Issue 48

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

	Sunday					
		Nov. 30, 2014	Dec. 7, 2014			
	Prayer	R. Coss	P. VanHorn			
	Scripture	Chr. Middleton	M. Davidson			
	Communion	L. Montgomery	P. Danz			
	Assist	R. Alt	S. Danz			
	Pass	B. Castleman	K. Danz			
	Pass	T. Brooks	B. Danz			
	Usher	D. Clay	A. Montgomery			
	Usher	B. Smith	B. Samu			
	Prayer	S. Danz	C. Roberts			
	Song Leader	N. Middleton	Chu. Middleton			
	Nursery	K. McGreevy	L. VanHorn			
Evening Worship						
Prayer		E. Stewart	M. Perry			
	Communion	D. Smith	B. Mullins			
	Prayer	B. Morton	B. Smith			
Bible Time		No Bible Time	N. & L. Middleton			
		5th Sunday singing				

Wednesday (Midweek Bible Study)

	Dec. 3, 2014	Dec. 10, 2014	
Prayer	P. Danz	D. Thomas	
Song Leader	D. Smith	L. Montgomery	
Devotional	R. Coss	J. Fronczak	
Prayer Z. Thomas		J. Nance	

Lincoln Park Church of Christ

Is America Leaving God? Judges 21:25

This book records the history of the nation of Israel for 305 years after the <u>death</u> of Joshua. Israel declined, backslid, and got away from God. And in this new study we will see many frightening parallels between Israel and America.

Israel was established by God Himself, and God gave Himself to them. He also gave them the law--the 10 commandments and the covenant. And He gave them Canaan, the best land of the earth at that time. And so God gave them the Lord, the law, and the land.

God only asked them for one thing in return--that they would love Him, obey Him, and serve Him. What did Israel do? They denied the Lord, they defied the law, and they defiled the land. So, God had to judge them.

The parallel with America is obvious and alarming. No nation has ever had a Christian beginning like the USA. We too have been given the Lord, the law, and a land, and we've denied Him, defied Him, and our land is being defiled.

Love, Russ

ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

SAMARITAN LADIES: Every Wednesday at 10:00 am.

BIBLE TIME: No Bible time (5th Sunday Singing)

THANKSGIVING DEVOTIONAL:

On Wednesday evening, November 26, all Bible classes will meet in the auditorium for a Thanksgiving devotional.

<u>LADIES' LUNCHEON</u>: Saturday, November 29 at 11:30 am at the Olive Garden in Southgate

5TH SUNDAY SINGING: Sunday, November 30 for the evening service. Rob Lyberg will be our guest speaker.

HELPING HANDS CHRISTMAS
LUNCHEON: Monday, December 8 at
Johnny Carino's (23075 Outer Dr,
Allen Park) at 11:30 am - All ladies are
welcome to attend. There will not be

welcome to attend. There will <u>not</u> be a Ladies' Luncheon for the month of December.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, November 13 at 9:00 am at Charlie's.

<u>E & D MEETING</u>: Sunday, November 14 at 4:30 pm.

FOOD PANTRY: Our pantry is very low at this time. There is always a greater need for food during the holiday season. Please check the list published in each bulletin for the most needed items. Cash donations are welcome.

CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE: If you would like to send holiday cards to members of our congregation, please place them in the boxes in foyer by Wednesday, December 17. Only names are needed on the envelopes. They will be sorted and distributed on Sunday, December 21.

<u>VOLUNTEERS</u> <u>NEEDED</u>: Please sign the lists at the back of auditorium if you can help with closing the building, communion preparation, or care of baptismal clothing for 2015.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

SAMANTHA BEWICK

ED INGLE

CAROL BURKE



CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Terri Baksa, Virginia Bone, Lilly Bumpus, Nolan Caddle, Fay Gallagher, Rhonda Jones, John Loera, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Rosie Mandernach, Randy Matthews, Bob Mullins, Michael Nicoletti, Erma Noe, Betty Parsons, Pat Pugh, Herb Riggins, J.D. Roberts, Bill Saylors, Ronald Siegel, Scotty Smith, Pauline Suggs, Val Toby, Valerie Tomaszewski, Michael Venier, Leila Wallace, Karen Ward, Linda Weick,



ELDERS' EDIFICATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

WHAT WE OWE

"OWE NO ONE ANYTHING EXCEPT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER, FOR HE WHO LOVES ANOTHER HAS FULFILLED THE LAW" (ROMANS 13:8).

Imitating a popular song from a Disney film, a bumper sticker stated, "I owe! I owe! So off to work I go!" Debt is a problem for most of us in some form or another. Even though we know that we are to owe man nothing, we find ourselves owing people money. Our culture offers the easy purchase and we bite into it hook, line, and sinker. Once in the clutches of debt, it is very difficult to escape.

Sin acts exactly that way. Satan offers the attractive things in life and gives us ways to get them. Those ways are they which enslave us. Once entangled, it is impossible to get ourselves out of the troubles. Oh, we can at times escape punishment from local authorities. We can mend broken lives like we do fences. We can make it so that in time everything is near normal again, but ultimately we are still in trouble because we have offended God's justice.

Paul explained this predicament in Romans 7. The sentiment of the chapter is this: We want to be right with God, but we are not. We are not right because we have sin in our lives. This sin puts us in the predicament of not being right with God. So no matter how badly I might want to be right with God and go to heaven, I know I can't do it. Sin is there and I cannot erase it. So, he concludes, "O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?" (Romans 7:24). Thankfully he answers his own question: "I thank God--through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin" (Romans 7:25).

During this holiday season of being thankful, let us not forget what God has blessed each one of us with, family, church family, Gods only son. Happy Thanksgiving Dear congregation.

Love, Chuck

WORDS OF WISDOM

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Colossians 2:6-7 NIV

PANTRY NEEDS



Peanut Butter
Jelly
Hearty Soups
Cereal
Banquet Homestyle
Bakes
Canned Meats

CONTRIBUTION

BUDGET	\$3,400

11-02-14	\$3,427
11-09-14	\$2,973
11-16-14	\$2,492
11-23-14	\$2,930

SERVICES

Sunday
Bible Study 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am and 6:00 pm
Wednesday
Bible Study 7:00 pm

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THEME FOR 2014

People Reaching People

SERVING THE LORD IN NOVEMBER



Communion Preparation: Linda Coss

Care of Baptismal Clothing: Julie Moran

Closing the Building: Patrick VanHorn

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Jeanette Fogarty	3	Carole Johnson	13
Charley Roberts	6	Samantha Bewick	20
Eleanor Starkey	8	Kevin Danz	20
Pam Fiori	10	Dan Bewick	27

Dave & Julie Moran 29

Taken from "Traditions of Men vs. the Word of God" by Alvin Jennings

PENTECOSTALISM—Brief History (continued)

A mixture with an Armenian Pentecostal movement took place in 1906. A group migrating from Russia in the last part of the nineteenth century found its way to California and came into contact with the Azusa mission. Pentecostals have been called the "third force of Christendom." Within seventy years they have grown until they claim a membership of eight and a half million members.

A neo-Pentecostalism has arisen in the United States in the last ten years. Its origin has been traced to St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Van Nuys, California. The Rector Dennis Bennett first became involved in glossolalia. It then spread to the members of the church where he preached. It was a first bitterly opposed by the Episcopal religious authorities, but it spread like wildfire. In ten years, it has touched nearly every religious group in the United States.

One of the chief means of the spreading of this neo-Pentecostalism has been the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International (FGBMFI). Oral Roberts helped at its organization in Los Angeles in 1960. Now there are chapters throughout the United States and in many parts of the world. Three of their magazines are Voice, Trinity and Testimony. Advocates of this neo-Pentecostalism include business executives, movie stars, T.V. personalities and college professors. (Glossolalia, by Jimmy Jividen, pp. 73-74.)