Larry's Lines...

Marching To Zion

I really do like the new songs we sing in worship. They thrill my heart. Songs like, "Unto Thee, O Lord," and "Seek Ye First" really move me. But there's something special about the old songs-songs we sang when I was growing up-songs that everyone knows-like:

> We're marching to Zion Beautiful, beautiful Zion We're marching upward to Zion The beautiful city of God.

The early Christians never had any doubt that life was leading somewhere and through the promise of Jesus they could now clearly know that somewhere was home. To them life was a pilgrimage-a journey down a highway. When one takes a trip, it helps to know where you are going. It gives the journey a sense of meaning. It's nice to go out driving around sometimes, but even then, at some point we know we are going to go back home. Someone has said, "Either a man is a pilgrim, going somewhere, or a vagabond going nowhere. So even:

> "Tho" the way we journey May be often drear, We Shall see the King someday. On that blessed morning clouds will disappear, We shall see the King someday.'

We continue on, singing as we go- "We are marching to Zion, the beautiful city of God".

> Have A Great Week Larry

With our winter weather coming on, please be advised that the Cancellation of services will be announced on the following TV stations: KNWA-TV | Fox 24 or 40/29 KHBS/ KHOG.

NOTICES

Pantry Items needed: **Personal Care Items**

Classes are cancelled for December 20th and December 27th. We will all meet in the auditorium for our holiday devo's.

December 24th evening service will be a singing night.

Our deepest sympathy goes to the Mike Fine family. Mike passed away on Wednesday, December 13, 2017. His wife Sherry is the daughter of Ron and Barbara Parsley. Please keep this family in your prayers.

prayers as they lost their home to a fire on Wednesday, December 13, 2017. Fortunately the family got out safely, but they lost everything. If you would like to donate to this family, they are accepting gift cards and cash as they have no where to keep possessions at his time. See Steve Martindale if you would like to help.

Please keep the Neumaster family in your

Our sincerest sympathy to the Bobby Meadors Family who lost his life after a long battle with cancer. Bobby is the cousin of Diane Murray.

Upcoming Events

Christmas Caroling Tonight

Want to spread the holiday spirit? Please join us to go caroling on December 17, 2017. We plan to have two session, one before evening worship to a nursing home or two, and one after evening worship to the homes of family and friends who need a smile (shut-ins, widows and widowers, etc). Please meet downstairs at 4:00pm.

Family Night

Enjoy a family night out! You are invited to an ugly sweater skating party from 6:00pm-8:00pm, December 18, 2017 at Roller City in Springdale. A sign up sheet is located in the foyer for those who plan to attend.

Check those mailboxes!!!! It's Christmas.

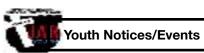


Happy Birthday

December 18th **Heather Martindale** December 22nd **Aiden Ewart Zoey Phillips**

Happy Anniversary December 22nd **Doug and Andrea** Goodpasture December 23rd Michael and Julie

Marvin



*We will be having a teen lunch/Angel Shopping day, December 17th. *Our Next Pre-Game will be December 20th at Fuzzy's restaurant at 5:30. We will not have class that evening, instead we will have a Christmas Devotion.

PM Sermon Outline

- 1. The Church must be on constant quard against apostasy.
- 2. What must the Church do to be saved?
- A. Must have elders who will stand for the truth.
- B. Must train young men to preach the
- C. Must demand a much higher moral
- D. Must do more teaching on Church identity and doctrine.
- E. Must learn how to handle adversity.
- F. Must above all, be Christ centered.

New Years Eve party December

31, 2017 right after evening services. Bring your favorite snack, your favorite game and we will ring in the New Year together!

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues:

Bob Murray (father of Kevin Murray) is having heart issues, **Ron** Parsley is having health issues, Lawson Keeter is having medical issues and will be traveling this month to different doctors.

Those who have lost loved ones: The Witt Family, the Bobby Meadors Family, and the Mike Fine family.

Those Who have been Deployed Overseas: Ron Burns and Jeremy Curlee (grandson of Hilma Curlee).

Those on Hospice: Oma Leta Smith and Bessie Richev.

Those fighting Cancer: Keith Montgomery, Leslie Cones and Darvil Tester (Pam Hill's step-father).

Those who need your continual prayer and consideration! All of our Shut-ins: Arlie Pennington, Pearl Couch, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams and Roy Howard, Betty Jordan, and Millie Hood.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, the families that lost loved ones, those who are traveling this holiday season, as well as our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas.

*All names submitted to the prayer list will appear for four continuous weeks. After that time, they will be removed unless further updates are received. You can always resubmit a name should they need continual or additional prayers.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN

THE MONTH OF December 2017 Lord's Table <u>Ushers</u> Bradon Wolfe Easton Wolfe JP Bradford Jonathan Martindale Colton Lewis Mike Mitchell Heath Huffmaster Matt Bassing Richard Hutton Virgil Harmon Doug Goodpasture **Dustin Mayhew** Phil Curlee <u>Announcements</u> Doug Goodpasture **Becky Bluse** Joe Harriman Amanda Gardenhire Steve Martindale Matt Bassing George Martin **Deliver Communion Dustin Mayhew Nursery Attendants**

Prepare Communion Janice Thomas

Donna Baker

Kaileigh Shefelbine Lisa Lewis Jennifer Lewis P.A. System Jared Cobb

Song Leader Matt Johnson

If you would like email reminders of your service assignment, please provide the office with your email address.

More information about these and other events can be found on the Events board in the foyer.

THE LORD'S DAY **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WELCOME

Joe Harriman

Song Leader Matt Johnson

Hymn #616 (1, 2 &3) The Way of the Cross

Hymn #608 (1&3) He Gave Me A Song

OPENING PRAYER Bruce Casada

Communion Hymn #324 (1,2,3) Tis Midnight and on Olives Brow

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE Romans 5:6-11 Brad Harriman

COMMUNION PRAYER Jim Olmstead

LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

Hymn #539 (1,2,4) **Higher Ground**

Hymn #647 (1,2,5) **Soldiers of Christ Arise**

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:20-26 **Chris Witt**



Invitation Hymn PP Only Come to Jesus

Closing Hymn #712 (1,2,3) **Jesus is Coming Soon**

Closing Prayer

Welcome Visitors!

We are so happy to have you, and consider you our honored guest. If we can help you in any way, please don't hesitate to ask any of our members. We would love to help make your visit a pleasant one.

December Events

December 18th

Ugly Sweater Skating Party

December 20th

Teen Christmas Devotional

December 24th

Singing Night

December 25th

Office Closed

December 27th

New Year's Devotional

December 28th

Elders Meeting

December 31st

New Years Eve Party

January Events

January 1st

Office Closed

January 9th

Threads of Love

AM SERMON OUTLINE

If I had one more sermon to preach.

1. The Hour For The Cross Vs. 23 "The Hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified."

And Commitment Vs. 25-26 He who loves his life will lose loose it, and he who hates his life in the world will keep it to life eternal.

2. The Hour For Conflict Vs. 27-30" Now My Soul has become troubled."

And Confirmation Vs. 28-30 "Father, glorify

3. The Hour For Conquest Vs. 31-33 "Now Judgement is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out."

And Conversion Vs.32-33 "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to

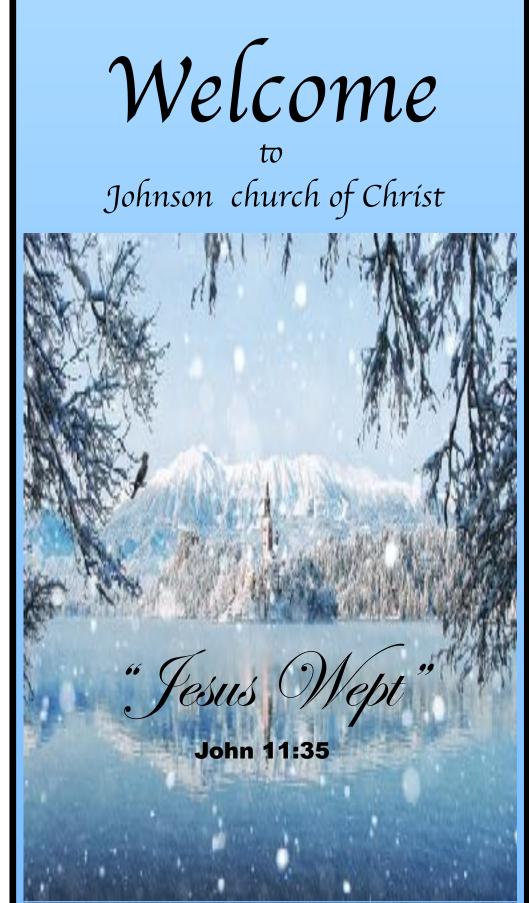
4. The Hour For Confusion Vs. 34-36 "How can you say; The Son of man must be lifted up?"

And Challenge Vs. 46-48 "Walk while you have the light, so that darkness will not overtake you.

5. Personal Application: Do we appreciate Jesus?

Do we appreciate the cross?

Do we appreciate what the cross cost Jesus? Do we understand the urgency of the moment? THE HOUR HAS COME... FOR OUR **RESPONSE!**



December 17, 2017