#### **PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

SUNDAY MORNING
December 8, 2024

WELCOME:	Darren Dent	
SONG LEADER:	Jeff Jones	
OPENING PRAYER:	Seth Fisher	
LORD'S TABLE:	Rod Wilson	
Cayden Leon		
	Josh Whitley	
	Marty Leonard	
CLOSING PRAYER:	Ron McInturff	
GREETERS: Nick	& Stephanie Baker	

#### SUNDAY EVENING December 8, 2024

SONG LEADER:Rod WilsonOPENING PRAYER:Jeff JonesLORD'S TABLE:Austin FordCLOSING PRAYER:Darren Dent

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING December 11, 2024

SONG LEADER: S PRAYER: D DEVOTIONAL: Je

Seth Fisher David Woody Jeff Jones

\*Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

SUNDAY:			
BIBLE CLASS WORSHIP EVENING		9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	
*LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m.			
WEDNESDAY:			
BIBLE STUDY		7:00 p.m.	
1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:			
SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS		10:30 a.m.	
2nd & 4th TUESDAYS:			
	CLASS	10:30 a.m.	
2nd Thursday of each month:			
PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.			
	Jeff Jones 937-776-0732		
	Austin Ford 479-970-3988		
<u><i>Minister:</i></u> Glen Elliott	501-314-9999		
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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#### **Cultivating Friendship**

Friendship is one of our deepest needs. Yet, so many have no idea about how to fulfill that longing. Fortunately, the Bible has much to say about the matter. Solomon wrote, "A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity" (Prov. 17:17). Later, he adds, "There is a friend who sticks closer than a brother" (18:24). Such friendship is a beautiful and treasured possession.

A friend is one who loves at all times, even when our weaknesses become evident. An old proverb says, "He who seeks a friend without a fault remains without one." A friend does not easily give up but seeks to encourage and strengthen. "A friend loves at all times." In fact, "A brother is born for adversity" (17:17). If you cannot lean on a friend, who can you lean on?

How does a friend get to be someone who sticks closer than a brother? The answer lies in the realm of adversity. A friend does not give up on us, even when we have given up on ourselves. A friend remains loyal when loyalty is not popular. A friend believes and expects the best of his friend and their friendship.

How do we go about developing friendships? There are no short-cuts. Relationships require time and energy. In our madly-paced world, many are starving for friendship. Many of our "so-called" friendships are shallow and unfulfilling. The one who would have friends must show himself to be friendly (Prov. 18:24, KJV). No one would argue that a person can seriously seek friendship without seeking to be a friend. In a practical sense, this means that we must develop those qualities which will make us a good friend to others. Loyalty, dependability, a sense of caring and an ability to overlook another's weaknesses are a few of the essentials of friendship. It takes time to develop close friendships; but while we are waiting, we must seek to develop the qualities which will make a good friend.

-- Glen Elliott --

# **Prayer Requests**

\*Bob Gossett is home from the hospital.

\*Dorothy Yeager is healing at home from her fall.

\*Our sympathy is extended to Edith Seger in the passing of a family member, James.

\*Continue to keep Reba Warnock; Charlene Parish; Ginger Beene; Margaret Adams; Larry Ward; Mike Seger; Charlene Parish's friend, Lou; Donna Beck; Jim Bell's friend, Hugh; Ginger Beene's friend, Marilyn; Nora Smith; Luther Cummings; Jason Elliott; Robin Linn's nephew, Steven; Patricia Clements' niece, Terrie; Bobby Vaught; Dorothy Tatum; Patsy Story; Melba Sharp; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's dad, Jack Horton; and Terri Massa in your prayers.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**DECEMBER 10th** - Ladies Bible Class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center.

**DECEMBER 14th** - Men's Breakfast at 8am. Sign up on the bulletin board.

**DECEMBER 14th** - Pack the Holiday Boxes in the Outreach Center at 9am.

**DECEMBER 17th** - Senior Adult Ministry Class will meet at 10:30am in the Outreach Center. Jeff Jones will be the speaker. There will be no fellowship meal.





### I Forgot to Live

First, I was dying to finish high school and start college. And then, I was dying to finish college and start working. And then, I was dying to marry and have children. And then, I was dying for my children to grow old enough for school so I could return to work. And then, I was dying to retire. And now, I am dying...and suddenly realize, I forgot to live.

- Bulletin Digest



#### BIBLE QUIZ: Matthew 4:1-11

1. "Then \_\_\_\_ was led up by the \_\_\_\_ into the wilderness to be tempted by the \_\_\_."

2. Jesus fasted <u>days</u> and nights.

3. "Now when the \_\_\_ came to Him, he said, 'If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become \_\_\_."

4. "Jesus said to him, 'It is \_\_\_ again, 'You shall not \_\_\_ the Lord your God.""

5. "Away with you, \_\_! For it is written, 'You shall \_\_ the Lord your God, and Him only you shall \_\_."

Answers to last week's quiz: Galilee, Jordan; prevent, baptized; righteousness; water, dove; beloved, pleased