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PENTECOST

We have talked before about the fact that historically churches of Christ have not emphasized religious holidays. Although in our homes we might put up trees at Christmas or hunt for eggs on Easter, our congregations may or may not mention those days at all. It would stand to reason then that you might not realize the significance of this Sunday: it is the day of Pentecost.

The day of Pentecost that occurred in Acts 2 is one of the most significant days in the history of the church. In fact, Acts 2:38 is one of our favorite verses and the reason we say what we do when someone is baptized. As we are in the midst of our study about the church, I would like to point out five things from that chapter.

1. **The apostles are together (2:1).** Maybe they're just waiting for what comes next. Maybe it's an intended time of fellowship. Or maybe that is just how they do life. Whatever the reason, community is important to them.
2. **The Holy Spirit is there (2:2-4).** As we get into discussions about spiritual gifts today, we miss the importance of the work of the Spirit today. He gives comfort, assists us in prayer, and His fruit is shown in our lives just to name a few.
3. **God has a way of connecting people who will tell the story with people who need to hear it (2:5-14).** We need to remember that did not stop on that day, and that we are those people who can tell the story.
4. **The story of Jesus is powerful (2:14-41).** Even though we are not apostles speaking in languages we do not know, the story of Jesus we tell changes lives.
5. **The chapter begins and ends with being together (2:1, 2:42-47).** Father, Son and Spirit are together. The apostles are together. His church did life together. The church still functions best when we do life together.

May 23, 2021



Elders

Jeff Butler
Scott Estes
Greg Hatton
David Hendricks
Richard Howard
Brent Lowe
Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis
David Dirrim
Thorin Turner
Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Shari Todd will be having more tests done this week. Please keep her in your prayers.

David Lewis was diagnosed with a blood clot in his arm. Please keep him in your prayers.

Will Lampkin was involved in a vehicle pursuit last week and the suspect wrecked into his unit. Will is fine, but sore. Please keep Will in your prayers. Also, keep all law enforcement in your prayers as well as their families.

Ann Mayes' husband, David Mayes, is doing better. Ann would like to thank everyone for their prayers and asks that everyone continue to pray for him.

Dear Southwest family, Thank you so very much for all your prayers, cards, visits and the plant. We were on a long journey for a short time. Your prayers are what helped us to get through all of it. Love all of you, Jan, Trever, Trey and Machel

We welcome Odie and Crystal Heck and their children to our family here at Southwest. Odie and Crystal placed their membership last Sunday. We are glad to have you with us!

In order to accommodate our increasing numbers at worship services we will no longer be leaving open rows in the auditorium. If you wish to continue social distancing there should be more space available toward the front of the auditorium.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for ...

David Bryant, Patsy Hill, Verna Cannon, Jeannie Wingard, Sue Silkey, Debra Shaver, Shirley Love, Wendell & Sharon Sherrell, Gerald Joliff, Joe Medlock, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Alyene Sims, Mildred West, Joe Don Harrison, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Gatewood, Shirley Perry, Sherry Price, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Thayne Consequellos, Lewis & Lea Crain, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson, & Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart.

Happenings

If you would like to contribute to completing the construction of the new living facilities for our widows group in Haiti please designate those contributions for the **"Haiti Widows"** and we will apply them for that project.

Singing night is Wednesday, May 26th.

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 31st in observance of Memorial Day.

Meals On Wheels will be May 31st - June 4th.

Beginning June 6th we will return to our normal communion service passing trays as we did pre-Covid. If you would like to continue using the individual cups and wafers they will be available on a table in the foyer.

Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month at 4:00 pm in the old kitchen. The next time they will meet is on June 6th.

David Dirrim's Sunday morning class will be moving from the fellowship building back to the classroom in the southwest corner of the main building on June 13th.

Jeff Butler's Sunday morning Bible class will be re-starting in the old kitchen beginning July 4th. They will be studying Romans.



The Yellow House will hand out food to those who are in need on Monday, May 24th from 8 am - 10 am. Helpers this month are: Tommy & Becky Myers, Alan Eck, Glenn Ogle, Bill Young, & Mary Conley.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." - Matthew 25:35



May

02 Youth group devo/meal,
Ladies Prayer Group
06 College group devo/meal (Sr.)
09 Mother's Day,
Youth group devo/meal
16 Youth group devo/meal
Ladies Prayer Group
19 High school graduation
reception
23 Youth group meal/devo
24 Yellow House
26 Singing Night
26-28 Beginner Camp at
Pettijohn
30 Youth meal/devo
31 Memorial Day (Office Closed)
31-4 Meals On Wheels week



May 23rd - Meal & Devo

May 30th - Meal & Devo

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN

Josh Higginbottom, Frank Holsapple Jr.,
Clay Patterson, Michale Perry, &
Jonathan Wingard.

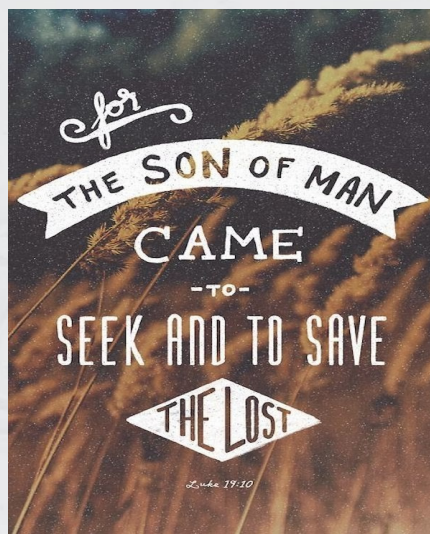
If you have a family member or know of
someone you would like to add to our
prayer list let the office know.



05/23 Ashlee Griffin,
Laura Long
05/24 Hazel Jamar
05/25 Caden Alexander,
Julie Kiker
05/26 Ryan Duncan,
Randi Estes
05/27 Betty Ballard,
Don Kite
05/29 Cathy Eaves,
Rhett Estes,
Travis Wingard



05/23 Trevin & Anna Vass
05/24 James & Glinda Byers
05/25 Terry & Lisa Fulton



Adult Classes

Butch Platt
Ephesians
Auditorium

David Dirrim
Fellowship Building

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College Group

Kyle Wilson
Old Kitchen

Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)

Thorin Turner
Youth Classroom

Kids (K-5th Grade)

Journey Land
History/Storytelling Classroom

Preschool (2 - 4 Year Olds)

3-4 Year Old Classroom

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

Baby Classroom

For the Record: 05/16/2021

Bible Study	180
AM Assembly	275
PM Assembly	147
Wednesday PM	154
Contributions	\$9,963
Budget	\$12,612

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Kyle Wilson
Opening Prayer: Greg Hatton
Closing Prayer: Ronnie Osborn
Scripture Reading: Trenton Hensley
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Jeff Butler
Attendance Counter: Hunter Nickell
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: James Bryant & Kevin Graham
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Russell Neill
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Cody Frye
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Joe Dirrim & Jake Williams

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: Caleb Estes
Opening Prayer: Raymond Johnson
Closing Prayer: Jack Cadenhead
Attendance Counter: Drew Graham
Communion: Dusty Dennis & Chuck Love

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Tyler Wilson
Announcements/Opening Prayer: Kyle Wilson
Auditorium Class: Singing
Closing Prayer: Chelton Andrews
Attendance Counting: Jag Frye
Safety Team Walk: Lane Garrett & Tommy Garrett
Safety Team Camera: Jared Griffin

For the Month of May:

Contribution Count: Tommy Vass, Wayne King, Caleb Estes, Jake Williams
Elder for May: David Hendricks

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Here I Am To Worship

Scripture: Romans 8:8-10

Prayer

Sanctuary

Ten Thousand Angels

Father God

Thoughts From the Cross: Jeff Butler

How Deep the Father's Love

Communion

Contribution

Unto Thee O Lord

A.M. Lesson: Belonging

Pierce My Ear

Announcements

Mighty To Save

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: How We Grow

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Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m.

Youth Group - College Group

K-5th Grades

Worship & Classes Online

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