

*Those To Serve*

**Sunday, February 26, 2023**

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Bobby Smithee

Closing: Jim Bangs

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Jim Case

Closing: Ray England

Singing: Johnny Knabe

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023**

Singing: Randy Harris

Devotional: Johnny Knabe

*The Record:*

**Attendance:**

**Sunday, February 19, 2023**

AM 53 PM 37

[Average for the Year]

AM [49] PM [35]

**Wednesday, February 22, 2023**

38 [Average for the Year] [32]

**Contribution:**

**Sunday, February 19, 2023**

Actual \$ 2,074.00.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 18,406.00

[Average] \$ 2,300.75

[+/- Budget] \$ (426.00)

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ (1,594.00)

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*Thoughts from Bill:*

*In Loving Memory of Jim Philips*

A little over a week ago, on February 17, Jim Philips exchanged his physical body for one that will be like Christ's when He comes again (1 John 3:2). Our hearts were saddened for this loss, but we also know that Jim had a hope that only those in Christ have.

Jim Philips was a good person, and he was a friend and brother-in-Christ to God's family here at Southside. I remember getting to know Jim when I came to Southside. He had his own personality and sense of humor. Jim loved life, and he enjoyed being around his family, friends, and his brothers and sisters in Christ.

There were many times when I would be in my office that I would hear Jim knocking on my door. He would come in, and we would chat

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*Plan of Salvation*

*Hear*

Mark 12:29; Romans 10:17; Acts 2:22

*Believe*

Hebrews 11:6

*Repent*

Luke 13:3, 5; Acts 2:38

*Confession*

Matthew 10:32, 33

*Baptism*

Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21

*Sermons for February 26, 2023*

**A.M.—Living by Faith**

**P.M.—Things That Are Sure**

**Scripture: Hab. 2:4;**

**Rom. 10:14-17; Heb. 10:35-39**

*Schedule of Services*

**Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM**

**Sunday AM Worship: 10:00**

**Sunday PM Worship: 5:00**

**Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 PM**

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about a variety of things. He liked talking about the Bible. Sometimes, he would ask questions, and we would discuss the answers. Sometimes, he would need help with his phone or getting to something on the computer, and at other times he just wanted to visit. I enjoyed these times, and I have missed them.

Jim loved his family. Dalton and Julia took care of Jim for a number of years and provided him with a place to live and belong. I know Jim loved them very much. Chip was Jim's hockey buddy, and Jim always liked going with Chip to hockey games and other activities where they could hang out as brothers. Rita was Jim's go-to person when he had computer or phone problems that he couldn't figure out, and Jim would remark sometimes that "Rita will fix it."

Jim also loved his church family at Southside. He enjoyed taking part in the services, and I remember his prayers that he would lead. As Brother Dwayne said last Sunday morning, Jim wanted to do his best when he took part in the worship services.

Jim loved his country and served his country in the Army for about seven years. He continued to care for and honor this country as a citizen of it.

Most of all, I believe Jim loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I think he served the Lord the best he could, and he is now in the hands of a just and loving God who knew him better than anyone on earth did. It is Jim's willingness to obey the gospel and live the Christian life that gave him hope as he passed from this life to the next. Therefore, even though we sorrow, we sorrow with a hope that Jim is safe in Abraham's bosom (Lk. 16:23) and that his works follow him (Rev. 14:13). Thank God for His grace, mercy, forgiveness and His love.

### **A Great Challenge to Christians**

Our challenge in this life is to make a positive difference for the Lord while we are on earth. The Bible clearly teaches us that serving God is vitally important (Matthew 22:37-40). Our main purpose is not working, hunting, texting, or

hanging out with friends. Instead, our purpose is that of serving God faithfully. Faithfulness to God requires a strong resolve to put Him first in our lives. Becoming a Christian is not enough. This is only the beginning of a life which is to be lived for God daily. The Lord must be first in the hearts and lives of His followers. "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Matthew 6:33). The Macedonians had it right when "They first gave themselves to the Lord" (2 Corinthians 8:5). The Lord is satisfied only when He has "preeminence" in our heart and life. The Bible commands us to live a life worthy of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus (Revelation 1:5). Your love for the Lord will lead you to faithful Christian living.

*Charles Box via Bulletin Digest*

### *News and Notes*

**Those We Need to Remember in Prayer:** **Belinda Pectol**, Chris Ball's sister, had major open-heart surgery on Friday at Vanderbilt. **Jerry Sexton** has been in the ICU with pneumonia and low oxygen and blood levels.

**Others We Need to Remember in Prayer:** Robin Adkinson, Pam Bachman, Noel Baldrige, Dana Barber, Victoria Covington, Brenda Pollard Davidson, Fred Denison, Sr., Carol Farrar, Kenny Fitzhugh, Tim Gean, Ed Hager, Diana Hudson, Melvin and Jane Hudson, Joy Hutson, LaKrista Knabe, Laura Knabe, Carl Lawrence, Jane Massey, Lou Massey, Paula Millikin, Glenda Mitchell, Dalton Philips, Vicky Smith, Bobby Smithee, Patsy Thomas, Marilyn Wolford, Brenda Wren, and Jacob Wright

**Sympathy Extended:** There was a graveside service for Jim Philips yesterday at Egner Cemetery. Please continue to remember the Philips family in your prayers.

**Elders and Deacons Meeting:** There will be an Elders and Deacons Meeting next Sunday at 3:30 p.m. If you have anything that needs to be discussed with them, please let them know.

**Children's Home Shopping List:** **Cold Cereal**