

April

Apr 29 5th Sunday Fellowship; no 6:00 p.m. services

Apr 30 Seven @ Seven

May

May 01 Winfield Rest Haven Devotional

May 02 Teen Supper in the Basement

May 06 Teachers meeting at 7:00 p.m.

May 07 Seven @ Seven

May 14 Seven @ Seven

May 18 Teen Devotional at the Harris home; details to follow

May 20 End of the Year Teen Banquet; everyone is invited

May 21 Seven @ Seven

May 23 Bring cookies for Winfield Rest Haven

PREACHER SEARCH PROGRESS

We have begun to receive resumes and background information on potential new ministers in Wellington. Continue to pray for this selection process—so very important for our congregation. Pray for your Elders, the Nelson's and for those desiring to be our new preacher. We all need the patience and the wisdom that can only come from above.

—Rex Harris, For the Elders

SILVER MAPLE CAMP TEEN ESSAY CONTEST

Teens, Silver Maple Camp is doing an essay contest for a chance to win a scholarship to your 2018 summer session of your choice. Two essay writers will be selected.

To enter, please submit an essay and a photo of the author to info@silvermaplecamp.org, with a subject line of "SMC Essay Contest" before 5/1/2018, no late entries will be considered for scholarships.

Silver Maple camp reserves the right to utilize excerpts and photos from any submissions in promotional materials.

Eligibility:

1. The writer must be an eligible camper for a summer 2018 camp session.
2. The writer must be eligible for the session of choice.
 - 1st Session is for ages 8-12.
 - 2nd Session is for ages 13-18.
 - 3rd Session is for ages 8-18.
3. The entry must be submitted before 5/1/2018.

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

Part **two** of Matt Dabbs' conversation of his changing view on the Holy Spirit:

"Here were some key verses for me changing my mind on the Spirit.

"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus,² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death." – Rom 8:1-2

If the Spirit isn't working today I have no means to be set free from the law of sin and death. I am stuck. Someone might say the Bible is the law of the Spirit but notice it is the Spirit who is identified as the one who gives us life. Without the Spirit's work we are dead.

Then Paul writes,

⁴⁵ Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. ⁶ The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace." – Rom 8:5-6

I believe living in accordance with the Bible is to live in accordance with the Spirit but Paul didn't say it that way. He said those who live in accordance with the Spirit are connected with the very desires of the Spirit himself. I see no way that can occur without the activity of the Spirit, today, in some way. Then Paul writes that this mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. Paul is directly saying that our mind can be governed and must be governed by the Holy Spirit. Sounds like work to me...it sounds like the necessary work of the Spirit in the life of the believer that without we are in a mess. I want that and I saw no way to think I would be okay without the Spirit doing that with me today.

I will get to other passages outside Romans 8 in a moment but I want to stick with Paul's line of thinking for one more comment,

⁴⁹ You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

¹² Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

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PRAYER LIST

Avon Shields, Roger Darring, Noah Macias, Martha Howell, Harlan Bay, David Whitley, Richard Wartick, Tom McReynolds, Dalton Brownlee, Tim Evans, David Brundage, Matt Norris, Norma Gooch, Eliza Conwell, Larry Helton, Patsy Pierce, Allen Stone, Deedra Bostick, Crystal Anderson, Jack Edwards. *Shut-In's*: Bertha Brown, Dorothy Lauterbach, Gene Deffenbaugh, Maxine Cole, Georgia Spencer, Bennie Jefferies.

GOING AWAY RECEPTION

Mark your calendars...We will have a "going away reception" for the Nelsons on June 3rd from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. If you wish to participate in a "group" gift, you may give your money to either Jill, Jane or Jami. If you have any questions, see Bobbi Newberry.

ATTITUDE EQUALS OUTCOME

Attitude is everything. Our attitude determines our outcome. We are challenged by scriptures to serve with gladness. (It's funny to think of service and gladness in the same sentence, isn't it?) But here's the truth: If we serve with an attitude of joy, it changes everything. Our service doesn't feel like service anymore. It's a privilege!

—Selected

*Serve the Lord with gladness;
come before His presence with singing.*

Psalm 100:2

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¹⁴ For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God." – Romans 8:9-14

As Christians we live in the realm of the Spirit. That sounds difficult, impossible even, if the Spirit is distant and has no function in the world today. I certainly want to belong to Christ and in verse 9 Paul says directly we can't without the Spirit. Then notice verses 10-14 where Paul directly says the Spirit does specific actions: "The Spirit gives life..." , "The Spirit...will also give life to your mortal bodies..." , "those who are led by the Spirit." These are all necessary actions of the Spirit across all generations.

It sounded to me like without the Spirit's work in my life I was dead, not raised, and was in a heap of trouble but with the Spirit at work, today, these things were just as true in my life today as they were in the first century.

(to be continued . . .)

*One small positive thought in the morning
can change your whole day.*

Wasn't it smart of God to give us two hands...so we can lend one to our neighbor when needed? Have you loaned one out lately?



GOLIATH MUST FALL: ADDICTION

Scriptures: II Corinthians 12:9-10; Hebrews 4:15; I John 1:9; James 4:6; John 11:43-44; James 5:16; Psalm 23:5; John 16:33

THOSE WHO SERVE

SUNDAY, 10:30 AM
SCRIPTURE READING
PRAYER
COMMUNION

USHERS
CLIPBOARDS
DISMISSAL PRAYER

SUNDAY, 6:00 PM
PRAYER
COMMUNION
DISMISSAL PRAYER

WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM
LEAD SINGING
DISMISSAL PRAYER

ATTENDANCE

SUNDAY—April 22

BIBLE CLASS.....	60
A.M. WORSHIP.....	122
P.M. WORSHIP.....	49
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$2,139

WEDNESDAY—April 25

Fellowship Room—38 Teens— Bible Hour—4 **Total—42**

COMMUNION PREP

May Joe Church

April 29

Kevin Dodds
Marvin Kline
Nathan Bradbury, Ed Newberry
David Pierce, Brian Turney
Charles Garver, David Carroll
Tanner Dillon, Daniel Garver
Tom Norris

April 29

No
Evening
Services

May 2

Tom Norris
Mike Neal

COORDINATOR

May David Pierce

ELDERS

Rex Harris Marvin Kline
Ed Newberry Tom Norris

DEACONS

Kevin Dodds Aaron Hines
Leroy Lewis Mike Neal
David Pierce Alan Shields

MINISTER

Michael Nelson

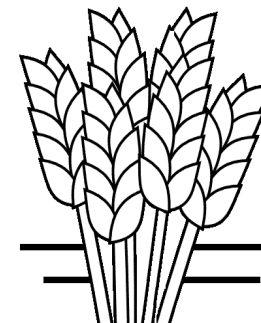
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Classes.....9:30 A.M.
Worship.....10:30 A.M.
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.
Children’s Class.....6:00 P.M.

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class....9:30 A.M.
Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.



*“Reaching Inward, Outward
Upward, Downward”*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 22, 2018

Call to Worship

Song “Here I Am To Worship”

Song #76 “How Great Thou Art”

Prayer

Scripture I Samuel 17:38-50

Song #344 “Low in the Grave He Lay”

Lord’s Supper

Song #533 “I Am a Sheep”

Song #749 “The Battle Belongs to the Lord”

Sermon

Song #71 “As the Deer”

Closing Prayer

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children’s Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.