### January 19: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Randy Grossman Opening Prayer: David Barron Communion-lead: Carl Nulph Communion-serving: Jonah Lee, Dan Mitchell, Kendal Grossman Scripture: Randy Salsgiver Scripture Reading: Job 10:1-22 Sermon: Brandon Foresha Closing Prayer: Tom Sellers Remarks: Clem Rosenberger III Communion Prep: Pat Maul

#### January 26: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Jason Tennant Opening Prayer: Jonah Lee Communion-lead: Clem Rosenberger Communion-serving: Ryan Barron, David Barron, Frank Ridenour Scripture: Randy Grossman Scripture Reading: Job 11:1-20 Sermon: Brandon Foresha Closing Prayer: Scott Waltenbaugh Remarks: Brian Steffy Communion Prep: Pat Maul



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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Ladies' Bible Study: January 23. Lesson 3. Every other Thursday. 1:00pm at the building.
- Weekly Visiting: Wednesday at 1pm a group gathers at the building. See Ben, Dave or Brandon.
- Please sign up for Lads2Leaders lunch prep. Sign-Up sheet is on bulletin board.
- Lads 2 Leaders after services today. Art, scripture, know the books, and Bible Bowl.
- Wedding Celebration for Billy and Cathy on February 9 following afternoon services. Everyone is invited. Cake will be provided.
- If anyone would like to donate to the "Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort" to help those affected by the hurricanes and fires, please see Steve Maul.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES**

- Cathy McGaughey is having rotator cuff surgery in early February. Julie Lewis, a friend of Val, has been diagnosed with CLL and started chemo.
- Randy Salsgiver's niece, Heather Simmons, is in need of prayer for emergency surgery on her stomach.
- Be praying for those affected by the North Carolina and Florida hurricanes and also California fires.
- Steve's brother, Allen, keeps falling. Pray the drs will discover the reason.
- Linda Nulph is still in a lot of pain from the knee surgery. Pray that she will be comforted.
- Marshall Moore's dad decided not to have the surgery. The Dr said at dad's age it might only buy him 4 more months.Next step is a lung capacity test to see if dad can handle the more aggressive chemo.
- Bills cousin, David Roush, had surgery on an cyst. He is doing much better. He was able to get up and walk around the room and has a more energy. Please continue to pray for him.
- As always, pray for Brandon, the elders, deacons and Bible class teachers!

# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Class: 9:30 AM Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM Sunday Afternoon Service: 3:00 PM Wednesday Eve Bible Study: 7:00 PM

# FOREVER PRAISE

#### Let's begin our week by reading a psalm of praise.

#### Praise the Louds

I will give thanks to the Lord with all my heart, In the company of the upright and in the assembly. Great are the works of the Lord; They are studied by all who delight in them. Splendid and majestic is His work, And His righteousness endures forever. He has made His wonders to be remembered; The Lord is gracious and compassionate. He has given food to those who fear Him; He will remember His covenant forever. He has made known to His people the power of His works, In giving them the heritage of the nations. The works of His hands are truth and justice; All His precepts are sure. They are upheld forever and ever; They are performed in truth and uprightness. He has sent redemption to His people; He has ordained His covenant forever; Holy and awesome is His name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments; His praise endures forever. - Psalm 111

Psalm 111 is a psalm of praise that gives God honor for a variety of things. For example,
His many works and creative acts
His righteousness

•His mercy and justice towards His people

It is a psalm that expresses gratitude for the salvation God provides and the promises He has made to care and protect those who obey Him. These are wonderful reminders of some of the things that God has and continues to do. As you read the Psalm you can understand what the writer is saying and make sense of the different ideas. The last verse, however, makes you think a little harder about what the author is referring to. He says, "Praise Him forever" which suggests the praise that God receives goes on and on without end. Why is that?

In other words, why forever praise? 1. God's works and greatness are forever The writer says that God's righteousness, and His promises and His word will last forever and so too the praise that accompanies them. God's character and the greatness of the things He has done generates praise just like extreme heat generates fire or extreme cold generates freezing. Praise is the natural product and reaction to God's

wonderful being and work, and since His being and work last forever so does the praise that it generates.

2. Those who praise Him are themselves eternal

The ones who praise God are those who are the recipients of His promises and one of His promises is that His people will live forever.

Angels and Christian saints on earth and in heaven are eternal beings and so they are capable and willing to praise Him forever.

3. Eternal praise is the final reality

So many movies and books try to determine the future reality. Usually they are negative monsters or machines trying to take over the world. The Bible reveals a much more joyful "final reality": eternal praise.

We study about the resurrection and the fact that we will have "glorious" bodies: no death or decay; no immorality; power over time and space; knowledge and spiritual insight.

But what will these "glorious bodies" enable us to do? What are they for? The writer here suggests that they will be given to us so we can do what is impossible for us to do now: joyfully praise God forever!

This does not sound like a reward or heaven because we get tired just standing for two songs during a worship service but our glorious bodies will not only enable us to do this, it will also enable us to want to do it, enjoy doing it and do it in a perfect way.

There is no purer reality than the created praising the creator forever: there is no higher joy, insight, pleasure, expression or activity. The created praising the creator takes in everything that is right, good, worthy and edifying.

So the writer prophecies about the final reality in which the glorified saints will be empowered to do what they desire to do and that which gives them the ultimate pleasure: praising God forever.

In the meantime let's prepare for that glorious day by taking the time to praise and thank God every day of the week, not just on Sundays.

# **Discussion** Questions

1. Approximately how much time do you spend praising God each day excluding Sunday?

- 2. What personal, concrete benefits do you derive from praising God?
- 3. Give three reasons that you have for praising God today. Formulate a prayer of praise including these three.
- Mike Mazzalongo, <u>Choctaw Church of Christ</u>, Choctaw, OK

For the LORD has driven out great and mighty nations from before you; and as for you, no one has stood against you to this day. 10 One of your men puts to flight a thousand, for the Lord your God is He who fights for you, just as He It promised you. 11 So take great care for yourselves that you love the Lord your God.

— Joshua 23:9-11

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