we have so much to be thankful for, especially our Church family! Do not forget to "Fix our eyes on Jesus" as we look forward to a better and more prosperous 2021. God Bless!

Know that the Lord is God, it is he who has made us, and we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with "Thanksgiving." Ps 100 3&4

Bill, for the elders





THE FIRST BAPTISM

Robert Murphy

When was the first baptism? Some might think Pentecost (Acts 2:38); others may say Jesus' baptism, still others who have read 1 Pet 3:20–21 may say the Great Flood (Gen 6—9). However, the first baptism (or antitype of baptism) occurs in Genesis 1. The entire world was originally submerged in chaotic waters (Gen 1:2). However, when God created the world, he removed the waters from the earth and then continued to create. This same symbolism is used throughout the Bible when God redeems his creation, thereby making them a new creation. This can be observed at the flood where water destroyed the earth and God (re)created the earth from it. It was used at the exodus where water

was used to destroy the Egyptian army and create the nation of Israel (1 Cor 10:1).

This has a few implications on our understanding of baptism. First, baptism is something that God's people have experienced *across covenants*. Therefore, those who claim baptism is unnecessary need to be aware that all of God's people, both past and present, are baptized. Second, this helps us understand the new-creation symbolism involved with baptism. Whenever we come out of the chaotic waters, we, too, are a new creation like that described in Gen 1; 11; Exod 14. "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come" (2 Cor 5:17; ESV). I now encourage you all to study what it means to be a part of God's new creation and how that effects how we live.

ROOTED, BUILT-UP & STRENGTHENED

Brad Herald

One of my "verse of the day" emails from K-Love this week was Colossians 2:6-7.

"⁶So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him, ⁷rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Receiving Christ as Lord of your life through baptism is the beginning of a life with Christ, but you must continue to follow His leadership by being rooted, built-up, and strengthened in the faith.

Jesus wants to guide you through your daily walk of faith and we can follow His leadership by:

- Seeking to learn from His life and teachings by studying His word. It takes dedication, muscle and a shovel to be rooted and built up in Him.
- Committing to live for Christ by submitting to His will, not yours, to receive His nourishment.
- And recognizing His power is in you and you can accomplish all things through Him who gives you strength.

As Christians, we draw our life-giving strength from and through Christ. The more we draw our strength from Him, the more we will be full with a thankfulness that only He can provide.

News, Notes & Announcements...



BIBLES TO SIGN

Please stop by the lectern in the foyer and write a word of encouragement for those recently baptized.

SOCKTOBER

The Denhams are collecting socks and cold-weather gear for the homeless. There is a labeled container in the foyer for donations.

SUNDAY AM SERMON:

THANKSGIVING DESPITE 2020

HABAKKUK 3:17-19

¹⁷ Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, ¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will

take joy in the God of my salvation. ¹⁹ God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places.

1. EVEN THRU 2020'S CHANGES, THANKFUL GOD IS

U_____, (MAL. 3:6; HEB. 13:8), HAB.3:17

2. EVEN THRU 2020'S SUFFERING, THANKFUL FOR GOD'S

S_____, HAB.3:18

3. EVEN THRU 2020'S SLIPPERY SLOPES, THANKFUL FOR

HIS STRENGTH TO BE S_____, HAB.3:19

CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00

YTD AVG - \$4,410.21

Over/Under: **-\$18,680.25**

Oct. 25, 2020-\$4,319.00

Nov 01, 2020-\$4,741.00

Nov 08, 2020-\$5,360.00

Nov 15, 2020-\$4,832.00

Summit's Prayer List

Pray for these - Send a card - Make a call - Visit someone - Help with needs - Encourage someone today!

Ashley Holland Pregnancy is at 30 weeks; there are some unanswered questions about the baby's health.

Christy (Amanda Robinson's friend) No treatment option for cancer that spread to her spinal cord; transitioning to hospice care soon.

Kerri Herald (Josh & Stacie's daughter) Recent bloodwork showed a chromosomal abnormality as the reason for her developmental delays; Stacie asked for prayers that Kerri will be able to live her own life as independently as possible.

Lloyd Eastham Arthritis is progressing; overall health is declining.

Lost Souls

Matt & Emily Madden's family Recovering from COVID

Sam Postlethwait (Kyle Staskey's grandfather) Died from COVID complications

Cancer

- **Bev** (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer
- **Dan Read** (Dan McNeese's friend) Tumor is shrinking.
- **Dave Hammer, Jr** (Sharon's son) Cancer is stable.
- **Mike White** (former elder at Summit) Prostate cancer.
- **Sean Timmerding** (Sheryl Herald's friend) Brain tumor is stable.
- **Shellee Jenkins** (Melissa Denham's cousin) Recent mastectomy.
- **Tylene Clark** (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Cancerous mass.

COVID - Healthcare Workers/First Responders

- Aaron & Katelyn Adams (Sandy Adams' son & daughter-in-law)
- Abby Onst (Sharon Hammer's niece)
- Adam Fuller
- Alicia Nelson (Billie Rogers' granddaughter)
- Amanda Robinson
- **Candy Proctor**
- Clay Brown (Sharon Hammer's nephew)
- **Dustin & Kristin Menetrey**
- **Jenna Painter**
- **Josh Herald**

- **Julia Menetrey**
- **Kate Sloan**
- **Kelly Downey** (Deb Martin's daughter)
- **Laura Staskey**
- Lori Bell (Nancy Carnes' daughter)
- **Mary Moore**
- Megan Lee (Michelle Dischar's daughter)
- Romeo & Mariville Dumlaio
- Samantha Pearson
- **Tracy Menetrey**
- **Vincent Dumalo**

Long-term Needs

- **Clara Proctor** (Kyle & Steve's grandma) Hospice care
- **Daniel Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's brother) Drug rehab
- **Harold Painter**-recovering at home
- **Joey Adams**-needs a suitable group home
- **Julie Skinner** (Amanda Robinson's mom) Caring for her parents who have dementia
- **Mandy** (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce
- **Peggy Holt**-recovering from a stroke
- **Ruthann Taylor**-health struggles
- **Stephanie Gilliam** (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure

Shut-In Members

- **Clara Downard, Dana Fuller, & Shirley Holt**

World Bible School Update:

Pray for our 4 active students & 3 active teachers

Ongoing Requests

Ben Buchanan-Alaska mission
Neville Buchanan-counseling work
For our country and our leaders
For our members to grow in the Word
Our Community's lost souls