

Jewels from Job - "Blessed be the name of the Lord"

"Surely even now my witness is in heaven,
And my evidence is on high."
- Job 16:19^{NKJV}

Serving Today

*Please let Allen know if you are unable to serve

Greeters: Chris and Tammy Smith
(Next Week: Mac & Willadean Milam)
Announcements and Opening Prayer:
Jerry Johnson

Song Leader: Jim Cunningham

Lead Communion: Randy Jackson

Assist: Allen Hedge
Brice Thompson
Rod Jackson

Scripture Reading: Chris Smith (Gal. 3:26-28)

Speaker: Aaron Baker

Closing Prayer: Tony Carter
(Sunday pm: Chris Smith)

Serving Wednesday

Announcements & Prayer: Jerry Johnson

Song Leader: Jim Cunningham

Devotional: Ben Jackson

Last Week's Attendance

Sunday AM: 54
Sunday PM: 31
Contribution: \$2153
Wednesday: 37

Our Meeting Times

SUNDAY

Bible Study - 9:00am
Morning Worship - 10:00am
(New Summer Quarter Worship Time)
Afternoon Worship - 1:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Dinner served at 6:00pm
Bible Study 7:00-8:00pm

Welcome Back, campers! We missed you!

The irate customer calling the newspaper office, loudly demanded to know where her Sunday edition was. "Madam", said the newspaper employee, "Today is Saturday. The Sunday paper is not delivered until tomorrow, on Sunday." There was quite a long pause on the other end of the phone, followed by a ray of recognition as she was heard to mutter, "Well, that explains why no one was at church either!"

For updates or additions to the announcements or prayer list, contact Cindy Baker ---

Welcome TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

@ FORISTELL

Loving the Lord with all our mind... (Mark 12:30)



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Missing the Victory

"Daily Bread" by: Brett Petrillo, Bear Valley Church of Christ

It was game six of the NBA finals between the San Antonio Spurs and the Miami Heat. The Heat were playing at home and the Spurs were leading the series 3-2, meaning one more win would crown them as the 2013 NBA champions. With 28 seconds left in the game, a Spurs player stole a pass and got fouled at the other end. After shooting the free throws the Spurs had a 5-point lead, typically enough to secure the win. This deficit was enough for thousands of fans to throw in the towel and try to beat the traffic.

Almost as soon as the fans stepped out of the arena, the Miami Heat sparked an amazing comeback. With only seconds to go, the Heat dropped an incredible 3-point shot to tie the game and send it to overtime. Meanwhile, the fans that left quickly caught wind of what was happening inside and tried to get back to their seats. These fans were met with a team of security guards and the hard and fast rule marked with big red letters, "No re-entry allowed."

The Heat went on to win the game 103-100 in overtime. Players, coaches, and broadcasters all shared the view that this was one of the greatest and most exciting games. As for the fans that decided to leave early, they missed this great victory.

In Matthew 25:1-13, Jesus told a parable with surprising parallels to this game. The parable is about ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of the virgins came prepared with enough oil and five did not. The virgins who did not have enough oil had to leave early to go buy

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Be sure to silence your phone during worship!

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more. While they were gone, the bridegroom came and let the prepared virgins in and closed the door. When the unprepared virgins came back they begged to get in but it was too late. The point of the parable was to warn people to be ready for Christ's return because in both of these situations, people missed out on the celebration because of poor choices. As Christians, we want to stand in victory with the Lord. Therefore, let's remember two lessons from these situations.

1. Always Be Prepared. We don't know what the future holds (even in silly basketball games). Depending on which comes first, Jesus or death, many people will be caught off guard (Matthew 25:13; 24:42, 44). We must always be prepared.

2. Never Leave Early. Don't leave the faith. Only those who are faithful until the end will receive the crown of victory (Revelation 2:10).

Let's not be among those who miss out on the victory because we left early or because we weren't prepared.

Our Foristell Family Welcomes
Kayla Crowell and Ben Leibner and his son,
Jace, who would all like to be identified
with this congregation.
Their information is as follows:
Kayla Crowell
Ben and Jace Leibner

On Our Daily Prayer List:

Larry Morrow (traveling for work), Tracy Ehlmann (health), Kay Shepard (health), Harold Fitzjerrell (Alzheimers), Carl Wright (Willadean's brother... health), Kim Vogelsang (health), Caleb Sams (cancer), Mary Beth Dietz (Cindy Baker's mom...health), Maria Smith (Tammy's sister-in-law...kidney transplant), Gavin Newhouse (4yrs old...MD)

*"Be devoted to
prayer..."
Romans 12:12*

* Pray for Cindy Baker's mom, **Mary Beth Dietz**. She will be admitted to the hospital on Monday to try and find out what is causing her problems. As of yet, her doctors have not been able to diagnose her. Please pray that there will be some conclusive results from the tests and that they will be treatable.

* For a long time now True Health Chiropractic has been collecting money to help a 13-year-old girl named Makenzie who is battling her fourth round of cancer. Brandon and Garrett just received word last week that her doctors found that the cancer has spread to her lungs and diaphragm and she has been given just a few months to live. Please pray for **Makenzie, for her parents & family** as they deal with the sorrow of this news.

Summer Quarter Afternoon Worship Time Change

We are conducting a trial run for changing our Sunday afternoon worship time. During the summer quarter (until the end of August) we will be meeting at 1:00pm for afternoon worship (instead of the usual 5:00pm worship time). *This is just a trial run* to see which worship time best fits the needs of the congregation. If you have further questions please see a member of the Worship & Evangelism committee: Gary Carter, Rod Jackson, Allen Hedge, Richard Carroz or Aaron Baker.

Take Note!

- * **Men's Prayer Devotional at Denny's in LSL. Friday mornings at 6:30am.**
- * **VBS - The dates are set for Sunday, July 28th - Wednesday, July 31st. The theme this year is "The Bible is God's Word". We have teachers lined up for the kid's classes, but there are still several openings for teachers for the adult class. Be sure to come out and support this year's VBS - there is always something you can do to help! Questions? See Jerry Johnson or Brandon Jackson.**
- * **The next area-wide youth gathering will be at De Soto church of Christ on August 4th at 6:00pm. Check the back bulletin board for more information.**
- * **The Sullivan church of Christ will be hosting a gospel meeting from August 11th-14th. The speaker will be Kendall Fox. Look for the flyer on the back bulletin board.**
- * **Anyone wishing to help offset the cost of supplies used in fellowship meals, we are taking donations of 18oz plastic cups. They can be put in the proper cabinet in the kitchen.**
- * **Congratulations to newlyweds, Sarah and Rick McGahan who were married yesterday afternoon here at the building! We wish you the best!**
- * **Non-perishable food donations for the Warrenton and Wright City school kids can put on the table in the fellowship room.**
- * **Turning Point Women and Children's Shelter is in need of Liquid Dishwashing Soap. Donations can be placed on the back table in the fellowship room.**
- * **St. Peters Church of Christ is hosting a Ladies Day on August 24. Registration and breakfast begin at 9:00am. Ladies, we are planning to attend this event. Sign up on the back bulletin board if you are able to go.**
- * **Mark your calendars! Aaron and Cindy are hosting an End of Summer BBQ at their house on Sunday, August 18th at 4:30pm. Everyone is invited!**