



The Encourager

Church of Christ

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We Welcome Our Guest!

We are so glad you've come for worship today!

Our prayer is you will be blessed by your time with us.

Please feel free to ask us any questions you may have concerning our worship.

October 14th, 2018

Sunday Service's

Bible class 10:00 am

Worship 11:00 am

Afternoon 2:00 pm

Tuesday Ladies Class

11:00 am

Wednesday Service

7:00 pm

Personal Bible Study

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Online

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In Home

RSW Jail Ministry

Correspondence

2nd & 4th In House

Food Pantry

By Appointment

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He has shown
kindness
by giving you
rain
from heaven
and crops
in their
seasons...

Acts 14:17

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 Linda York
 Jenifer Swain
 Hazel Clark
 Gloria Van Arsdall,
 Brookside, new room #122A.
 Adam Selby
 Michael Michelucci
 Kim Wines
 Remi Wines
 Mary Steele
 Ella Sullivan
 Cathy Meadows
 Kelly Clark
 Rick Steele
 Bobby Jo Henderson
 Ray Stelzl
 Tim Gunter
 Kenny Henderson Jr.
 Ruth Brooks
 Jamie Shell
 Marty Jones
 Jamie James
 Scott McCool
 Jaden Turner
 Doris & Donald Jones
 Carol & Doug Ritenour
 Dolores Williams

Prayer Works



RSW Jail Ministry
 Our nation and lawmakers
 The Lord's church
 Military men and women
 First Responders
 Our missionaries

♦ **Our Homebound**

Audrey Herring
 John Woodall
 Nancy Barnes

♦ **Cancer Diagnosis**

Janet Jenkins
 Jerry Eubanks
 C.R. Newlin
 Priscilla L
 Philip Funk Jr.
 Jackie Barbe
 Frank Couto
 Ryan Denharat
 Sandy Holzhauser
 Vita Torres
 Jeff Pingley
 Wendy Willoughby
 Elaine Appleton
 Robert Jenkins
 Philip (Pop) Funk

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(A retold story loved for its many versions of Luke 15:11-32)

A minister was returning from a successful tent meeting in the mid-west. He was looking forward to a long, quiet and uneventful train ride home to Jacksonville, Florida. He took a seat beside a young man who was staring out the window. This went on hour after hour and mile after mile. When the minister did finally engage him in small talk, this is what he heard. "Mr. 'Minister', I want to admit I have not been the ideal son. I left home many years ago with all I thought I would ever need. Yes, I had all the answers, no one dared to tell me a thing. I never listened to anyone and that included my parents. It has been a long time and I have become very successful but I am lonely. I wrote my mother and father I would be on this train. Would they somehow leave a sign in the backyard that I would be welcome to visit them."

Well, you know what happened. The whole small town had turned out and mother and father were camped in the back of the house as close as could be to the tracks. The favorite apple tree near the house was decorated in all kinds of ribbons. You would have to be blind to miss the message, "Come on home!!"

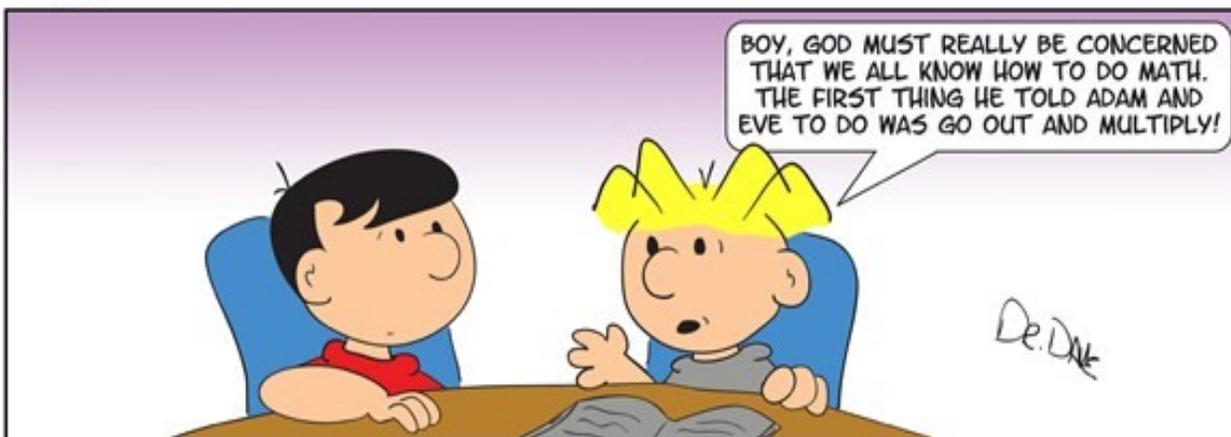
While I was in grade school, a hail storm wiped out the crops for that year. This caused my parents to seek public jobs; father became a knitter and mother took a job as a hosiery inspector. They were on the 2nd shift. For

almost two years I was coming home from school to an empty house. I did not like it at all! I could have stayed at my grandmother's home but that would have meant getting up earlier in the morning and walking an extra 1/2 mile to meet the school bus (total of one and a half miles). I soon became adept at staying by myself till my parents arrived near midnight. I never did get used to the idea of coming through the woods and around the curve of the road that I would not see the car or see someone out doing chores.

It seemed not too long ago I had some days to use or lose. My lovely wife suggested I drive to Kentucky and visit my parents. She would pack a suitcase and I should surprise them. My parents always expected us to visit in October this was April. Leaving after 4 o'clock in the morning I could usually arrive Kentucky time at 4 p.m. (losing an hour due to daylight savings time). From the small town of Auburn to the farm is about 5 miles. When I turned off the main road, and came through the woods and around the curve, that old familiar feeling came back "Would I see the car and would someone be out working!!" Sure enough my dad was working on equipment at the farm shed, he was happy to see me. Together we walked across the farm lot to the house to surprise mother in the kitchen. I will never forget her smile. They are gone now but the memory of that day eases the loss

P.K. PREACHER'S KIDS

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Serving Today

Mike McCool
Mark Derflinger
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Eddie Benfit

Song Service

Peter Diaz
Wilson Diaz

Scripture Reading

Art Candenquist



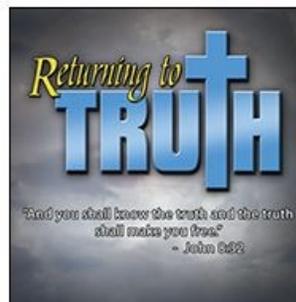
Happening This Month!

THIS MONTH'S birthdays

Susan Clark 10/6
Gloria Van Arsdall
10/8
Brooke Callaway
10/19
Tenia Smith 10/23
Marian Lozier 10/31

THIS MONTH'S anniversaries

Danny & Sharon
Derflinger 10/27



Will be shown at
2:00 service.
Discussion will
follow after each
video.

Please donate coats and jackets to the Homeless Vets! **All sizes.** Men and Women's.

Collecting now for **all of October.**

Please put them **in trash bags**, easier for Bill to transport.

Our Pantry needs:

Instant Potatoes and Ramen Noodles.

Don't forget the LCC list on the board for special needs students.

I am a
Child
of God
John 1:12

Waynesboro, church of Christ Ladies

Day, **October 20th. Time: 10:00**

More information on Bulletin Board.

November dates to remember:

1. November 18th. Ladies and Men's meetings at 1:00 p.m.
2. Also, the congregational Thanksgiving meal. A sign-up list of what is needed to compliment the turkey and ham will be on the bulleting board November 1st.

K thru 5th grade clothing collection, please see Tabitha Anderson. One more Sunday's for collection.

Bible Quiz:

1. What was the effect on Israel of Solomon's judgement on the dispute between the two women? 1 Kings 3:28
2. The book of Acts is in the New Testament division of ? (a) prophecy, (b) history, (c) letters or (d) gospels
3. To whom did Jesus first appear after His resurrection? What did Jesus tell Mary Magdalene to do? John 20:14; Mark 16:9
4. Why did God send fire to consume Nadab and Abihu? Later that same day, why were Eleazar, Ithamar, and Aaron excused even though they did not follow perfectly the sin offering? Leviticus 10:1, 16-20
5. On the day of Atonement what was to be done with the portions of the bull and goat that were not used in the burnt offering? Leviticus 16:27
6. How did Aaron choose which of the two goats was for the Lord and which for the scapegoat? Leviticus 16:8
7. Name the three sons of Levi. What were the jobs of the Gershonites? Kohathites? And Merarites? Numbers 3
8. When the Israelites traveled, who carried the things that were in the Tabernacle? What would happen to the Kohathites if they looked at the holy things? Numbers 4:15, 20
9. When did the Israelites leave Mount Sinai? Yes or no, did they have any special order of traveling? Numbers 10:11-28
10. Why did Moses encourage Hobab the Midianite to travel with the Israelites? Numbers 10:31

According to the Dictionary:

1. Wilderness of Paran—between Mount Sinai and Canaan
2. A Cushite—was an Ethiopian
3. Leprosy—was an infectious disease; the skin was white with oozing sores. Though healed, a person was not legally clean until declared so by the priest. A person with this disease was unclean and not allowed to live with other people.

Bible Questions:

1. What complaint did the Israelites make about their food, the manna? Numbers 11:4-6
2. How was the manna prepared for eating? Numbers 11:7-8
3. How did God help Moses when he was burdened with the responsibility of the Israelites? Numbers 11:16-17
4. How long did God give the Israelites quail to eat? Why was God angry with the way the Israelites gathered the quail? Numbers 11:20-23
5. Yes or no, was Moses jealous that God's spirit had rested on other Israelite leaders? Describe Moses' character. Numbers 11:29; 12:3
6. Why did Miriam and Aaron talk against Moses? How did God punish Miriam? Why did He not punish Aaron? Numbers 12:1, 10-11
7. How long was the Israelite nation held up, while Miriam was confined outside the camp for her sin? Numbers 12:15

Application: on complaining—Numbers 11:1

Bible Quiz:

1. The reign of Solomon, is described as a time of (a) war or (b) peace? 1 Kings 4:24
2. What had the Jews wanted Jesus to do on earth, according to the two disciples traveling to Emmaus? Luke 24:21
3. What did the resurrected Jesus do to prove to his disciples that he was not a ghost? Luke 24:41-43
4. How often were the Israelites to observe the Day of Atonement? When? How? Why? Leviticus 16:29-34
5. What tribe would lead the Israelites when they traveled? Who was last? Numbers 2:9, 31
6. The Lord took the Levites in the place of whom? Why did God say all firstborn are mine? Numbers 3:11-13
7. How did Moses decide how those who were ceremonially unclean should celebrate the Passover? Numbers 9:1-5, 8
8. By what signal from God did the Israelites set out traveling and then camp? What went before the Israelites when they traveled? Numbers 9:17-23; 10:33
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Additional Scriptures:

1. God's strength enables us.—Philippians 4:13
2. The prayer of a righteous person—James 5:16

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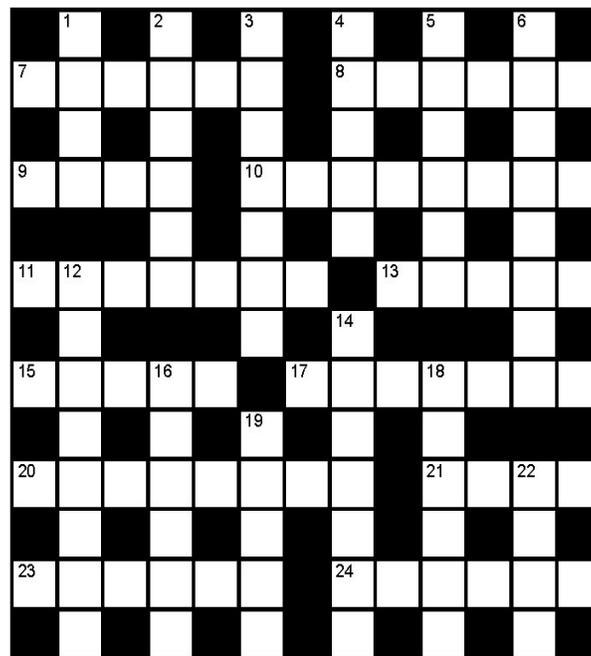
1. The northernmost travels of the ten spies took them beyond Dan (Laish).
2. Amalekite—were descendants of Esau and were nomads wandering between the Negeb and the Sinai Peninsula.

Questions:

1. What were God's instructions concerning the selection of men to explore Canaan? How many men? Numbers 13:1-15
2. What fruit did the 12 men bring back from Canaan? Numbers 13:23
3. How long were the 12 men gone from the camp exploring Canaan? Numbers 12:25
4. Describe the negative comments made by the ten spies. Describe the positive comments made by Joshua and Caleb. With which group did the Israelite people side? Numbers 13:26-14:10
5. When God determined to destroy the Israelite people, what was Moses' plea? What was God's reply? Numbers 14:13-35
6. Moses did not describe God as (a) leaving the guilty unpunished, (b) slow to anger, (c) abounding in love, or (d) forgiving sin and rebellion. Numbers 14:18
7. What happened to the Israelites who went up into Canaan with God's presence? Numbers 14:41-45

Application: on trusting God—Numbers 14:11

Numbers



Across

- 7 “Thou shalt even take five shekels _____ by the poll.” Num 3:47 (6)
- 8 One of the sons of Levi. Num 3:17 (6)
- 9 “And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at _____, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.” Num 13:30 (4)
- 10 “And a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and wafers of unleavened bread _____ with oil, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings.” Num 6:15 (8)
- 11 Reuben was _____ eldest son. Num 1:20 (7)
- 13 “And they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month, and they declared _____ pedigrees after _____ families.” Num 1:18 (5)
- 15 “And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain was _____.” Num 25:15 (5)
- 17 This word describes how the people of Israel mourned after they were told that they would not see the Promised Land. Num 14:39 (7)
- 20 “The rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed _____, and yielded almonds.” Num 17:8 (8)

- 21 One of the five kings of Midian who were slain. Num 31:8 (4)
- 23 “... Every trespass offering of their’s which they shall _____ unto me, shall be most holy for thee and for thy sons.” Num 18:9 (6)
- 24 A man has committed murder if he has killed another with this. Num 35:21 (6)

Down

- 1 “And _____ the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue.” Num 4:7 (4)
- 2 “We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, and we have laid them waste even unto Nophah, which reacheth unto _____.” Num 21:30 (6)
- 3 Ammiel is the son of this man. Num 13:12 (7)
- 4 “And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from Arnon

unto Jabbok, even unto the children of _____.” Num 21:24 (5)

5 This was cut down at the brook of Eshcol. Num 13:23 (6)

6 A type of offering. Num 15:3 (8)

12 The portion of the offering that is given to the priest and his family for food. Num 18:18 (8)

14 Balaam’s foot was _____ against the wall. Num 22:25 (7)

16 “But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, _____ this manna, before our eyes.” Num 11:6 (6)

18 “And the name of _____ wife was Jochebed,” who was the mother of Aaron, Moses and Miriam. Num 26:59 (6)

19 The sons of Gershon were responsible for the tabernacle and tent, including the “hangings of the _____.” Num 3:26 (5)

22 “Because all the firstborn are mine; for on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, _____ man and beast: mine shall they be: I am the LORD.” Num 3:13 (4)

Paul Before Agrippa

By not heeding

Almost But Lost

Acts 26:1-32

October 14, 2018

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WHAT'S REALLY SCARY

As the cool autumn breezes bring in a new season, many people will kick off fall by scaring themselves silly. Zombies, vampires, and horror movies will be the focal point for October, saturating American culture from the local discount store to satellite television, and all points in between.

Why some people enjoy being scared of things that do not exist is beyond me. Daniel Kelly, a philosophy professor at Purdue University, once said that Halloween is the time when people can have their “fear and disgust buttons pushed without actually being in danger.”

Isn't it strange that people seek out and dwell upon evil things to tantalize their emotions with fear of non-existent things like zombies and werewolves, but seem to have no actual fear of things that really exist, such as the coming day of judgment and eternal punishment in hell?

The apostle Paul reveals that Jesus will return “in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thess. 1:8). The Lord Jesus says, in fact, that separation from God for all eternity in hell will be so horrifying that, “If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched, where ‘Their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched’” (Mark 9:43-44).

Halloween is enjoyed by many today for the “safe scares” it supposedly provides. But have you considered the horror of eternal life without Jesus? If you reject Him, you will live in eternal horror, with no relief or safety to be found. Now that's scary.

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Matt Clifton, Judsonia church of Christ,