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**“Serving others as we serve Jesus.”**



**Scott McFarland**  
Minister



**Keith Jones**  
Family Life Minister

**Sunday**

**Worship.....10:00 a.m.**

**Elders**

Jeff Bettinger  
Bob Burrow  
Keith Jones  
Duane Landefeld  
Brian Rose

Ronnie Beardmore  
Eric Carothers  
Dan Christman  
Ned Day  
Mark Henthorn  
Shawn Howell  
Butch Lallathin

**Deacons**

Brent McConnell  
Jeff Seidler  
Howard Spengler  
Andrew Stalder  
Jesse Stalder  
Dan Watkins

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Alexis Thomas, Angela Beardmore (upcoming tests), Kay West, Leah Feasel, John Ackerman (knee surgery), Norman Brooks (cousin of Delores Burrow), Norma Harmon (Christy Burrow's mother), Ethel Morris, Marcia Haren, Cindy Henthorn, Mitch Fetzer, Richard Shipp (Rick Shipp's father), Jerry & Marie Rose, Glenn Kuhn, Gary Alleman, Dan Watkins, J.C. Mercer, Jim Mercer.

Please pray for the family of Jean Bosley, she passed away Wednesday. The services for Jean are, visitation Monday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2-4 p.m. and 6 -8 p.m. and funeral service Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, at 1 p.m. at Bauer and Turner Funeral Home.

Please pray for those battling Covid-19, Jeff & Vicky Jones, Nolan Dunphy (Linda McConnell's grandson), and Dave Ogle (Steve Ogle's brother).

\* **Please update the office of any changes to those on the prayer list.** We update the prayer list periodically, removing names if we have not received recent updates on that person.

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE CHANGES**

Beginning Sunday morning, January 3, 2021 we will be removing the blue ribbons from the pews, song books will be placed back into the back of the pews and worship will resume as it has in the past, with the exception of Communion still being available as you come into the auditorium.

Bible classes will be starting again for the adults and children on Sunday morning, January 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and the bible classes will not be included in the live streaming.

**Thank You**

I want to thank everyone for their prayers. All of my tests came back normal. I appreciate your kindness.

Praise God, Angela Beardmore

**Birthday Cupcake Sign- Up**

There are still spots available to sign up for the monthly birthday cupcake party in Bible Hour. We appreciate everyone who has signed up in the past and participated. We also appreciate those of you, who have already signed up for this year. It is a blessing to the children every month, to be able to celebrate their birthday and learn God's word.

## Hope for a New Year

The book of Revelation has always confused Christians. It's full of cryptic messages, confusing numbers, and difficult to understand metaphors. There are a lot of theories about why it was written and the way to read the letter. Persecution had always been a reality for Christians, but it wasn't until the late first century that imperial persecution by the Roman Empire became an issue. John writes to a group of weary Christians in Asia Minor, encouraging them to persevere through this difficult period of persecution.

As John nears the end of the book, he begins to describe his vision of a new heaven and new earth. It's so wonderful that it's difficult to describe—John struggles to put it into words. What he does clearly know, however, is the loud voice echoing out of heaven: “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people...the former things have passed away.” (21:3-4) Then, the one who is seated on the throne (God) calls out: “Behold, I am making all things new.” (21:5)

God has always been about new beginnings and second chances. As far back as the garden, God already had a plan in mind for redeeming the world—even right after man had sinned. He hints at it in the midst of giving Adam and Even their punishments for disobeying in Genesis 3. These modern times are no different. 2021 is coming, and it's a new year. What will you of make it? What will you allow God to do in it? I know many of us are excited to have 2020 behind us. After all, hindsight is 2020. (Ok, bad joke...) But seriously, the fact is that without changes in our lives, 2021 may not look all that different than 2020. What will you choose to allow God to do this coming year? What could God do in 2021 that He couldn't in 2020 because you weren't willing? The choice is ours. Make 2021 better than the year before by allowing God to redeem what has been held onto and make whole what is broken. “Behold, I make all things new...”

-Scott McFarland

**December 27, 2020**

**OUR FAITH IN ACTION**

December 20, 2020

|   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Attendance at the building              | 95                               |
| Bible Hour Attendance                   | <b>*Cancelled due to weather</b> |
| Sunday morning Live feed views          | 71                               |
| Post-Sunday sermon online views         |                                  |
| Wednesday Devotional views              | 68                               |
| Post Wednesday devo online views        | 153                              |
| Budget                                  | \$5,827                          |
| Contribution                            | \$3,021                          |
| Tithe.ly app Contribution (12/05-12/11) | \$1,059                          |

**J.O.Y. Bus Attendance  
12/20/2020**

Cancelled due to weather.

**BIBLE HOUR  
PowerPoint Schedule**

**December 27**  
Merna Bettinger

**January 3**  
Merna Bettinger

**Who will you be like in 2021, and how will you do it?**

We should resolve that in 2021, we will be:

**Like Paul** - forget those things behind and press forward. (**Phil 3:13,14**)

**Like David** - lift up mine eyes to the hills from whence cometh my help. (**Psa 121:1**)

**Like Abraham** - trust implicitly in my God. (**Gen 22:8; Rom 4:3; Heb 11:17-19**)

**Like Enoch** - walk in daily fellowship with my heavenly Father. (**Gen 5:23-24**)

**Like Jehoshaphat** - prepare my heart to seek God. (**2 Chr 17:3; 18:6**)

**Like Moses** - chose rather to suffer than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season. (**Heb 11:25**).

**Like Daniel** - commune with my God at all times. (**Dan 6:10,11**)

**Like Job** - be patient under all circumstances. (**James 5:8-11**)

**Like Caleb & Joshua** - refuse to be discouraged because of superior numbers. (**Num 13:30; 14:6-9**)

**Like Joseph** - turn my back to all seductive advances. (**Gen 39:7-13**)

**Like Gideon** - advance even though my friends be few. (**Judges 6-8**)

**Like Aaron & Hur** - uphold the hands of my spiritual leaders. (**Exo 17:10-12**)

**Like Isaiah** - consecrate myself to do God's work. (**Isa 6:7-8**)

**Like Andrew** - strive to lead my brother into a closer walk with Christ. (**Joh 1:40-42**)

**Like John** - lean upon the bosom of the Master and imbibe his spirit. (**John 13:25;19:26**)

**Like Timothy** - study the word of God. (**2 Tim 2:15; 3:15**)

**Like Stephen** - manifest a forgiving spirit toward all who seek my hurt. (**Act 7:59-60**)

**Like the Heavenly Host** - proclaim the message of peace on earth and good will to all men. (**Luke 2:13-15**)

**Like my Lord Himself** - overcome all earthly allurements by refusing to succumb to their enticements. (**1 Pet 2:22; Mat 4; Luke 4; 1 Cor 10:13; Heb 2:18**)

**Realizing that I cannot hope to achieve those objectives by my own strength, I will rely upon Christ, for "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."** (**Phil 4:13**)

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