

SUNDAY AM	December 27, 2015	January 3, 2016
ANNOUNCE	Mark Vaughan	
SONGLEADER	Roy Halstead	
READING	Ed O'Dell	
PRAYER	Mark Vaughan	
COMMUNION	Mark Vaughan	
ASSIST	Paul Lemon	
ASSIST	Doug Stephens	
ASSIST	John Stephens	
ASSIST	Adam Carpenter	
PREPARE COM	Sandy Bungard	
POWER POINT	Anne Galbreath	Anne Galbreath
SUNDAY PM		
SONGLEADER	Roy Clark	
READING	Caleb Clark	
PRAYER	Ben Rominske	
COMMUNION	Zach Rominske	
Wednesday	December 30, 2015	January 6, 2016
Invitation	Mark Vaughan	Elvis Galbreath

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How to be Saved

Hear: Romans 10:14
Believe: Hebrews 11:6
Repent: Acts 17:30
Confess Jesus as Savior: Acts 8:36-37
Be Baptized: Acts 2:38

Website Helps:

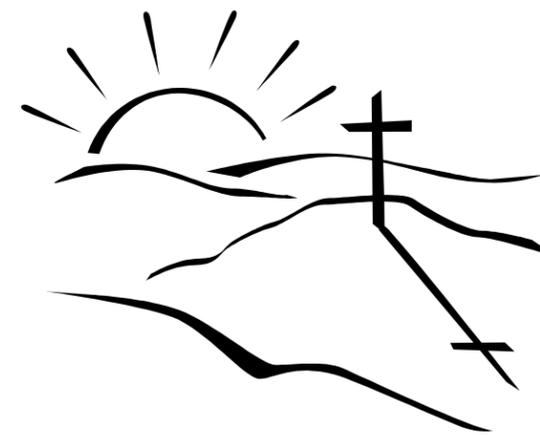
<http://thecolleyhouse.org>
<http://apologeticspress.org>
<http://gbntv.org>
<http://focuspress.org>
www.house-to-house.com/

Sunday December 20, 2015

Bible Study n/a
Morning Worship 83
Evening Worship 53
Offering \$1326.00
Wednesday Study (12/23/15) n/a
Attendance Goal 120

Meeting Times:

Sunday Bible Class 9:30AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30AM
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Class 7:00PM



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A Family Blessing

As we take a look at the past and learn lessons from our past we strive forward to the future. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses us as a congregation here at Sunrise. We must ask the question, "Where do we put our focus?" If we look to the scriptures and ask this question of Jesus' ministry the answer seems to be sinners and little children. Scripture teaches us that Jesus has a special place in his heart for sinners and little children. Luke 15:7, Jesus said, "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance." What a wonderful thing it is to have a sinner repent! Matthew 19:14, But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Knowing that Jesus focused on sinners and little children we should do the very same.

It will be our goal in 2016 to build and attract strong Families to the Lord's church. A growing church must be God-centered, love-based, Word-focused, and family-friendly. Without the last of these criteria, a church may be faithful, but it cannot be fruitful. Healthy churches are purposeful and strategic in supporting families. Notice the following plan for 2016:

Agree that everything we do will be biblical. It would never help the church to start doing things to satisfy people and not God.

Decide to build an intergenerational church. Rather than dividing age groups all the time, bring them together. A healthy family ministry takes into account the entire church family. Older members have invaluable wisdom to share with younger Christians if we create opportunities for them to interact.

Determine to bless and not stress families. In a healthy church, families should grow closer as their faith grows stronger.

Help the youth make a smooth transition to adult membership in the church. Long-term goals mean nothing if your youth fall between the cracks between ages 18 and 21.

Equip Christians to live abundant lives (John 10:10). In addition to core knowledge and values, Christians need biblical life skills that help them relate effectively and live responsibly.

Please help us strive to build a strong church and strong Christian families here at Sunrise!

May God Bless Us In 2016

Elvis

Upcoming Events

December 27: Traveling Youth Group Newport church of Christ 6:30pm

December 28: Love and Care Sing 7:00pm

January 3: Love and Care Worship 2:30pm

January 3: Evening Prayer and Song Service 6:00pm—Praying for our leaders

January 3: Men's Business meeting 7:00pm

January 7: Love and Care Worship 7:00pm

January 8: Game Night 5:30pm fellowship room

January 9: Men's Breakfast South Side Bob Evans 9:00am

January 10: Lads 2 Leaders Registration deadline for event participation

Family & Friends In Need of Prayer

Gretchen Lawrie	Jeremy Harris	Gage Brown	Wanda Vaughan
Mary Kupfner	Ricky Hill	Bryan Taylor	Mike Vaughan
Bill Spears	Roberta Piggott	Hailey Guthrie	Christie Stitzlein
Chuck Boston	Waylon Kirby	Eric Plotitz	Roselee Stanley
Dan Carpenter Sr.	Brenda Jones	Linda White	Helen McIntyre
Richard Johnson	Kathy Lovitt	Arlene White	
Donnie Piggott	Mary Manzo	James Piggott	Doris Smith
Davy Dye	Linda Nixon	Jonathon Neely	Bob Thomas
Phyllis DeLancey	Karen Metz	Melody Melrose	Bill Taylor



- † Bob Johnson is in Eagle Pointe Nursing home for recovery after a stroke. Please keep all the family in your prayers as they struggle through.
- † Ronda Facemire has been sick and not feeling well.
- † Pam Wilson is now on hospice. Please pray for her family.
- † Helen McIntyre has been having some difficulties with her health.
- † Anna Halstead is doing a little better with her health.
- † Sue Hardwick, Kathy Simmons sister, is having many health problems and is in need of our prayers.
- † Please continue to pray for the Kimes adoption process
- † Phyllis DeLancey, is in Marietta Memorial Hospital with bronchitis, she also needs a pacemaker.
- † Arlene White got an infection after surgery. She has returned back and forth from the hospital. She is resting at home now. Please pray for Arlene and Delbert as he takes care of her.
- † Please remember Davy Dye as he had laser knee surgery last week and will have the other knee done on January 4th. He is now at home.
- † Bryan Taylor's tumor has grown. He is having a new experimental treatment.
- † Beverly Phillips, Tim Phillips mother found a lump and the doctors think it may be cancer.
- † Bill & Chris Taylor are now in Florida with family.



Birthdays
Roy Balderson 12/29
Isaac Kennedy 12/30
Paul Lemon 12/31
Carolina Walton 1/3

Anniversaries
Mike & Lisa Carpenter 1/1

Matthew 5:41-43

- ⁴¹ And whoever compels you to go one mile, go with him two.
- ⁴² Give to him who asks you, and from him who wants to borrow from you do not turn away.
- ⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your



A special thank you to Brian Sigman for preaching and David Lamp for teaching Bible Class in my absence.

DRAW NEAR

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you" (James 4:8). This verse from James is very closely related to what he said in 1:12, "Blessed is the man who endures temptation." Temptations come against us fast and hard. And the devil has an army of assistants who pressure us to yield. We need help to resist. Where better to get help than from God himself? David expressed this better than I can: "Who will help me against evil doers? Who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity? Unless the Lord had been my help, my soul would have settled in silence. If I say, 'My foot slips,' your mercy, O Lord, will hold me up" (Psalm 94:16-18). Notice, when we "resist the devil" (James 4:7) our foot may begin to slip. Even then if we call upon the Lord his mercy will hold us up. Again, David tells us, "I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, so shall I be saved from my enemies" (Psalm 18:3). In time of temptation draw away from the crowd that entices you (resist the devil). Draw near unto God. He will hold you up and help you endure the temptation and you will have joy in the victory.

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Doing The Right Thing

First Samuel 16:7, But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look at his _____ or at the height of his stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the _____ appearance, but the Lord looks at the _____.

I. The Giant _____ (1 Samuel 17:1-19).

David was _____ (of the hair or complexion), _____ eyes, and _____ young man.

David _____ to serve before he began to reign or lead _____ people.

First Samuel 17:8, Then he stood and cried out to the armies of Israel, and said to them, "Why have you come out to line up for _____? Am I not a _____, and you the servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come to me.

There was a _____ response by all the soldiers of _____ when they heard _____ words—they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

David recognized _____ as "the _____ God"

II. Doing The _____ Thing _____

Hebrews 2:1, Therefore, we _____ give the more _____ heed to the things we have heard, lest we _____ away.

Show the _____ diligence (6:11), Do not be _____ (6:11), Be _____ of those who through faith and _____ inherit the promises.

As _____ generation Christians we should have more _____.

Hebrews 10:22 Let us _____ near with a true heart in full assurance of _____, having our hearts sprinkled from an _____ conscience and our bodies _____ with pure water.

Doctrine—Faithful _____ Action

Hebrews 10:38, Now the just shall live by _____; But if anyone draws back, My _____ has no _____ in him."

H _____, H _____, H _____

Sunday Evening Sermon—Laying Up Your

1. Single _____ (verses 19-21).

Treasure is more than just _____.

How do I lay up _____ in Heaven?

Galatians 2:20, I have been _____ with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but _____ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by _____ in the Son of God, who loved me and gave _____ for me.

Worship, Christ-like Character, _____, Leading others to _____

2. Single _____ (verses 22-23)

Matthew 6:22, the _____ of the body is the eye. Of therefore your eye is _____, your whole body will be full of _____.

Second Peter 1:9, For he who _____ these things is _____, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was _____ from his old sins.

3. Single _____ (verse 24)

Matthew 6:24, No one can serve _____ masters; for either he will hate the one and love the others, or else he will be _____ to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and _____.