

MARCH 29, 2020

Today @ Central Church

9:45–10:45 am **Classes Canceled Until April 19, 2020**

10:15-10:45 am **Worship Team**

11:00 am–12:15 pm [Family Worship Online](#)

Prelude

Offering of Praise

What a Mighty God We Serve

Welcoming

Time of Prayer

Worship in Song

Just a Closer Walk With Thee #473
Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Worship in Giving/Prayer

People Need the Lord #352

Worship in the Word

Overcoming Despair Matthew 26:36-46

Worship in Commitment

Near the Cross #169

Closing Prayer

Postlude



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Prayer Requests

Spiritual Needs

Unspoken
Pray for our country!
Unsaved family/friends

Material Needs

Facility needs

Our Armed Forces

Landon Koonce
Brock Koonce
Nancy's granddaughter, Alex

Health Needs

Rod & Anne Rule
Margaret Starnes brother-in-law, Gary
June Nolen
Beverly Custer's sister, Phyllis
Shirley & Edwin Bowden
Allene Yearta
Kathy Yokley
Wynona Dodd
Donna Hobbs
Judy Farrow
Nancy Branham's daughter, Kenna
Nancy Branham's granddaughter, Alex
Those affected by COVID-19
Shirley Bowden's sister, Marilyn

Prayer Family of the Week

Jim Gilbreath, Dwight, Drake

For Prayer Chain requests please contact Pastor Alan at (816) 868-2080
or Nancy Branham at (816) 588-5418

Coming Events

Sunday Night Fellowship

March 29th 6:00-7:00 pm

A time for virtual fellowship! Check your email later today for a link to join this time of fellowship and prayer. You will have to provide your own snacks and drinks! If you don't receive the invitation by 4:00 PM, [send me an email](#) so I can add you to the list!

New Ministry Opportunity

Central will be opening a clothing pantry to help families in need beginning in June. If you are interested in helping, or if you have gently used clothing (or new socks/underwear) you'd like to donate, you can speak to Greg or Laura Griffie.

Easter is around the corner!

Who are you praying for this Easter season? April 12th will be here before you know it. Start praying now for those in your life who need to know Jesus. Then invite them to watch our live stream!

Sharing Communion

Prepare now for April 12th, Easter Sunday; each home will need to provide their own bread and grape juice if we can't meet at Central.

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Overcoming Despair

Matthew 26:35-46

During times of distress and tumult, which certainly describes our current conditions, the natural response can turn to despair. Fear, isolation, and even anger can be part of that natural response to despair. Christians, especially those who desire to be disciples of Jesus ought to have a different perspective. We don't serve a God who leaves us alone in and vulnerable. We serve a mighty God! If we pay attention to how Jesus responds during a time that could have led to despair, we can learn how we ought to respond!

Not Alone

Friends are essential...

Natural response is withdrawal:

- ◇ _____
- ◇ _____

Right response:

- ◇ Gather friends—

Prayer

Ask for help...

Natural response is helplessness:

- ◇ _____
- ◇ _____

Right response:

- ◇ _____
- ◇ _____

Rise

Be of good courage...

Natural response is fear:

- ◇ _____
- ◇ _____

Right response:

- ◇ _____

It is through faith that man finds the path of true life, but it is only hope that keeps him on that path.
JÜRGEN MOLTMANN

Conclusion

Don't lose hope...

Natural response—feel hopeless

Right response:

- ◇ Hope—_____

- Hebrews 13:5
- Romans 8:37
- Philippians 4:13
- Psalm 46:7
- Psalm 46:1
- Jeremiah 29:11

We, of all people on earth, ought to always have hope. We have not been abandoned; our God is mighty to save! Read the story of the fiery furnace in Daniel 3:8-30. Pay special attention to what the three young Hebrews told the king in Daniel 3:16-18. These three men refused to give up hope, a confident and optimistic expectation that God would deliver them. Their faith (hope) even went so far as to admit that God might not deliver them from the furnace, and yet they would still not bow to despair. So, let's follow the example set before us by Jesus; gather our friends, engage with them and with God, and rise!

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WE WILL WORK TO BECOME A FAMILY OF BELIEVERS IN THE GRANDVIEW AREA WHO LABOR TOGETHER TO LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS AND SHARE THE TRUTH OF SALVATION THROUGH KNOWING JESUS.

BIRTHDAYS
Edwin Bowden ~ April 1st
Melissa Weeks ~ April 3rd

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