

# Tuskawilla Church of Christ

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## Bulletin Board August 4th, 2019

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Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

**Welcome to our Visitors.** You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation. We hope to see you again soon.

### Serving Today

Song Leader: Jimmy Wilson

Opening Prayer: Ken Lathrop

Scripture Reading: Austin Bruce

Communion:

- Lead: Roger Weaver
- Assisting: Ben Blaylock
- Side: Kenny Wilkerson
- Side: Virgil Cook

Closing Prayer: Angelo Cusimano

Usher: Roger Weaver

Communion Prep-: August- Wilkerson

### Today's Service

**Song - 239**

**Song - 260**

**Opening Prayer**

**Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3: 15-21**

**Song - 119**

**Communion**

**Song - 518**

**Sermon: Pray For One Another (Like Paul)**

**Song - 347**

**Announcements**

**Closing Prayer**

### Prayer Requests

- Suzy Wilkerson
- Elva Shade
- Donna Brown
- Iwana Smith
- Yvonne Parker
- Jack and Brenda Hood, Robin Cusimano's Parents
- Jennifer Rogan, The Cook's Daughter
- John and Joan Lup
- Robin Burwell, the Lester's Daughter
- Keith Lathrop, Ken's brother

### Event Calendar

**Aug 12<sup>th</sup>- Ladies Bible Class-7pm**

### Upcoming Birthdays

**Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>- Ben Blaylock**

**Aug 6<sup>th</sup>- Jimmy Tater**

**Aug 29<sup>th</sup>- Sara Robey**

### Announcements

Michael Parker Jr.'s is recovering from Achilles Tendon surgery and Yvonne is recovering from shoulder surgery. Both are doing well.

Robynne Genton, David West's sister, is in Houston, TX for treatment of a brain tumor.

Keith Lathrop, Ken's Brother, passed away on Friday. Our condolences to Ken and the Family. Please sign the card for Ken located on the table in the foyer.

Jennifer Toohey's Daughter, Macall Reynolds, and her husband are expecting a new baby. Tests are being performed to see if the Baby has any potential health issues. Please keep the Baby and parents in your prayers.

Jim Asbury has been experiencing atrial flutter recently and will be undergoing some tests on his heart. Please keep Jim in your prayers.

### Today's Bible Quiz

**The story of Samuel indicates that, as between obedience and burnt offerings, the Lord**

- a) preferred obedience
- b) preferred burnt offerings
- c) had no preference between the two
- d) did not commit Himself

# Not What I Will

**“And He said, ‘Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will’” (Mark 14:36).**

WHEN WE PRAY FOR GOD’S WILL TO BE DONE RATHER THAN OUR OWN, WE SHOULD DO THAT WITH A POSITIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD HIS WISDOM AND LOVE. “God is perfect love and perfect wisdom,” wrote William Temple. “We do not pray in order to change his will, but to bring our own wills into harmony with his.” Because the benevolence of God is perfect, subordinating our will to His is more a privilege than a duty. Rather than come to God with a demanding spirit, we should pray with a buoyant trust, grateful that we can simply put ourselves in His hands. It can be a delight to let Him decide what is best.

Too often we see prayer as the unpleasant, and usually unsuccessful, begging of God to do some specific thing that we want done. But as Richard Trench once wrote, “Prayer is not overcoming God’s reluctance; it is laying hold of his highest willingness.” We are taught to come to God confidently with our requests, and prayer that doesn’t do that is not really honest prayer. But when we pray, it is helpful to pray with what might be called a “listening” attitude. As we make our supplications to God, we are to be open to the possibility that He may have a better plan, a higher purpose. If we pray as we ought, seeking to lay hold of God’s “highest willingness,” we will come away refreshed, confident that we’ve spoken honestly with Him about our requests, but confident also that if He knows a better path for us to follow, then we’ve made some progress in discerning what that path might be.

Praying for God’s will to be done can be an agonizing experience, without question. It was so for our Lord in Gethsemane. And yet an agonizing experience is not necessarily a negative one. To let God choose which path we are to follow is, at least for us, to grow in our spirits. It is to be made more wise. “To pray is to expose the shores of the mind to the

incoming tide of God” (Ralph Washington Sockman). Thus when we pray, we must seek more than some particular blessing from God; we must seek Him and whatever His will may be. True prayer is not simply about what we want; it’s about learning to want what we *should* want.

“Let not that happen which I wish, but that which is right” (Menander).

Gary Henry – WordPoints.com

## Today’s Bible Quiz Answer

a) preferred obedience

1 Sam 15:17-23

17 Samuel said, "Although you were once small in your own eyes, did you not become the head of the tribes of Israel? The LORD anointed you king over Israel. 18 And he sent you on a mission, saying, 'Go and completely destroy those wicked people, the Amalekites; make war on them until you have wiped them out.' 19 Why did you not obey the LORD? Why did you pounce on the plunder and do evil in the eyes of the LORD?"

20 "But I did obey the LORD," Saul said. "I went on the mission the LORD assigned me. I completely destroyed the Amalekites and brought back Agag their king. 21 The soldiers took sheep and cattle from the plunder, the best of what was devoted to God, in order to sacrifice them to the LORD your God at Gilgal."

22 But Samuel replied:

"Does the LORD delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the LORD? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams. 23 For rebellion is like the sin of divination, and arrogance like the evil of idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, he has rejected you as king. 1 Sam 15:24-26

24 Then Saul said to Samuel, "I have sinned. I violated the LORD's command and your instructions. I was afraid of the people and so I gave in to them. 25 Now I beg you, forgive my sin and come back with me, so that I may worship the LORD."

26 But Samuel said to him, "I will not go back with you. You have rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD has rejected you as king over Israel!" NIV