



Jacksboro Edifier

July 12, 2020

Joy

For some people, life seems dull at best, and at worst, filled with anxiety and turmoil. Our nation's constitution mentions the pursuit of happiness as a right, but it does not guarantee our ability to find it. It appears people are in need of a joy transfusion, but don't know where to get one. I am persuaded an effective method of attracting unbelievers to the church would be the message that real joy, not happiness, can be pursued and gained in Jesus Christ.

Here comes the irony: most non-believers do not associate the concept of joy with the church or Christianity. I have often asked myself if these people have a reason to think that. Haven't we been to church services at some point in our lives where the people there looked like they had gathered to mourn a defeat rather than a victory? I've actually heard it said that many Christians look like they were "baptized in freshly squeezed lemon juice!"

God, however, intends Christians to live a joy-filled life. The Psalms are full of invitations to come before the Lord with a spirit of gladness (Psalm 100:1,2). We must remember that real joy does not come from things, nor is it found in some package. Real joy only springs forth from a close relationship with our Savior, Jesus.

Aaron

News & Notes

In Our Prayers:

† Treva Vogl (former member) has been diagnosed with kidney cancer. Please keep the Vogl family in prayer.

† Continue to pray for the following: **Chuck Hale, Cheyenne Stretcher, Carolyn Calhoun, Trent Lewis, Paislee Henderson, Betty Ogle, Savana Erwin, Erin Leach, Jenny Brannan (Lanora's cousin), Sheila Fuller, Christopher Fuller, Braelyn (Ricky's niece), James Rhodes, Ray Austin, Bobby Jones, Debbie (Jennifer's family), Alton Davis, (Sheila's dad).**

Shut-Ins:

♦ **Johnny McCord, Waneta Gilbert**
♦ **Military.** Remember our men and women serving in the military defending our freedoms. Continue to pray for: **Austin Williamson, Alexis Easley, Reagan Garner, Tristan Peterson and Hendrix Taylor**

FYI :

♦ **Terri Stretcher** will have the food list for those that have been recently hospitalized, this month. If you know a need, please let her know. Thank you to all of those who help with this.

Outreach

Evangelism
La Sosa, Honduras
Eastern European Mission
"The Truth In Love"
7:30 am Sundays—Channel MY27

Benevolence
Christ Havens for Children, Keller, TX
Foster's Home for Children, Stephenville, TX
High Plains Children's Home, Amarillo, TX
Lubbock Children's Home, Lubbock, TX
Tipton Orphan's Home, Tipton, OK
Westview Boy's Home, Hollis, OK

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Koby Hood	7-12
Christopher Fuller	7-14
Ruth Salazar	7-15
Hendrix Taylor	7-17

Contribution	7-5	\$ 4,781
Attendance	7-5	37

7/12/2020 Worship Order

Song Leader — Joel Hood
570 A Beautiful Life
Prayer — Joel Hood
650 Send the Light
315 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Lord's Supper Prayer — Will Johnson
711 Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Lesson— Aaron Lewis
Luke 23:44-49
852 When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder
Announcements — Bryan Bumpas
Elder of the Month

CHURCH OF CHRIST
215 E. Belknap
Jacksboro, TX 76458-2427
(940) 567-2051

Elders:

Bryan Bumpas, John L. Bundy,
Bill Hawkins, Joel Hood

Deacons:

John Berry, Tommy Best, Garland Easter,
Ronald Fitzgerald, Bruce Hesteande, David Hobby,
Will Johnson, Dickie Smith, Mark Stretcher

Preacher: Aaron Lewis

Services:

Sunday: 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM
Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:00 AM
Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00 PM