

August Anniversaries

Adam & Angie Sack, 4th
 Jay & Doe Watkins, 16th
 Doug & Renee Hinson, 18th
 Kurt & Connie Shirey, 18th
 Robert & Donna Britton, 23rd
 Gary & Brenda Stapp, 25th
 Ray & Verlie Grimmatt, 30th (66 Years)

Elders' Corner

Fall Bible Classes

Bible classes are life-changing! Do you think this is an overly dramatic statement?

Here are some things Bible classes can do for you.

- Help you to develop a faith that will enable you to cope in today's society
 - Show you how to interact with others in a world filled with sin
 - Encourage you to develop a Christ-like character so you can be a great example to the community
 - Strengthen your knowledge of fundamentals of the faith so you can be more confident in spreading God's Word
 - Help you understand how to live a life that pleases God
- This is just scratching the surface. If you want to impact your life in a monumental way, then regularly attend Bible class.

Beginning in September, Adult, JH and HS classes will be studying Hebrews on Sunday mornings. Wednesday classes will include a study of the Life of Christ in the auditorium, along with men's and women's separate classes.

Michael, Eddy, Pat



August 2020						
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- 8/30 5th Sunday Contribution
 8/31-4 Sep Meals for Homebound
 9/1 Ladies Bible Class @ 9:30a
 9/3 Ladies Video Bible Study @ 7:30p
 9/3 Men's Conf Call @ 9:00p
 9/6 New Quarterly Classes
 9/6 Spur
 9/7 Labor Day
 9/8 Ladies Bible Class @ 9:30a
 9/10-12 Fall Ladies Retreat
 9/10 Men's Conf Call @ 9:00p
 9/20 L2L Practice
 9/20 Reveal

BOOK OF THE MONTH FOR

September

is

Luke

FAMILY PRAYER NAME:



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Tecumseh, OK

August 30, 2020

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- Gary Stapp

A thought that often crosses my mind in reading fiction is, "Who is the inspiration behind these characters?" What inspired J.K Rowling to write about the fanciful world of *Harry Potter*? Was there a particular person that she was thinking about as she wrote about Harry? In some novels, we know exactly who inspired the characters like those in *The Little House on the Prairie* series (autobiographical fiction). How would you feel if you found out that a book's character was based on your life? How would that character act? Would you be a hero or a villain? Would you be the trusty sidekick or the pesky adversary?

In the most remarkable book of all time, we see many sidekicks and adversaries. Paul names three men, Hymenaeus, Alexander, and Philetus, who are adversaries of the faith when writing to Timothy (1 Tim 1:19-20; 2 Tim 2:17-18; 4:14). In his third epistle, the apostle John names Diotrephes as an individual who loves the place of authority and speaks wickedness against John (3 John 9-10). What about the trusty sidekicks? You can generally look at the end of Paul's letters and see a great list of sidekicks (Romans, 1 Corinthians, etc.) In Philippians, Paul explicitly mentions Timothy and Epaphroditus as men who live out their faith. These were men who displayed great humility in seeking after the interest of others. These were men who had the same mindset as Christ (Phil 2:5). Can you imagine Paul using *your* name as one who is faithful?!

Even though we missed the time we could have had our name in the Bible, we now look forward to our name being in a better book, the Lamb's book of life (Phil 4:3; Rev 21:27). Here is the interesting thing though, this book does not have the names of the adversaries. The only names in this book have placed their trust in Jesus and have lived their lives faithfully. Do you remember the time that you desperately wanted your name to be on a list? Maybe it was a list of the varsity squad or getting accepted into a program of some sort. Your eyes scan down to the area of your last name, looking and looking. Surely you know exactly what I'm talking about. Imagine Jesus saying, "I can't find your name." Imagine Him inviting you to look over the book with Him. We are either in that book, or we are not. Who are you today? Are you Jesus' sidekick, or are you His adversary?

Austin



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Attendance Last Week:

Bible Class: 113

Daily Bible Readers: 32

Sun Worship: 188

Sun PM: 989

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening 5:00 pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30 pm

—STAYING—
CONNECTED

All services (Sunday & Wednesday) have resumed in the building. Please pick up your **communion sets** as you come in the door on Sunday mornings. A **collection plate** is also available at the back of the auditorium. If you are in the “high risk” category or prefer to social distance, please take advantage of our live-streamed services on YouTube.

Men’s Conference Calls are every Thursday from 9-9:30p. The number for the call is (605) 313-5096. The code will be texted.

Ladies Video Bible Study on Zoom is on Thursday nights at 7:30p. Please contact Erin Wolke so she can send you the meeting ID and password.

Giving may be mailed to PO Box 129 or given online thru link at top right of www.hcoct.com. Or, go to the App Store or Google Play and search for “GivePlus Church”.

Online directory is located at <https://servantkeeper.com/directory/hcoct/login> (call office or reply to email for password).

If you need anything or have prayer requests, please call or text the elders at elders@hcoct.com. If you have announcements for our bulletin, please call the office (598-3514) or your BK leaders. Stay safe and please check up on each other.

TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Privileged to Serve the Church Assembly

Preacher:.....*Austin McCrickard*

Song Leader:.....*Michael Kelsey*

Opening Prayer Leader:.....*Aaron Sack*

Closing Prayer Leader:.....*Stacy Kinsey*

Greeters:.....*Gary Perry, Torrey Hatler, Terry Banta, Kyle Stapp, Louie Hatler*

Announcements:.....*Eddy Parker*

Serving at the Lord’s Table:.....*Brett Byrum*

Scripture Reader:.....*Easton Flowers*

Sound Booth:.....*Jim Willis & Chris Fly*

Men, if you are scheduled to be on the table, please be here by 10:15; otherwise, I will have to find a replacement. Thank you! Stacy



Health (Members): Lucille Ernst; Glen Woodard; Robert (radiation) & Donna Britton; Wilma Hickman; Wilma Hixson; Kay Jones; Kurt Shirey; Jim Hayes; James Moudy; Ione Arnold; Angie Sack; Janice Carr; Don & Judy Rousey; Terry & Dee Banta; Twila Carr; Tami Lawson.

Health (Others): Wendy Smith Mullen’s (Louie Hatler’s friend’s) granddaughter’s baby, Hope, and daughter-in-law, Abagaill Mullen; Carla Dame (Wilma Hixson’s niece); Connie Hogan (Darrell & Dottie’s daughter); Tommy & Leona Walker; Nolan Perry (Gary’s cousin); Selene Williams (Bob McKnight’s granddaughter) breast cancer; Bob & Mary (Dick & Peg Walton’s daughter & family); Jack (Flossie Jorgenson’s brother) ALS; Mandy Dodd (Lora Sprowls’ daughter); Pat Gee (Angie Sack’s dad) cancer; Jim Arnold’s sister, cancer; Debbie (Burlison) Sehon (Gina Fredman’s aunt) ALS; Sue Wright; Verlie’s sister-in-law; Venita Hoover (Smith family friend); Bill Blochowiak (Billy’s dad); Tom (Jerry Griffin’s friend) cancer; Don & Sandra Stafford (Jimmie Young’s family); Debbie Seaton (Claudia’s friend); Kent Taylor (Kristy Swafford’s brother); Byron Holt’s SIL; Hugo Ortiz (Betty Limas’ uncle); Charles Elmore (Mica’s Dad); Mark Miener (Verlie’s friend); Jim Perry (Verlie’s friend); Xavier & Ray Grimmatt Jr.

Our shut-ins: Retha Barnes; Mary Littleton; Connie Mack Stubbs; Rosie Brightwell; James & Sheila Moudy; Audrey Savory; Mildred Boone; Ellen Childers, Rosie Brightwell.

Sympathy: Extended to Rosie Brightwell in the loss of her daughter, Becky, last Sunday.

Other Prayers: Youth, teachers and administrators as they return to school; Covid-19 cure; ladies at Mabel Bassett, our military and country, especially our homegrown heroes: Emilee Grochow, Ryan Willis, Austin and Andrew Sack, Joshua & Caleb Kelsey, Haden Burlison and Caleb Dahle.

Please let us know if names should be added or removed:

Announcements



Fall Virtual Ladies Retreat - A Study in James

Sep 10-12 in the Fellowship Hall
for ladies 6th grade and up

Thursday 5-9p (bring shareable snacks)

Friday 5-8p (bring shareable snacks)

Saturday 5-8:30p (bring dish for potluck dinner)

We’ll have a time of study and fellowship with snacks on Thursday/Friday and a potluck dinner on Saturday. Activities are broken up each evening, so come for all, or come and go as you can. Please sign up on the list in the foyer or let Tamra Bess know you plan to attend so we will have enough study materials for all in attendance.

Spur and Reveal will start again in September. Spur (Sep 6th) provides the opportunity

for young men to offer devotionals and any adult may provide dinner before the devotional time. Reveal (Sep 20th) is a family devotional time where families are encouraged to teach, share their home and feed the youth. (One or two families may go together.) If you would like to host but need someone to offer the devotion, let Phil know. Signup sheets for devotions and meals are available in the hallway.



We can make our online contributions 2 ways now

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Available in app stores

or a link is on HCOCT.com



Please check the kitchen for your unclaimed dishes.