

The church of Christ at Luverne

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Spring Forward

Daylight Savings Time Begins March 13
Set clocks forward 1 hour before going to bed on
Saturday night.

Assembly Assignments for March 2011

The Lord's Supper

Steven Frost / John Frost / Joshua McCartha / Zach Wilson

Announcements

Dale Sanders

Building Duties

Larry Wyrosdick

Greeters

Bobby Owens
Charles Compton

Nursing Home Duties

Russ Kilcrease
Jace Sanders

Lord's Supper Preparation

Paulette West

Scripture Reading

Mike McDougald

Privileged to Serve on March 13, 2011

Morning Prayer

Dale Sanders (opening)
Robb Sanders (closing)

Evening Prayer

John Frost (opening)
Steven Frost (closing)

Song Leader

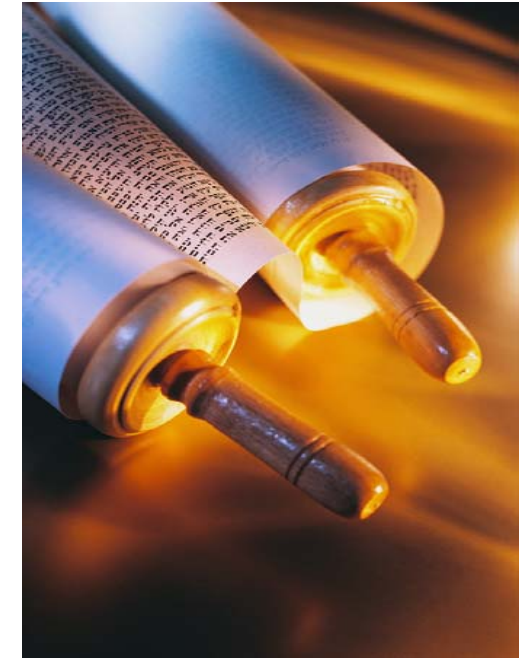
Ross Sanders

A/V Equipment

Russ Kilcrease

If you are unable to serve, please contact John Frost - 429-0948
All announcements need to be written and turned in before each assembly!

The Messenger



**Minister
Keith Dixon**

Services

Every Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 AM
Morning Worship 10:30 AM
Evening Worship 5:00 PM

Every Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 PM

From

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WHOSE TIME IS IT?



There are 168 hours in a week. How much time do we spend in doing certain things? It was very interesting. If a person comes to every service of the church, then the amount of time spent in doing this is only 2% of our week. Can you image that out of 168 hours only 2% is spent in service for the Lord! If one adds in travel time, the most any one would spend is 4% of there time each week in service to the Lord!

Now the average person spends 10% of their time each week watching television. During this time the average person is doing nothing else besides watching television. That is wasted time. This person is accomplishing nothing else.

There is no production of any kind toward anything useful being done.

If a person spends one hour each week in Bible study on their own, this is only .5% of their time. Yes, this is different than the above time stated involving one's worship. But if one would be all inclusive that is only 4.5% of their time each week involved with spiritual things.

A person ought to consider whose time is it? Is it really our time, or is it time that we have been allotted to use while we are upon this earth. We will have to give an account for how we have used this time on the Judgment Day. What will you say to God?

If we lived in an ideal world, we would all be able to spend large amounts of time studying God's Word. The Scriptures state, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15). While we might not be able to do that, we can spend some of that 10% of time we are watching television and use it to study God's Word. How much better off would we be if we did. We would be in a better situation to resist the devil. If we did indeed spend time in studying God's Word, we would not have any fear of being destroyed. Listen to what God said to His Old Testament people because they did not know His Word, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children" (Hosea 4:6). We would be so much better off if we spent more of our time with God than with the world because friendship with the world is enmity with God (James 4:4). How are we spending the time that God has so richly granted to us? Please consider how you are spending that time.

We are to be faithful stewards of all that God has placed into our hands. "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful" (1 Corinthians 4:2). Time is one of those things that God has placed into our hands. How are we using God's precious moments? This question needs to be considered as we prepare ourselves for eternity. Eternity is going to be a lot longer than any time we have here on earth. Are we ready for eternity? Maybe we need to reconsider our preparatory time and spend it more wisely. Remember that the time changes Sunday!

Love, Keith



In Our Prayers

- Mike Bagents – improved
- Shanna Bethea - chemo
- Larry Brady – lupus
- Ruby Bush – strength in her battle with cancer
- Curtis Cates – leukemia
- Glenn Daniel- physical therapy
- Bessie Frazier – health problems
- Georgia Frazier – health problems
- Leonard Green – throat cancer (Patricia Wyrosdick's uncle)
- Ken Helms – health problems
- Linda Joiner - health problems
- Cecil Kelley – health problems
- Lucy Kilpatrick – health problems
- Maggie Marshall – back to Cincinnati this past week to possibly remove adenoids
- Barbara Jean Mitchell – recovering from successful valve replacement on 2-8
- Lela Moseley – at home recovering from surgery
- Judd Flint – health problems
- Sarah Parker – throat cancer
- Danny Rolling – back problems
- Lyndsay Turner – much improved; continues recovery
- Jeffrey Welch - recovering from quadruple by-pass surgery on 2-14
- Bradley Mason Williams – new-born with a serious heart condition

In Luverne Nursing Facility:

Allene Mount Edwina Rolling

- *Pray for all those who have lost loved ones*

- *Pray for soldiers overseas.*

Jason Cartwright – Afghanastan

Keva Potts - Afghanastan

Chance Styron – Parris Island

- *Pray for missionaries, for leaders, for our congregation, and for our efforts to carry out God's will.*

The **March WIRED Area Wide Devotional** is scheduled for this Sunday, **March 13**, at 4:00 p.m. at the **Christian Home church of Christ**.

Cedar Grove church of Christ invites you for a seminar **March 13 -16** for lessons featuring **Evangelistic Sermons and Open Bible Studies by Carl S. Sims**.

Sunday: 9:30, 10:30, and 5:00

Monday – Wednesday: 7 p.m.

PANAMA MISSIONS "Friends of Panama" Dinner

Saturday, April 9, 2011

Fellowship Hall ~ University church of Christ

\$15 Per Person ~ Reservations Required

SOUR MILK

The story is told of a youth watching his grandmother bake a cake. He watched her closely and noticed one of the main ingredients was soured milk. "Yuk," he thought, "that cake must taste awful!" When supper was completed and desert served, the boy was surprised that this was the best cake he had ever eaten. Even though the boy did not fully understand what had taken place he learned that sour milk mixed with sweet milk makes cake taste better. Christians, too, may think that our "cake of life" is ruined when the "sour milk" of discouragement and failure is stirred into the mixture. But remember, when the "sour milk" of discouragement is mixed with the "sweet milk" of God's word, there is produced the delicious "just deserts" of the Christian life. James says it this way, "Count it all joy, my brethren, when ye fall into manifold temptations; Knowing that the proving of your faith worketh patience. And let patience have its perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, lacking in nothing" (Jam. 1:2-4).

(By Tom Moore)

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