



CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Elders:
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Deacons:
 Tommy Best, Garland Easter, Ronald Fitzgerald,
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 Dickie Smith, Mark Stretcher

Preacher: Aaron Lewis

Services:
 Sunday Morning Bible Study: 9:00 AM
 Sunday Worship: 10:00 AM
 Sunday Evening: 5:00 PM
 Wednesday Evening Bible Study: 7:00 PM

September 12, 2021

Looking Forward

I used to relish change. However, with each passing year, change becomes more difficult. For better or worse, the world is a different place than it was when I grew up. You can probably identify with that. There are times I long for the simplicity of earlier days. But my memory of the past, like so many other people, is probably idealized.

Consider this verse: "Do not say, 'Why is it that the former days were better than these?' For it is not from wisdom that you ask about this." (Eccl 7:10).

From God's perspective, the future is better than the past. Since the beginning, God has been moving us toward the culmination of His plan. God is transforming us, and in the process of transforming others through our work. In the end, He will destroy sin and death and everything that goes along with it. To those who overcome, He will grant to eat of the tree of life in the paradise of God (Rev 2:7).

Truly, the end is better than the beginning. The entire drama of redemption is always looking forward. From Abraham who looked forward to an eternal city, to Moses who looked forward to a new home, to us who look forward to the place our Lord is preparing, we are always looking forward to what God will do next. Even though the world gets old, wears out, and changes, God is making all things new.

Aaron

News & Notes

In Our Prayers:

♦ Tradyn Reynolds is home recuperating from surgery.

♦ Remember: Carolyn Calhoun, Lynna Hall, Betty Ogle, Whitney Mass, Keith Cranfill, Sheila Fuller, Aime Meador, Wayne Johnson.

Shut-Ins:

♦ Johnny McCord and Waneta Gilbert.

♦ Military. Remember our men and women serving in the military.

Continue to pray for: Austin Williamson, Reagan Garner, Justin Hodges, Tristan Peterson.

FYI:

♦ There are signup sheets in the foyer for Ladies Luncheon and Bunko.

♦ Pam Johnson will have the food list for September.

♦ Roxsan Trudgen will oversee the food list for October. There is a need for more help in this ministry. If you would like to help, please contact Anna Fitzgerald.

♦ There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for those that would like to sit with Jerry Dodson on Sunday nights.

Contribution		\$2714.00
Bible Class	9-5	50
Worship	9-5	91
Sunday 5:00	9-5	43
Wednesday	9-8	49

Fives for Honduras

♦ All five dollar bills in the collection plate go to the Honduras fund.

♦ Congratulations Terry and Susie Lewis on your recent marriage.

Happy Birthday

Braedon Meador 9-13

9/12 /2021

Worship Order-AM

Song Leader Bob Montgomery

578 We Will Glorify

Prayer Jerry Graybill

698 My Jesus, As Thou Wilt

718 We Shall Assemble

Lord's Supper Josh Hutton

539 Higher Ground

Lesson Aaron Lewis
 Philippians 4: 10-20

864 Where the Gates Swing
 Outward Never

Announcements Bill Hawkins
Elder of the Month

Prayer Bill Hawkins

PM

Song Leader Bob Montgomery

Opening Prayer Tommy Best

Lord's Supper Dickie Smith

Closing Prayer Bob Montgomery