

SHUT-INS

Madeline Clark
Phoebe Dycus
Ed Goolsby
Mary Judd
Phil and Faye Kernell
Lois Key,
Vicki Weisner
Roy Woodard
Shirley Tayse
Jimmy Gentry

NURSING HOME: 2:00 PM

Singing: *
Prayer:
Serve:
Preach: Next Service TBA!
**Bring the Lord's Supper*

OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH

Sun. Morning Tim
Sun. Night Tim
Wednesday: Jack H.

RECORDS FOR JULY 5

Sun. Bible Study N/A
Sun. Morning ~25
Sun. Evening N/A
Wed. Study N/A

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WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Read up to the first 20 Proverbs.

MISSION WORKS

India: preachers (50), orphans (11),
orphans' homes (9), widows' homes (8), -
(www.indiamissionwork.org)
Thaddus Duncan, Jamaica
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Garrett Young – Jason Halcomb
Jakes Small – Josh Smith
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Omaha, Neb. Mission: Jonny Royal & Houston
McClure
World Video Bible School -(school.wvbs.org)
Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies
House to House/Heart to Heart: Jonathan
Smith - (qb2000_37150@yahoo.com)
The Palace (nursing home)
Macon County Prison
Local Radio: 102.1 FM @ 12:15
Gospel Broadcasting Network
(NCTC-37, TwinLakes-16)

THE WORD FROM WILLETTE

WILLETTE CHURCH OF CHRIST

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort..." (II Timothy 4:2)

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AUGUST WORKERS

Care for communion trays:
Care for baptismal clothes:
Cut out teacher material:
Lock church buildings:
Change church sign:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Welcome, visitors! Please give us time to greet you and get to know you better!
- Are you keeping your children engaged in Bible Study? Are you keeping their body and mind active?
- Is there a visitor today? Greet them appropriately! Visitor cards are on the table out front and on back tract rack.
- *Benevolence needs:* We can still take food, but you must hold onto your other benevolent contributions, we are full at the BB!
- Visitation **team 1** is on call for cards this week. Stamps are provided.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Entrance Greeters (Sunday is for next week)

Wed Eve. N/A
Sun. Mor. Deacons and ministers
Announcements

Sunday AM: Elders
Sunday PM: N/A
Wed: N/A

Lord's Supper and Offering: Presiding

TBA

Lord's Supper and Offering: Serving

Morning: Deacons
Evening: N/A

Song Leaders

Sunday: Hatton Allen
Wed: N/A

Scripture Reading

Morning: Jim Coley, Terry Jones (Romans 14:17)

Prayers

Morning: an elder
Morning and Evening: N/A
Wed: Tim & Hatton online

Prison Ministry

Men's (1:00): N/A
Women's (2:00): N/A

CONTACTS

Church Building: 699-2251
Preacher's Office: 699-3768

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class 9:00
Worship AM 10:00
Worship PM 6:00
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00

ELDERS

Alvin Allen 699-3315
Hugh Clark 699-2393
Hugh W. Clark 699-3199
Steve Draper (931) 678-4616
Terry Jones 699-3081
Joe Lynn 699-3613
Benny Tuck 477-5000

DEACONS

Randy Allen Jeff Hackett
Don Birdwell Donald Moss
Nick Jones
Brandon Clark
Harold Clark Phillip Stafford
Donnie Gammons Mark West
Joseph Draper Jonathon Royal

PREACHER

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ASSOCIATE PREACHERS

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A WARM WELCOME FOR ALL

Welcome to the Willette church of Christ, where you will find the Bible as our only rule for faith and practice. We seek to speak where the Bible speaks and to be silent where the Bible is silent. We want to call Bible things by Bible names and do Bible things in Bible ways.

Tidings from Timothy

Aside from the virus stuff, the thing it seems occupying people's minds is the fabric of society and increasing violence. What should a Christian's reaction to violence be? How does a Christian behave with respect to self-defense, defense of neighbor, or military service? Many questions have for centuries plagued the church but are actually pretty well spelled out in Scripture when it comes to "The Christian and Violence."

Please tune into the live stream tonight as we look at Jesus walking on the water. He performed some of His most memorable miracles while at the water!

We are a Bible centered, mission minded, and family oriented church. Thank you for coming, and please return at every opportunity.

The Hatton Half: Exegesis of 1 Corinthians 7:1-2
Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman (1 Cor. 7:1).

Upon first look at this verse, one may think that Paul was contradicting God, but we must look to other passages and find the harmony. One can find such in verse 26 of the same chapter. Given the distress at the time, it would be better for someone not to get married. It would certainly seem that being celibate is not bad. Paul was single all his life. Celibacy under the then existing conditions of the Christian world is, he admits, in itself an honourable and morally salutary thing, though, for the majority, marriage may be a positive duty. He is not dreaming of the *nominal* marriages of mediaeval ascetics, for he assumes and directs that all who marry should live in conjugal union (Spence).

Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband (1 Cor. 7:2).

It was not necessarily a bad thing to get married at this time. Paul will be dealing with a short-term problem with lasting principles (Mosher Notes). We are not dealing with a man who is opposed to marriage. No man can forbid the practice of marriage. The Catholics have some very wrong views when it comes to marriage. They believe the lifestyle of celibacy is the way to live. One may refer to Paul's first epistle to Timothy to refute Catholicism (1 Tim. 4:1-4). Unfortunately for them, God said otherwise. God performed the first marriage in the garden of Eden (Gen. 2). The relationship with one's wife is the highest, second only to the relationship one has with Christ.

The greatest grief one can suffer is that of losing a mate (Mosher Notes). Unfortunately, brethren will shut widows out of everything within the church. Something that some do not realize is that the Bible explicitly tells all to take care of the fatherless and the widows (Jam. 1:27). Consider the unit of marriage. Jesus said to let no man put asunder what God joined together (Mat. 19:6). Before a mate passes away, individuals will look at the couple and perceive them as a unit. When one of the spouses passes away, that unit is lost. It seems as if the spouse loses identity.

One may ask if it would be wrong for someone to get married under those conditions. Observe a factor that would play into the decision. Instead of having one person to take into account, you now have someone else to consider. Depending on what one would want to do, the decision could be easy for either side of the argument. However, contrary to the Catholic way of thinking, celibacy is not the way God intended. The Jews would consider someone who was not married a murderer (Mosher Notes). The reason for this practice is that no children were being born.

Those attending: Thank you for coming today. If you would like, there are some extra masks available, and hand sanitizer is in many places. Those who would like to are encouraged to help us sanitize between the services.

Wednesday night: Jack Honeycutt is out next Summer Series speaker. Considering how much of a stranger he is, we will make sure to give him a big introduction before he speaks 😊.

Tonight: We are going back to miracles of Jesus by looking at what He did when He walked on the water. Jesus did some of his most exciting things when near the water!

Building Update: The column covers (4 left) were defective from the factory and so we must wait on some correct ones. Baseboard is now down in hall and classrooms. Touch-up work on the paint must be done and the heating and cooling units put in. Other than a good cleaning, that is it.

Important notice on Benevolence: The Benevolent Building is full. This means we want you to give but you will have to hang on to it for a while because what with us not being open, we are just full. We can still accept food donations.

What makes the church of Christ different?

"What makes the church of Christ different?" Consider the plea of the churches of Christ. Peter wrote, "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God" (1 Peter 4:11). Our desire and plea is for men to return to God's word!

"Let's go back to the Bible! Let's do Bible things in Bible ways! Let's call Bible things by Bible names! Let's worship and live according to the pattern! If it's authorized in God's Word, let's do it! If it isn't, let's refuse it!"

Our plea is for the restoration of New Testament Christianity. We see religious unity which can only be realized by returning to "the old paths."

Religious unity is possible. God planned it (Ephesians 4:4-5). Jesus prayed for it (John 17:20,21). Paul pleaded for it (1 Corinthians 1:10). However, all of us being one in Christ is impossible until we return to God's Word. We must all plant the same seed (Luke 8:11), speak the same thing (1 Corinthians 1:10) and follow the same standard (Philippians 3:16).

The Bible is inspired of God (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). We are to live by it (Matthew 4:4). We will be judged by it (John 12:48). It alone should guide our lives!

"Let's go back to the Bible!" I ask you, "Isn't that a wonderful plea?" Ask yourself, "Am I really following the Bible?" Why this emphasis? Because we want to please God! Why this plea? Because we care about you!

Let us now consider the government of the church. The churches of Christ have no ecclesiastical form of government. In the first century, each congregation was self-governing. There was no system of government larger than the local congregation.

The churches of Christ have no conventions or councils. No group of men have the authority to "legislate" for the church. The church is not a democracy. It is a monarchy. Christ is King!

The churches of Christ have no human head. Jesus Christ is the head of the church (Ephesians 1:22, 23). He is to have the preeminence (Colossians 1:18). He has all authority (Matthew 28:18).

In the Bible, God's simple plan of organization is given. Each congregation is to have bishops (elders) and deacons (Philippians 1:1). The qualifications of these leaders are given in 1 Timothy 3:1-13 and Titus 1:5-9. They do not enact laws. Rather, they guide the congregation in obeying Christ's law as dictated in the New Testament.

When men assume authority, it is an insult to Christ on the throne. The existence of councils and conventions is an indication that men are guiding themselves. If we are "just following the Bible," why do they exist? Isn't the Bible a safe, adequate guide?

If we are following God's word and only God's word, why would we need to have a convention to determine what we are going to preach and practice? Hasn't that already been decided? The very existence of councils, conventions and synods tells us something. Think about it! --Dwight Fuqua

WILLETTE CALENDAR	RESPONSES	ANNUAL RECORDS
Prison Ministry (look for announcements , 1:00, 2:00) Nursing Home (TBD , 2pm) Benevolence Building (look for announcements) If someone needs food, let us know.	Restorations: Baptism &/or New Member:	Confessed Faults: 18 Baptisms: 9 Membership: 6