

December 13, 2015

Issue 50

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

Sunday

	<u>Dec. 13, 2015</u>	<u>Dec. 20, 2015</u>
Song Leader	R. Alt	Chu. Middleton
Prayer	E. Sueta	R. Coss
Communion	E. Stewart	P. Danz
Assist	D. Smith	D. Thomas
Pass	B. Hoffman	R. Alexander
Pass	T. Jarvis	A. Willingham
Scripture	Z. Thomas	P. VanHorn
Usher	D. Mandernach	D. Clay
Usher	T. Brooks	B. Samu
Prayer	B. Morton	B. Castleman
Nursery	L. VanHorn	D. Lande

Evening Worship

Prayer	R. Bone	T. Raupp
Communion	S. Lance	R. Alt
Prayer	S. Fiori	Chr. Middleton
Bible Time	C. & D. Middleton	C. & A. Middleton

Wednesday Midweek Bible Study

	<u>Dec. 16, 2015</u>	<u>Dec. 23, 2015</u>
Prayer	R. Bousho	M. Perry
Song Leader	D. Smith	L. Montgomery
Prayer	Z. Thomas	B. Smith

Lincoln Park Church of Christ

Be Careful Little Lips What You Say

If you could say anything you wanted to anyone, with no fear of consequences, what would come out of your mouth? If you're given that pass would you go find that person you REALLY have wanted to chew out for months? Would your speech be filled with profanity? Would you go tell your friends the latest gossip you just heard? Would you share that dirty joke you heard on the radio? If you said yes to any of these I'm glad you have self-control. I'm glad you've chosen (at times) to not say what you want to say. It wouldn't be pretty if you did. "The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell" (James 3:6). If Smokey the Bear were here he'd tell you "only YOU can prevent fires in your life . . . by guarding what you say". Or something like that.

I'm sure we can all think of a mess that was made by a few carelessly spoken words. I can picture that hurt look on someone's face when they hear what someone said about them. I can picture friendships ended, family relationships strained, and marriages becoming less than what God intended them to be. I believe the Word when it says the tongue can set the whole course of our lives on fire. God wants to rescue us from this. So He says: "Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days, keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies" (Psalm 34:12-13) I like good days. So I know I have to watch what I say. Since I want you to have "many good days" too I encourage you to do the same.

AM Sermon: Life Skills from James: Controlling Our Tongues

Reading: James 1:26

PM Sermon: Song Service

ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

SAMARITAN LADIES: Every Wednesday at 10 am. ALL ladies are welcome.

MEN'S GROUP: Every Thursday at the Tim Horton's on Allen Rd. / Goddard Rd. in Taylor at 7 am AND 4 pm.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Saturday, December 12 at 9:00 am at Charlie's in LP.

POWER FOR TODAY: Subscriptions are \$10 per year. Make checks out to "Power for Today" and give to Helen Middleton by Sunday, December 13.

E & D MEETING: for Sunday, December 13 at 4:30 pm has been canceled.

SPECIAL SERVICE: Members of the Allen Park Church of Christ will join us on Sunday, December 13 for our evening service. Plan to attend and get to know our brothers and sisters in Christ.

HELPING HANDS LUNCHEON: Monday, December 14 at 11:30 am at Johnny Carino's in Allen Park.

HOLIDAY CARDS: Cards are due back by Wednesday, December 16. You have an option this year to forgo buying cards and give a monetary donation to Fran Bone, which will be sent to the Patrick O'Neal Family. Names of those who donated money will be included in the card exchange.

LADIES' CLASS INFO: Remember to pick up your book from last year's class and begin studying on page 55. Contact Diane Middleton if you are new to the class and were not given a book last year.

ORPHANS LIFELINE: Donations are due on Sunday, December 27 to Randy Alt.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

Roberto Castillo, Katlyn & Selena

NEW YEAR'S EVE: Everyone is invited to the Fussell home on Thursday, December 31 at 7 pm for game night. Bring a dish to pass, your own soft drinks, and games to play. Sign the list at the back of the auditorium.

PILLOWCASE DRESSES: Two sewing days are being planned in January to sew pillowcase dresses for our missionaries. We are in need of pretty pillowcases, 1/2" knit elastic and packages of extra wide double fold bias tape in pretty colors (buy 2 of each color). Monetary donations are welcome too. Karen Danz.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

KIM TOMASZEWSKI had an eye procedure done on Wednesday, December 9. Please keep Kim in your prayers.

Keep **RAMONA DOUGLAS** in your prayers as she continues her chemotherapy.

MARGARET RODRIQUEZ spent several days in Wyandotte Hospital last week. Please keep Margaret in your prayers.

**IN SYMPATHY**

BILL SAYLORS passed away on Saturday, December 5. Visitation is Saturday, December 12 from 3-9 pm and the funeral service will be held on Sunday, December 13 at 1:30 pm at the Allen Park Martenson Funeral Home.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Jim Akers, Aaron Alt, Wesley Ballard, Rick Bliss, Jerry Bruno, Angelo Cappella, Anita Clauss, Virginia Clay, William Crilley, George Gabor, Fay Gallagher, Ed & Gera Ingle, Dennis Johnson, Josephine Johnson, Keith & Linda Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, Marion Logie, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Don Mandernach, Randy Mathews, Evelyn Mullins, Lydia Mullins, Jim Pitts, Brenda Prosise, Chad Rollins, Lynn Rinehart, Cospir Ruphard, Garry Ruphard, Scotty Smith, Louise Sparks, Amelia Stone, Don & Paulette Sweet, Val Toby, Rebecca Vaughn, Leila Wallace, Gary Watterworth, Jerry White, Jami Willingham



ELDERS' EDIFICATION & ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

"Mister, Are you Jesus?"

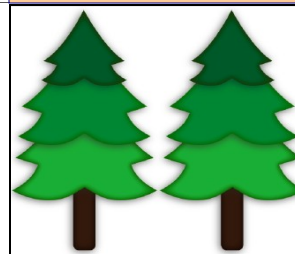
A number of years ago I read a story of a little boy, homeless, sitting on the street begging. A man passed by, looking at the boy, decided to stop and help. As he approached the young lad he determined that the boy could not walk. He asked where he would be staying the night and the response was, "At the shelter." Instantly the man decided that something had to be done. Picking him up he carried him to shelter the boy put his arms around the man and said, "Mister, Are You Jesus?" Taken back by the statement the man replied, "Why do you ask?" The boy said, "Before my mother died, she told me not to worry about the future because Jesus would take care of me." And then he asked again, "Mister, Are You Jesus?" Thinking about what the mother had said, the man responded, "No, I am not. But I am one of his disciples."

Reflecting on this story I thought about when John the Baptist was asked, "Are you the Christ?" and He said, "I am not." Isn't it interesting that going about doing good reflects on Jesus? Now you know, and I do too, that everyone that goes about helping others are doing so in the name of Jesus. But many people see doing good, especially to those in unfortunate circumstances in life, as a reflection of what Jesus would do in those same circumstance.

I think of Jesus saying that ministering to others (Matthew 25) demonstrates our ministry to the Savior. Touching the lives of others, ministering to some who is down and out rather than kicking them and telling them to stay down, reflects the compassion Jesus would have us demonstrate in our lives. Using your concordance or Bible program, do a study of the phrase, "And Jesus, seeing the multitude, had compassion on them, and . . .

When was the last time someone could have asked you, "Mister, Are You Jesus?"

Edward P. Myers, North Heights Church of Christ



CALL TO WORSHIP

⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. ¹⁰ And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ, the Lord. ¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

Luke 2:8-12

WINTER QUARTER ADULT & HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday, December 13

Auditorium: Book of James
Teacher: Doug Wells

Fellowship room: video series "Believe"
Teachers: Matt Perry and Pat Danz

High School:
Teachers: Chris & Annie Middleton

Wednesday, December 16

Auditorium: Men's Class (first 3 weeks are Men's Training class)
Teachers: Elders and Deacons

Fellowship room: Ladies' Class - ABC's of a Godly Heart part 2
Teacher: Diane Middleton

High School: Bible Bowl practice
Teacher: Tyler Brooks

SCRIPTURE READING

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless.

James 1:26

SERVICES

Sunday

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

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

OFFICE INFORMATION

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MINISTER

Doug Wells

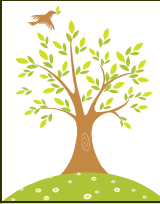
ELDERS

Russ Bone Randy Coss
Chuck Middleton Louis Montgomery

THEME FOR 2015

Sweet Year of Fellowship

SERVING THE LORD IN DECEMBER



Communion Preparation: Rosie Mandernach

Care of Baptismal Clothing: Rosie Mandernach

Closing the Building: Patrick VanHorn

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Butchie Montgomery
Moiria Clay
Linda Weick
Dick Leimstoll
Judy Stewart
Annalise Middleton
Pat Longoria
Doug Clay



Tom & Barb Raupp

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

1) 1 Corinthians 12-14
2) 1 Corinthians 15-16
3) 2 Corinthians 1-4
4) 2 Corinthians 5-8
5) 2 Corinthians 9-13
6) Galatians 1-6
7) Ephesians 1-3
8) Ephesians 4-6
9) Philippians 1-4
10) Colossians 1-4
11) 1 Thessalonians 1-5
12) 2 Thessalonians 1-3
13) 1 Timothy 1-4
14) 1 Timothy 5-6
15) 2 Timothy 1-4
16) Titus/Philemon

17) Hebrews 1-5
18) Hebrews 6-9
19) Hebrews 10-11
20) Hebrews 12-13
21) James 1-5
22) 1 Peter 1-5
23) 2 Peter 1-3
24) 1 John 1-5
25) 2,3 John, Jude
26) Revelation 1-3
27) Revelation 4-8
28) Revelation 9-12
29) Revelation 13-16
30) Revelation 17-19
31) Revelation 20-22

CONTRIBUTION

WEEKLY BUDGET

\$3,400

12-06-15 \$3,217

FOOD PANTRY

Well stocked.

Thank You!

