February 18: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Jason Tennant

Opening Prayer: Clyde Shaffer

Communion-presiding: David Barron

Communion-serving: Jonah Lee,

Chris Plummer, Justin Traxler **Scripture:** Randy Salsgiver

Scripture Reading: Ecclesiastes 12:9-14

Sermon: Brandon Foresha
Closing Prayer: Steve Maul
Remarks: Clem Rosenberger III
Communion Prep: Jill Wright

February 25: Sunday Worship Leaders

Songs: Clem Rosenberger III **Opening Prayer:** Carl Nulph

Communion-presiding: Ryan Barron **Communion-serving:** Tom Sellers, Jr.,

Garret Elder, Frank Ridenour **Scripture:** Randy Grossman

Scripture Reading: Esther 1:1-9

Sermon: Brandon Foresha

Closing Prayer: Scott Waltenbaugh

Remarks: Brian Steffy

Communion Prep: Jill Wright

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ladies' Bible Study: February 22 on Prayer. Every other Thursday at 1:30 pm at the building.
- Every Wednesday at 1pm: a group gathers at the building for visiting. See Ben or Frank
- **February 25:** Fellowship dinner for the Lads 2 Leaders group.
- **Sunday afternoon studies:** Please sign up to teach a lesson from the new study book on table in foyer.

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

- Ben and Jill will be traveling until Wednesday night. Please pray for their safety.
- Eli, Lexi, and Bella's uncles, Butch and Tom are dealing with medical issues and procedures.
- Julie Delp is still waiting to have her surgery.
- Cathy Sagi's friend, Sandy, is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Keep Rodney Priester and John Harvey in prayer for cancer treatment.
- Brandon's 4-yr-old cousin, Elsie Smith, had her end-of-treatment scans and they looked good. She still has to get blood marrow tests to make sure there are no markers for cancer cells there. Please keep praying for this little girl.

WELCOME



213 Blaney Road, Kittanning, PA 16 (Behind the Dairy Queen)



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Class: 9:30 AM Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM Sunday Evening Service: 2:30 PM Wednesday Eve Bible Study: 7:00 PM

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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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Pray and Sleeping During the Lord's Supper

Failure to partake of the Lord's Supper properly can put you to sleep. Not literally, but still the Bible describes this truth in Paul's first letter to Corinth. The church in that pagan city had copied the pagan festival, and Paul described the results as one eating "his own supper" (11:20-21). He then gives detailed instructions about how Jesus said we should partake.

The results of this perversion of the sacred feast are described using some startling words. The failure to remember Him and examine self is detrimental to spiritual growth. Paul said, "For this reason many are



weak and sick among you, and many sleep" (v. 30). They were distancing themselves from God and were becoming weaker. Many of them were asleep—not literally but spiritually dead. Failure to observe the Supper properly had brought spiritual death.

This is not the only place the Scriptures use being asleep or being spiritually awake. Paul describes the condition of those who are lost and God's way for them to be saved. "Awake you who sleep, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light" (Eph. 5:14). Those living in the darkness of sin need to wake up, to see the light and enter into the blessings Christ has brought to them. Sleeping and dead men need to wake up and live.

When Paul wrote the church at Rome, he described how they had failed to love each other as Christ had loved them. How did he admonish them? "Do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed" (13:11).

When we are asleep each night, we are unaware of what might be happening in our houses. There could be thieves robbing us of our possessions, and we would awaken to find how they had taken our treasures. We can so easily have Satan, the prince of this world, plundering our lives and our homes, and we are unaware of it. This is the nature of sin. It is truly the killer.

Look at the urgency Paul gives to this matter. Instead of using the words "high time to awake," the ESV translates it this way. "The hour has come for you to awake." He then adds, "The night is far gone; the day is at hand."

Think soberly about this concept. Unless we are fully awake, we may not see what sin is doing to the church, to our homes and to each of us. The ravages of sin threaten our families, and we seemingly are oblivious to what it is doing. Our time on this earth is running out, and it is high time to come fully awake and to see what faith allows us to see and what is happening. Look soberly at your life and all that is happening. Are we sleeping while the "thief" plunders our lives?

- Dan Jenkins, Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

February 19 - Chloe Flick (Salsgiver)



Letters of Encouragement to:

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 21 - Brandon & Amber Foresha

Text or email announcements and prayer requests to: Stephanie 724-398-9329 steph@grafxloft.com

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

- Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)

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