



We love sharing the truth of God's Word!

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Summit

Church of Christ

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

Sunday 10am Bible Study

Sunday 11am Worship

Sun. 6pm Bible Study & Devotional

Wednesday 7pm Bible Study

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Jeff Carnes - Facilities & VC

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EXTRAORDINARY LOVE

Brad Herald

In my daily Bible reading this week I read Luke chapter 15, where Jesus tells the Parables of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin and the Lost Son.

The sheep was lost because like most of us, at some point in our lives, it wandered away. The coin was lost through no fault of its own, but the son foolishly left out of selfishness and his sinful desires. It may seem irrational for the shepherd to leave 99 sheep to go search for just one, but the shepherd knew that the 99 would be safe in the sheepfold together, but that the lost sheep was in danger.

In the parable of the lost sheep and the lost coin, the seeker actively looked for the lost sheep and the lost coin, which could not return by themselves, but in the story of the lost son, the father watched and waited. Like the lost sheep, when we wandered away, we were weak, helpless and in danger. We could do nothing on our own to save ourselves. Someone had to come and rescue us.

We may be able to understand a God who would forgive sinners who come to Him for mercy, but a God who tenderly searches for sinners and then joyfully forgives them must possess an extraordinary love! This is the kind of love that prompted Christ to come to Earth to seek and save the lost. This is the kind of extraordinary love that He has for each and every one of us!

Romans 5:8 "But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."

What amazing words! God sent Jesus to die for us, not because we were good enough or deserved it, but because He loved us. Whenever you feel uncertain about God's love for you, remember that He loved you even before you turned to Him. If God loved you when you were lost, He can surely strengthen you now if you return to Him.

As we celebrate the death, burial and resurrection of our risen Savior today, just know it doesn't matter how far we have strayed away from our Heavenly Father, God's love is constant, patient and welcoming! He will search for us and give us an opportunity to return. In the same way the father watched and waited for the lost son, the Heavenly Father is waiting and watching to welcome us home.

UKRAINE RELIEF EFFORTS

Thank you to all who generously contributed to support relief efforts for the churches of Christ in Ukraine. Summit sent \$3,850 to the congregation overseeing these efforts.

The funds collected are being used 100% for relief efforts. These include:

1. Purchasing items for the Family Buckets
2. Helping pay transportation charges- they are going through Gdansk and then trucking into Ukraine with the large trucks as far as possible, then transferring to vans and smaller vehicles to get to

more dangerous locations. They must clear Poland Customs and have that resolved.

3. Direct wires into Poland/Ukraine for purchase of needed commodities in the areas of Ukraine where we can enter.

4. Financial assistance to Ukrainians who have evacuated into Poland--they make sure local congregations are involved in giving these funds to keep the Church connection. The Polish brethren are super in assisting the needs of the refugee brethren.

Thank you for your support and please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine.

THE DIVINE MYSTERY REVEALED

Robert Murphy

Paul tells the church in Eph 3:3 that God had revealed “the mystery” to him. The term “mystery” refers to hidden, esoteric knowledge only given to those “initiated” into a special group. This language was used in the so-called mystery religions in the Greco-Roman world. Paul likely found this language appropriate because the “mystery” that was revealed to him was far more cosmic and real than the secrets of these mystery religions.

What was the mystery? Paul explains it most explicitly in Eph 3:6, “that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel...” (NASB). Paul explains this mystery in another way in 1:9–10, “He made known to us the mystery of His will...the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth.” Thus, the secret knowledge that was revealed to believers is the reconciliation of the world with God and itself through Jesus. The emphasis in Eph 3 is on the Gentiles being reconciled to God. This

reconciliation of all nations to God is anticipated in the Old Testament numerous times, but the prophecies veiled *how* God was going to reconcile the Gentiles to himself through Israel. That is partially why Jesus was so misunderstood by the world, for many of the messianic prophecies seem to tell of a warrior-king who will defeat Israel’s enemies.

Why did God keep this a mystery? Why not just explain everything in detail from the beginning? Would that not have made it easier for people to believe in Jesus when he was on this earth? While we may not know every reason why God concealed his plan of salvation, the Bible gives us several hints, which I will take up next week. What is important for us to remember is that this “mystery” is no longer hidden knowledge but is meant to be shared and proclaimed. The holiday of Easter, after all, is all about God reconciling the world through the resurrection of Jesus, showing that death has been conquered. I hope that you will join me in proclaiming this mystery to others throughout the week in order to show the profound wisdom and love of God.



News, Notes & Announcements...

WORKDAY AT THE BUILDING

Saturday, April 23. On the outside, we will be removing the old mulch and replacing it with new. Then, on the inside, we will be doing a deep clean of the building. We need (and would very much appreciate) all the help we can get. Please contact Jeff Schaefer with any questions.

FAMILY WORKSHOP

There will be a Family Workshop/Seminar at Summit with Adam & Leah Faughn on Saturday, April 30 from 9am-2pm.

This seminar is meant to encourage and educate parents as they seek to raise godly adults. Childcare and lunch provided.

SENIORS LUNCH

The seniors will meet for lunch Wednesday, May 4th, 12:30pm at the Cracker Barrel in Cold Spring. Please let Sheryl Herald know if you plan to attend.

LADIES DAY AT SUMMIT

Summit will host a ladies day on Saturday, May 7th, from 9am-2pm titled *Daughters of Eve*. Cyndi Murphy of Rolling Hills church of Christ is the scheduled guest speaker. The lessons will focus on being wonderfully made *female* in God's image as helper and life-giver and will encourage both young and old to stand in and glorify God in that truth.

POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME GLEANER CANS

Available for pick-up. Please contact the office if you would like a can to fill. They will be collected this fall.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

GRADUATION CELEBRATION

Summit will celebrate graduates on Sunday, June 5th during the fellowship meal. If you know of someone to include, please send their name to Melissa Denham or Sheryl Herald.

Summit's Prayer List

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

Charlie Parsons (**Natalie's friend from Harding**) Diagnosed with blood cancer synovial sarcoma- starting chemo soon
Ethan Judy (Friend of Fullers) Surgery to remove cancer (10% of pancreas) on May 5th
Kyle Lomax (**Sheryl's cousin**) In ICU battling infection following kidney transplant, starting to talk again
Lauren Patterson Family (**Douwene's co-worker**) 36 years old, died suddenly in her sleep
Lucy Ferguson Knee brace will hopefully come off May 1st
Melanie Schaefer Recovering from knee procedure
Michael Braswell Rotator cuff/shoulder problems
Russell Mihills (**Deb Martin's brother**) Brain surgery to drain fluid went well, will remain in the hospital a few more days to see if his balance/walking improves
Sally Pape (**Renee Carnes' mom**) Recovering from multiple fractures
Samantha Pearson Open-heart surgery rescheduled for May 5th
Ukrainian brothers and sisters in Christ Please pray for their safety

Cancer

- Dan Read (Dan McNeese's friend) Tumor is shrinking
- Dave Hammer, Jr (Sharon's son) Latest scans good
- Joy Adams- Recovering from breast cancer surgery
- Ruthann Taylor- Radiation treatments
- Vickie Steffan (Jeff Brown's sister) Chemo
- Wayne Young (Ann Young's son) Cancer in remission

Long-term Needs

- Evon Herald- Onset of dementia
- Joey Adams- Needs a suitable group home
- Kerri Herald- Pray for her ability to be independent as an adult
- Parker Webster- Juvenile diabetes
- Peggy Holt- Recovering from a stroke
- Raye Arroyos (Melissa Denham's mom) Recovery from her stroke is going well

- Stephanie Gilliam (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure

Shut-In Members

- Billie Rogers
- Clara Downard
- Dana Fuller
- Harold Painter
- Lloyd Eastham
- Shirley Holt

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

Summit's planning efforts for the future

Summit Family-greater love for one another

Summit's Deacons-encouragement in service

Summit's Elders-wisdom & love for the flock

Summit's Seniors-faithfulness & mentoring

Summit's Teachers-thankful for our teachers



~ Order of Worship ~

Song Leader: Billy Herald
Call to Worship #578 We Will Glorify
Hymn #509 I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

Opening Prayer: Steve Proctor
Hymn #381 Years I Spent in Vanity
Hymn #342 We Saw Thee Not

Lord's Supper: Isaac Mayes

Offering: 1 Corinthians 16:1-2
Hymn #344 Low in the Grave He Lay

Scripture Reading: Kameron Vickers

Message: Neville Buchanan
Invitation Hymn #924 Just As I Am

Closing Prayer: Daryl Denham

SERMON NOTES:

CHRIST REDEEMED OUR SINS SUCCESSFULLY
 JOHN 19:16-30

1. CHRIST CRUCIFIED ON A C_____

2. REDEEMED'S REGAL R_____

3. OUR O_____ - PIECE PROPHECY

4. SIN'S STAIN TO SEEING THE S_____ - IN

5. SUCCESSFULLY FINISHED S_____

~ Wed., April 20th Service Leaders ~

Song Leader - Isaac Mayes
 Opening Prayer - Steve Proctor
 Speaker - Andrew Ellis

~ For the Record ~

Upcoming Events

Saturday, April 23	Workday at the building
Sunday, April 24	Steve Teel/Baxter Update
Saturday, April 30	Family Workshop, 9-2pm
Wednesday, May 4	Seniors Lunch, 12:30pm
Saturday, May 7	Ladies Day at Summit
Saturday, May 14	Mid-Western 5k Run/Walk
May 27-29	Ft Hill Young Adult Retreat
May 27-29	Spanish Speaking Gospel Meeting at Summit

Mark Your Calendars

Sunday, June 5	Graduation Celebration
June 26-July 2	Fort Hill Youth Camp
Saturday, July 23	Church Picnic at AJ Jolly
July 31-Aug 3	Vacation Bible School
September 23-24	Men's Retreat at Potter's
October 21-23	Summit Retreat at Fort Hill
Wednesday, Oct. 26	Trunk-or-Treat

Attendance

Mar 20, 2022	85
Mar 27, 2022	73
Apr 03, 2022	84
Apr 10, 2022	70

Class

85
73
84
70

AM

149
137
132
125

Wed

43
48
52
52

YTD AVG Attendance

124

CONTRIBUTION

Weekly Budget \$4,876.00	YTD AVG - \$5,193.00
Over/ <u>Under</u> : +\$4,752.00	
Mar 20, 2022-\$4,201.00	Mar 27, 2022-\$5,014.00
Apr 03, 2022-\$7,686.00	Apr 10, 2022-\$7,686.00

Serving the Nursery

04/17—Cassie, Dax and Sarah Webster
 04/24—Emma Guin, Josiah and Kameron
 05/01—Laura and Carly Herald
 05/08—Douwene and Sarah Watts

Communion Preparation

April—Bettie Courtney



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL 17TH—24TH

DAX WILHITE 19TH

BRANDON WEBSTER 22ND

DAVID BUCHANAN 24TH

