

February 9: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Nolan Grossman
Opening Prayer: Ryan Barron
Communion-lead: Carl Nulph
Communion-serving: Scott Waltenbaugh, Jesse Delarosa, Kendal Grossman
Scripture: Chris Plummer
Scripture Reading: Job 13:1-28
Sermon: Brandon Foresha
Closing Prayer: Matt Fisher
Remarks: Steve Maul
Communion Prep: Laurie Barron

February 16: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Randy Grossman
Opening Prayer: Jonah Lee
Communion-lead: Ben Wright
Communion-serving: Justen Traxler, David Barron, Frank Ridenour
Scripture: Randy Salsgiver
Scripture Reading: Job 14:1-22
Sermon: Brandon Foresha
Closing Prayer: Ryan Barron
Remarks: Clem Rosenberger III
Communion Prep: Laurie Barron

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Ladies’ Bible Study:** February 20. Lesson 5. 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: Speech.
- **Monthly Men’s “Meating”:** March 1, 2025 @ 4pm. Ryan’s house. Van leaves church building at 3pm.
- **Wedding Celebration for Bill and Cathy:** February 16 following afternoon services. Everyone is invited. Cake will be provided.
- **Couples Valentines Dinner and Movie:** Saturday, February 15th at 5pm at the church building. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board.

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

- Jason & Heather are at Children's Hospital w/ Eddie. He is having seizure like episodes and was kept overnight. Please pray for them.
- Big Mike went into physical therapy rehab today for his new leg. He will be there at least a week.
- Steve Boitnott had a bicycle accident and hurt his back.
- Ray Umbaugh is recovering from surgery at home. Pray for his recovery.
- Cathleen Harr’s cousin has passed away.
- Matt has a pinched nerve in his elbow and will need surgery.
- Joy has continued tests. Pray that she is able to get a diagnosis for the issues she is having.
- Cindy Miller, Roman Arbuckle’s grandmother, has been suffering with serious back and hip pain.
- Stephanie’s grandfather, Dave, from Allegheny Valley CoC, is going into hospice tomorrow. Please pray for his comfort.
- Matt’s daughter, Cassidy was diagnosed with hashimotos disease which is an autoimmune thyroid disease. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Mary laird was in the hospital with breathing difficulties and swelling. She has to wear a Cardiac LifeVest for 90 days and has a new medication. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Merle Rupp is back in the hospital. Room is 323.



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(Behind the Dairy Queen)



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

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We are LIVE on YouTube!!! All of the sermon and bible study videos are organized into playlists for your convenience.

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All PowerPoints to go along with the videos are available on our website!

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- To listen **via phone**, call in at **1-408-418-9388**; at prompt **enter code 797 046 235**
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FRIENDSHIP STEW

In an article entitled, "Enjoying the Enduring Magic of Long-Term Friendship," Katherine Lowry lists several important ingredients found in friendships that are able to last for many years.

1. Going through hard times together

The people she surveyed had been through depressions, wars, illnesses, death of spouses and parents together. Hard times are the cement where true friendships are solidified.

Paul touches on some of the experiences that create friendship: Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

- Romans 12:10-15

Notice verse 10, devotion and praise offered to each other and verse 15, sharing the good and bad times. He also says: Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.

- Galatians 6:2

So we see that friendship finds its feet in swirling waters, and long-term friendships are forged in tribulation.

A second ingredient in this friendship stew:

2. Sharing food and hospitality together

Again, Paul says: contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.

- Romans 12:13

Ms. Lowry also found that friendships are not created in a vacuum.

People who had maintained long-term friendships worked at being together often around the dinner table in each other's homes. The sharing of food together often is a major ingredient in creating a lifetime bond of friendship. It is difficult to create friendship without this practice and note that when we disfellowship someone, it is the first thing that we do to sever ties. 1 Corinthians 5:11 says, "...not even to eat with such a one."

A third important ingredient is:

3. Forgiving each other

Paul teaches the following: Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

- Ephesians 4:32

No matter how great the relationship begins, there will always be a moment when you will fail your friend or your friend will disappoint or offend you. What destroys the friendship at this point is not the offense or the failure, but rather the inability or unwillingness to forgive each other. For friendships to last a lifetime, each person should be realistic and expect failures and disappointments in the relationship and be willing and ready to offer forgiveness. I have found that friendship grows stronger and deeper and more precious every time the cycle of forgiveness and reconciliation is experienced. My best friends are those I have forgiven or who have forgiven me, a couple of times!



I have found this especially to be so in my relationship with Jesus Christ. Jesus is a friend who not only stands by me in troubled times; constantly nourishes me through His Spirit and Word, but also draws me closer and closer to Him in loving friendship every time He forgives my many sins and is always present when I worship. I pray that you will find and nourish the kind of friendships we've talked about today and in so doing, have a blessed week.

Discussion Questions

1. Who is your best friend? Why?
2. Describe one thing this person has done or said which has cemented your friendship.
3. Think of a person you once had a friendship with but no longer do, and explain:
 - What broke the friendship?
 - What would be necessary to renew that friendship?

- Mike Mazzalongo, Choctaw Church of Christ, Choctaw, OK

“The Lord will guide you always;
He will satisfy your needs in a sun-
scorched land and will strengthen
your frame. You will be like a well-
watered garden, like a spring
whose waters never fail.”
— Isaiah 58:11



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

February 10 - Lori Hartman
February 10 - Hayden Plummer
February 10 - Truett Steffy
February 12 - Kari Krause
February 14 - Roberta Reefer
February 14 - Tim Hill
February 15 - Keira Stover
February 15 - Cathy McGaughey

Thank you for attending services with the church who meets in Kittanning! We invite you to study and worship with us again.

GOD'S PLAN

IS ALWAYS THE BEST.

SOMETIMES THE PROCESS
IS PAINFUL AND HARD.
BUT DON'T FORGET THAT
WHEN GOD IS SILENT,
HE'S DOING SOMETHING
FOR YOU.

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