

September 15: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Jason Tennant
Opening Prayer: Clem Rosenberger III
Communion-lead: Carl Nulph
Communion-serving: Dave Barron, Jonah Lee, Kendal Grossman
Scripture: Caleb Smith
Scripture Reading: Lamentations 3:37-48
Sermon: Keith Fussell
Closing Prayer: Rick Smith
Remarks: Ben Wright
Communion Prep: Susan Lee

September 22: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Clem Rosenberger III
Opening Prayer: Clyde Shaffer
Communion-lead: Dave Barron
Communion-serving: Scott Waltenbaugh, Jesse De La Rosa, Larry Rupp
Scripture: Justen Traxler
Scripture Reading: Lamentations 3:49-60
Sermon: Brandon Foresha
Closing Prayer: Tom Sellers
Remarks: Steve Maul
Communion Prep: Susan Lee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ladies' Bible Study:** September 26 - "Becoming a Woman God Can Use". Chapter 9. Every other Thursday. *We are changing the time to 1:00pm* at the building.
- Every Wednesday at 1pm:** a group gathers at the building for visiting. See Ben or Brandon.
- Sunday evening studies:** Sign up to teach a lesson. Sign up sheet on table in foyer.
- Clearances: Please look at the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer to see if they are up to date. Anyone teaching/helping with a children's Bible class or helping with VBS needs to have clearances.
- Fellowship Dinner:** TODAY! following morning services. Evening services will be after the dinner.
- RSVP for Ladies' Day: Deadline is September 29

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

- Please pray for Arthur Barry. His prostate cancer has metastasized to nearby lymph nodes, according to a PET scan.
- Jonah Spencer has Covid. Pray for his comfort and recovery.
- Kathryn Mitchell was diagnosed with SVT, supraventricular tachycardia. She will have a stress test and an echo to see if there's damage for having it so long undiagnosed. Candace has a heart monitor to see if she has the same thing. Prayers would be appreciated for us both.
- Cathy Sagi's foot has gotten worse and she has fallen because of it. She had an emergency CT scan done. Please pray for a good outcome on the CT.
- Nathan's friend, Bella, from Harding, has a bad case of Covid. She is having IV therapy.
- Ruthie's great-nephew, Blake, has been deployed to Baton Rouge for the hurricane
- Sandy Dowds will have eye surgery on October 11 to slow the effects of a macular hole.
- Mike Graff's leg had to be amputated due to a bacterial flesh-eating infection. He will eventually get a prosthetic. Please pray for Mike and Tammy!

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TO

Kittanning

Church of Christ

213 Blaney Road, Kittanning, PA 16201
(Behind the Dairy Queen)



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Class: 9:30 AM
Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Sunday Evening Service: 6:30 PM
Wednesday Eve Bible Study: 7:00 PM

September 15, 2024

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We are LIVE on YouTube!!!

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OTHER OPTIONS FOR ACCESSING SERVICES:

- Join us on **Facebook** at **Kittanning Church of Christ Group**
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GRATITUDE: the Way to Happiness

I believe that gratitude leads to happiness, and ingratitude leads to darkness, pride and ultimately separation from God.

Think on one virtue that, more than any other, leads to happiness and why is that?

As for me, I believe that gratitude leads to happiness, and ingratitude leads to darkness, pride and ultimately separation from God. Paul, the Apostle, makes this very point:

²¹For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. ²²Professing to be wise, they became fools, ²³and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and crawling creatures. - **Romans 1:21-23**

Ingratitude is the first sin, weakness, failing, lack of wisdom that leads to the rest. It is the tipping point, where you "trip" into the rest. It is as if gratitude propels you towards God and lack of gratitude drives you away! It is the thing, action or lever that you control, that makes you move in one direction or another.

Gratitude helps you deal properly with the good and bad in life. Paul also writes in Philippians:

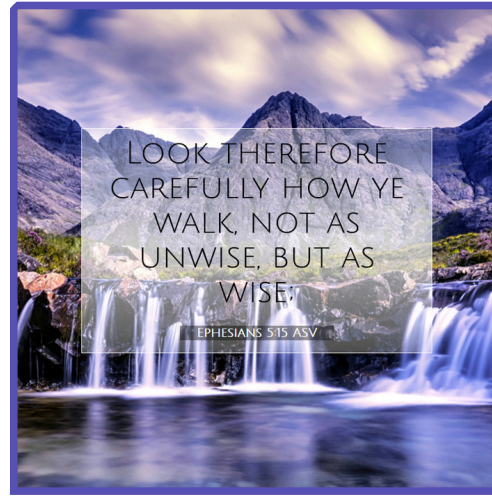
¹⁰But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned before, but you lacked opportunity. ¹¹Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. ¹²I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. ¹³I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. - **Philippians 4:10-13**

Paul was content (happy, satisfied) in prosperity and want. Why? He was grateful for what God provided in every circumstance. His happiness was based on his closeness and confidence in God (continually made possible by his gratitude), not how much he had or did not have. His happiness was not based on how well his life was going or how successful his ministry was (he was in prison when he wrote Philippians). His happiness was directly related to his personal relationship with God and that relationship was a close one because Paul continually gave thanks for everything in his life: great, small, hard, easy.

So, let us give thanks for this food, this day, this family, and everything else in our lives, so that through grateful hearts we may grow closer and closer to God who promises us eternal happiness and joy in Christ.

As Paul says in Ephesians:

¹⁵Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of your time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; ²⁰always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; - **Ephesians 5:15-20**



Discussion Questions

1. What one event, person or attitude leads you to personal unhappiness? Why?
2. How would the ideas in this lesson help you if applied?
3. Name three things, people or events in your life that bring you happiness today. Give thanks for these.

- Mike Mazzalongo, Choctaw Church Of Christ, Choctaw, Oklahoma



September 18 - Hannah Plummer
September 21 - Randy Lukehart



We've obeyed the precious word, Now brothers and sisters in the assembly. Joining our voices we sing the sweet song,

"God's Family"

The Lord said, "No greater love." "Than a friend who will die for us."

So now we sing the old hymn,

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

We practice a faith of action, Maintaining good works with one accord.

Singing while doing our duty,

"I Want to Be a Worker for the Lord"

We wage a constant battle, Because the devil wants our soul as a prize. But in the Lord we will have victory and thus sing,

"Soldiers of Christ Arise"

- Jay Launius - 2023 Maud church of Christ Maud, Texas

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“ He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. ”

— Psalm 40:2

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