

Those To Serve

Sunday, August 18, 2024

A.M. Prayers

Opening: Johnny Knabe

Closing: Jim Bangs

P.M. Prayers

Opening: Bobby Smithee

Closing: Randy Harris

Singing: Johnny Knabe

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

Singing: Bobby Smithee

Devotional: Randy Harris

The Record:

Attendance:

Sunday, August 11, 2024

AM 56 PM 40

[Average for the Year]

AM [56] PM [36]

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

37 *[Average for the Year]* [38]

Contribution:

Sunday, August 11, 2024

Actual \$ 2,193.00; Budget \$ 2,500.00

[Year-to-Date] \$ 77,440.00

[Average] \$ 2,420.00

[+/- Budget] \$ (307.00)

[YTD +/- Budget] \$ (2,560.00)

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Thoughts from Bill:

Are You Moldable Clay?

Jeremiah 18:1-4

The analogy of a potter and his clay is used several times in the Bible to speak of God’s relationship with His people. From the verses that contain this image we can understand a couple of important things: first, God is the potter; and second, we are the clay. We should strive to remain in a state where we can be molded by Him.

In Jeremiah 18:2, the Lord tells Jeremiah to go down to the potter’s house. Listen to Jeremiah 18:3-4: “Then I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was, making something at the wheel. And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so, he made it again into another vessel, as it seemed good to

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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 August 18, 2024

A.M.—The Alluring Age (2)

P.M.—Heavenly Vs. Worldly—

James 3:13-4:6

Scripture: Romans 1:20-25

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sunday AM Worship: 10:00

Sunday PM Worship: 5:00

Wed. Bible Study: 6:00 PM

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the potter to make.” Let us now consider a few things from this passage.

The potter has control over the clay and, in a sense, is the creator of the final product. God is the potter, and man as His creation should not think of himself as greater than his creator. Consider Isaiah 29:16 [ESV]: “You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, ‘He did not make me;’ or the thing formed say of him who formed it, ‘He has no understanding?’” Many throughout history, even God’s people, have forgotten that He made us and not we ourselves (Psa. 100:3). The people in Jeremiah's day had left the God who made them and worshiped the gods they had created with their own hands.

Now we concentrate on the clay found on the potter’s wheel. Jeremiah 18:4 reminds us that a vessel may be marred while on the wheel, but if it is still moldable, it can be changed. Consider the words of Isaiah 64:8: “But now, O Lord, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You, our potter; And all we are the work of Your hand.” Jeremiah writes in Jeremiah 18:6: “‘O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter?’ says the Lord. ‘Look, as the clay is in the potter’s hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel!’” God wanted Israel to remember that even though it was marred, He could change it if Israel remained moldable. The same is true with us today in our lives. We may become marred, scarred, and turned ugly in God’s sight because of sin, but if we remain teachable, changeable, and moldable, He can reshape us into a vessel of beauty and honor. The key is not to become hardened like Israel of old, but to stay in a state where we can be changed.

Are you still moldable on God’s potter’s wheel?

News and Notes

Those We Need to Remember in Prayer: **Bill Coles** will have blood work done on Tuesday. The results of the blood work will determine if he can have a treatment on Wednesday. **Paula Millikin** is currently on oxygen. **Shelia Smithee** saw a metabolic endocrinologist on August 16. **Chris Ball** will see a doctor at UAMS on Tuesday about his hip. He will have physical therapy and shots in his back.

Others We Need to Remember in Prayer: Bonita Bangs, Michelle Cupp, Carol Duncan, Nancy Duncan, Joann Foushee (Chris Ball’s mother), Ed Hager, Diana Hudson, Melvin Hudson, Thea Longstreet (cancer), Pat McGough, Eunice Mize, Pat Smith, and David White

Ladies Day: Our Ladies Day will be on September 14. Karan Summitt will be speaking to the ladies about “A Light-Filled Life.” There are invitations on the table in the back. Please take some to invite others.

Ladies Day Gift Basket: There is a gift basket for the Ladies Day speaker in the classroom next to the kitchen. Ladies, please bring something to put in the basket to show our appreciation for her.

School Supplies: If you are donating school supplies to the Children’s Home, please have your items here by this evening. If you give a check, please make it payable to the Children’s Home.

Children's Home Shopping List: Kidney Beans

Romanian Children: If you are helping with the support of the children of Romania, please give your donation to Tammy Harris.

Evangelism Seminar: Velvet Ridge Church of Christ is hosting an Evangelism Seminar on August 23-25. See the bulletin board for more details.