

August 7, 2016

Issue 31

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

Sunday

August 7, 2016    August 14, 2016

Song Leader	R. Alt	Chu. Middleton
Prayer	D. Smith	E. Stewart
Communion	M. Davidson	R. Coss
Assist	M. Perry	R. Alt
Pass	W. Lezotte	J. Fronczak
Pass	D. Boze	J. Fussell
Scripture	B. Castleman	R. Castillo
Usher	D. Mandernach	J. Toby
Usher	R. Alexander	B. Samu
Prayer	C. Roberts	D. Thomas
Nursery	A. Clauss	B. Montgomery

Evening Worship

Prayer	S. Lance	P. Danz
Communion	R. Bone	Chr. Middleton
Prayer	B. Smith	B. Morton

Bible Time    begins again in  
October

Wednesday Midweek Bible Study

August 10, 2016    August 17, 2016

Prayer	T. Raupp	P. VanHorn
Song Leader	D. Smith	L. Montgomery

# Lincoln Park Church of Christ

## A Giving Heart

I'm told there is a sea where water flows in and none flows out. This isn't normal, most bodies of water have both inlets and outlets. Water flowing through is a good thing. But this one sea is different, it only has water coming in. And this sea is known as the Dead Sea. Without an outlet the water has become stagnant, and way too salty. Eight times as salty as the ocean. And I want to agree with others who suggest that this sea serves as a good image of what can happen to our hearts.

You see, we always have blessings flowing into our lives. God is the giver of many good things. 1 Timothy 6:17 says that God "richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment." All good things come from him, and from Him come many good things that we can enjoy. But these good things were not meant to be enjoyed alone. They were meant to be shared. As God is a blessing to us He hopes that we will be a blessing to others. We are called to remember the words Jesus said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). And what will happen if we take all these blessings in but are unwilling to share? Then I suggest that we will become like the sea - stagnant. Our hearts will spiritually suffer for it.

And so I encourage you to have a giving heart. You have been given, so give! Bless the people around you when you have an opportunity. Give generously to God. Rejoice while you do it! Live for the moments when you can contribute to the Lord's work and put a smile on someone's face. Do this and your heart will thrive with all kinds of spiritual blessings. Give, and: "my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). Isn't that a wonderful thought? Meditate on this verse so that when you have an opportunity to give you actually WANT to do it. That's important - and that pleases God.

AM Sermon: You Have to Want To

Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:7

PM Sermon: Loving Who You Didn't Pick

ON THE CALENDAR AND CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

**SAMARITAN LADIES:** Every Wednesday at 10 am in room # 5. 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.

**HELPING HANDS:** Monday, August 8 at 10:00 am. All ladies are welcome.

**WED. TEEN CLASS:** Beginning August 10 in the balcony - "Bible Basics".

**TEEN'S OLYMPIC PARTY:** Friday, August 12 at 6 pm at the home of Matt and Lisa Perry. Join them for games, challenges, and a medal ceremony. Snacks will be provided. See Matt or Lisa for more info.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Saturday, August 13 at 9:00 am at Charlie's in Lincoln Park.

**E&D MEETING:** Sunday, August 14 at 4:30 pm in the fellowship room.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST CARE CENTER**

**BENEFIT EVENT:** Saturday, August 20 at 5 pm at Fern Hill Grand Ballroom. There is a sign up list for tickets at the back of the auditorium or see Russ Bone.

**LADIES' LUNCHEON:** Saturday, August 27 at 11:30 am at Famous Dave's in Taylor.

**ORPHAN'S LIFELINE:** Donations are due on Sunday, August 28 to Randy Alt.

**WALK FOR WATER:** Save the date! Saturday, October 8.

**MAGI BOXES:** The Healing Hands International MAGI Project is starting. HHI is supplying the boxes. See Linda Coss for more information.

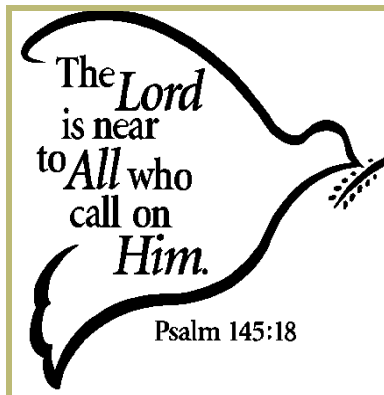
**NEW SISTER IN CHRIST: EMMA BARRY** was baptized on Sunday, July 31 by her uncle, Matt Perry. We rejoice with Emma on this great occasion.

**BABY NEWS:** ♥ Congratulations to Jerry and Tiffany Davis on the birth of their daughter.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

SHERYL PROSISE

BETTY NIXON



CONTINUE TO REMEMBER

Steve Banules, Shiho Benham, Virginia Clay, Ramona Douglas, Laura Farr, Margie Frost, Alberta Gabor, Fay Gallagher, Ed & Gera Ingle, Dennis Johnson, Yolanda Joiner, Candy Lance, Scott Lance, Ernie Leimstoll, Pat Longoria, Gil & Glenda Maldonado, Don Mandernach, Raymond Matael Family, Randy Mathews, Marie Miller, Ben & Peg Morton, Evelyn Mullins, Faye Porter, Brenda Prosise, Margaret Rodriguez, Cospier Ruphard, Garry Ruphard, Josh Smallwood, Katie Smith, Nancy Stevens, Elizabeth Thomas, Maria Tolbert, Val Toby, Leo Tomaszewski, Rebecca Vaughn, Judith Wegner, Jerry White, Willingham Family



## ELDERS' EDIFICATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT CORNER

### WATCH



### SUMMER MEMORY VERSES

A story illustrates the need to be watchful. A flood was coming and the deputy was heard up and down the streets calling for people to leave their homes and find safety in higher ground. A lady remained in her house because she was confident the Lord would save her from the storm.

After a while the water was coming into the house and things were beginning to float, so she sat inside her upstairs window. A man in a boat came by and offered a ride, but she refused. "I know God will save me."

Soon the water was to the roof, and there she stood at its peak when a helicopter came to the rescue. She refused even that. God would save her.

After she drowned she had the opportunity to face the Lord and ask, "Why did you not save me?" He responded, "I sent the deputy, the man in the boat, and the helicopter."

The story is obviously fictional, but it makes a good point. Sometimes God sends us help in ways that we might not notice or even refuse to accept. Such was the case of a real person, Naaman, in 2 Kings 5. He had leprosy and was told to dip 7 times in the Jordan River to be healed. Because it was not what he expected, he refused the help, until a servant rebuked him.

How often do we miss God's blessings because they come in packages that we deem distasteful? Let us keep watch with eyes that look for fulfillment of the promises of God.

Love, Chuck

*Taken from the Hope Church of Christ, Hope Arkansas*

Week # 7  
1 John 2:28

<sup>28</sup> And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

Week # 8  
Colossians 3:13

<sup>13</sup> Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

### SCRIPTURE READING

<sup>7</sup> Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

**SERVICES**

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



**SERVING THE LORD IN AUGUST**

*Communion Preparation:* C. Johnson & M.J. Johnson  
*Care of Baptismal Clothing:* P. Fiori  
*Closing the Building:* D. Smith

**OFFICE INFORMATION**

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**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Rosie Mandernach  
Elizabeth Belcher  
Jim Toby  
Bob Benham  
Ben Morton  
Arlo Seitz  
Erin Race  
Kim Landry  
Gail Nelson  
Juan Mendez  
Glenda Maldonado  
Evelyn Mullins  
Louis Montgomery  
Julie Moran  
Jackie Benham  
Corinne Sueta  
Gabrielle Clauss  
Olivia Fussell



Patrick & Leslie VanHorn  
Tony & Veeda Jarvis  
Don & Rosie Mandernach  
Randy & Linda Coss  
Mark & Crystal Zimbalatti  
Leo & Kim Tomaszewski  
Randy & Cheryl Alt  
Greg & Brenna Fry

**MINISTER**  
Doug Wells

**ELDERS**  
Russ Bone Randy Coss  
Chuck Middleton Louis Montgomery

**THEME**

**"Surrender to God in 2016"**

**DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST**

1) Isaiah 43-47  
2) Isaiah 48-51  
3) Isaiah 52-56  
4) Isaiah 57-59  
5) Isaiah 60-63  
6) Isaiah 64-66  
7) Jeremiah 1-3  
8) Jeremiah 4-6  
9) Jeremiah 7-9  
10) Jeremiah 10-12  
11) Jeremiah 13-15  
12) Jeremiah 16-18  
13) Jeremiah 19-22  
14) Jeremiah 23-25  
15) Jeremiah 26-27  
16) Jeremiah 28-30

17) Jeremiah 31-32  
18) Jeremiah 33-35  
19) Jeremiah 36-38  
20) Jeremiah 39-41  
21) Jeremiah 42-44  
22) Jeremiah 45-48  
23) Jeremiah 49-50  
24) Jeremiah 51-52  
25) Lamentations 1-2  
26) Lamentations 3-5  
27) Ezekiel 1-4  
28) Ezekiel 5-8  
29) Ezekiel 9-12  
30) Ezekiel 13-15  
31) Ezekiel 16

**CONTRIBUTION**

**WEEKLY BUDGET**

\$3,400

07-03-16 \$2,670  
07-10-16 \$3,120  
07-17-16 \$2,950  
07-24-16 \$3,368  
07-31-16 \$2,448

**FOOD PANTRY**

Volunteers are needed to distribute food on Tuesdays from 11 am - 2 pm.

