

Larry's Lines:

From a Preacher to the Moms and Dads of Small Children

I've thought about this a lot lately. During our quiet time at the beginning of worship (or during communion or while I'm preaching), I often hear the sound of kids: giggling, whining, squirming, playing, or fussing.

And I Love It.

I hope you know how much we appreciate you, and how thankful we are that you're bringing your kids to church. It's stressful for you, I know, trying to wrestle one, two, three or more kids throughout a worship service and keep them somewhat civilized. I wasn't usually much help to my wife, of course, (being otherwise engaged), but I remember how difficult it was for her when our four kids were small. One of them (won't say which one, Mike) almost made us reconsider our position on demon possession!

I've been to churches where you don't hear noises from kids, and it's almost always a bad sign about the future of that church. I've heard stories of preachers from years ago who got irritated when kids would make noise during their sermons, and I couldn't disagree more. Let me say this, as your preacher, I love the sounds of babies crying during sermons, because I know what that means. It means you're here, and it means that you care enough about Jesus to struggle with an eighteen-month-old for what seems like forever.

I've heard of church members in some places who frown at moms and dads who can't keep their kids quiet during worship, and I can't help but think about how unlike Jesus that sounds. Don't get me wrong—there's a time when kids need to be taken out—but the parents I know are doing the best they know how to do and deserve our praise and support, not our criticism. I'm thankful to be a part of a children-loving church, and pray it will always be so.

To our parents, when you get frustrated, exhausted, stressed out, and burned out, please know how much we appreciate you. Thank you for loving Jesus and thank you for bringing your kids to spend time with him. You're doing hard, important stuff, and we're glad you're here.

Have a Great Week!
Larry

Announcements:

If you are planning to go on the **ski trip**, please let Chesley Martin or Jeremy Myers know as soon as possible. Money is due October 21, 2018.

If you are planning to go to **Honduras with Jeremy**, he needs to know by October 28, 2018.

Deacon/Elder Meeting will take place TODAY, at 4:00pm. All deacons need to attend. **Budget Meeting** will take place October the 25th at 6:00pm.

Trunk or Treat will take place on October 31, 2018. Be aware, a lot of our kids are allergic to peanuts.

Upcoming Events

Lee's fishing trip is scheduled for October 19th - 21st. If you plan on going, please let Lee know and give him \$10.00 for food.

The **Outdoor Service** will take place October 21, 2018 at 6:00pm. Festivities such as, pony rides, 4-wheeling rides and a pie contest will begin around 4:30. Please bring sides, drinks and desserts. Don't forget your lawn chairs and blankets. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be provided. Invite your family and friends.

Congratulations



Acts 8:36 "Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?" Julien and Emma Shew took this verse to heart and chose to be baptized Sunday Morning, October 7, 2018 in Beaver Lake. Please help them with their daily walk with Christ.

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

Happy Birthday

October 15th
Sharon Olmstead

October 16th
Andrea Huffmaster
Contessa Shew
Bud Rhine
Carson Wood

October 18th
Carolyn Huffmaster

October 19th
Jared Olmstead
Rebekah Griggs

October 20th
Andrea Goodpasture

Pantry Items needed:
Mac and Cheese & Tuna

C.R.E.W. NIGHT

TODAY, right after evening services. This will be our last C.R.E.W. for the year. Our topic is "Pillars of Truth" and the menu is Tacos. \$3.00 per person or \$10.00 per family.

Jar Youth

PRE-Game will be October 17, 2018 at the NWA Mall at 5:30. Our monthly Birthday cake is provided by Debbie Goforth.

Fall Retreat at Sky Ranch, October 19th-21. Meet at the building at 5:00pm. Please bring money to eat on the way. We will return to Johnson after Sunday morning services.

Happy Anniversary

October 16th
Justin and Debbie
Goforth



Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits:

Those with recent health issues: Calvin Billingsley had a recent hospitalization and is now in rehab in Alma AR., **Amelia Bramlett** (Becky Blues's granddaughter) is now at home, **Loveta Dean** (Phil Curlee's sister) has triple negative cancer in one of her limp-nodes, **Shirley Hester** is having health issues, **Roger Gross** is in the Springdale Hospital, **Linda Huffmaster** had a heart Cathe on October 11th and they found no blockage.

Those fighting Cancer: **Oma Leta Smith, Keith Montgomery, Leslie Cones** and **Kim Williams** (Megan Bassing's Aunt).

Those who have lost loved ones: The **Lincoln Phillips** Family.

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration! **Pearl Couch, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams, Roy Howard, Betty Jordan, Genevra Montgomery, Vada Loker** and **Kendra Phillips**.

The leaders of our community, our state, our country, and our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas as well as those who are suffering from floods and hurricanes.

LTC QUIZ BOWL REMINDER

READ: John Chapter 11

We will meet today at 5:00 to discuss chapter 10.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF October 2018

Lord's Table

Larry Scott
Trey Garner
Heath Huffmaster
Doug Goodpasture
Dustin Mayhew

Randall Harriman
Mike Mitchell
Matt Bassing
Virgil Harmon
Larry Lloyd

Ushers

JP Bradford
Matt Johnson
Liga Stamps

Greeters

Mike Mitchell
Jared Cobb

Diane Murray
Tracy Scott

Announcements

Joe Harriman
John Cobb
Eric Keeter

Deliver Communion

Josh Fortenberry

Prepare Communion

Betty Rainwater
Doris Williams

Nursery Attendants

Lauren Mayhew
Laci Cherry

Jack Mayhew
Scarlett Cherry

P.A. System

Darby York

Song Leader
Marc Wolfe

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

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THE LORD'S DAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

Announcements
Joe Harriman

Song Leader
Marc Wolfe

Hymn# 121
Come, Let Us All Unite and Sing

Hymn #PP Only
Great Are You Lord

OPENING PRAYER
Chesley Martin

Hymn#442
I Will Sing the Mercies of the Lord

Hymn #513
I Will Sing of My Redeemer

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE
1 Peter 2:21-24
George Martin

Communion Prayer
Josh Fortenberry

LORD'S SUPPER
Offering

Hymn #238
You Are The Song That I Sing

Hymn #615
He Keeps Me Singing

SERMON SCRIPTURE
Colossians 3:14-17
Brad Harriman

The



QUESTION

Invitation Hymn #587
Sing and Be Happy

Closing Hymn #968
O They Tell Me Of A Home

Closing Prayer
Larry Dalrymple

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.

October Events

October 17th
PRE Game with the Goforth's

October 19-21
Lee's Fishing Trip
JAR Fall Retreat@ Sky Ranch

October 21st

Outdoor Service

October 23rd

Threads of Love

David and Leah Griggs Vow Renewal

October 25th

Elders Meeting

Budget Planning Meeting

October 27th

Huffmaster Hayride

AM SERMON OUTLINE

- Instrumental Music and The New Testament
- The Real Issue
 - What is God's will-what does the Bible say?
- Three ways we can worship God mentioned in the Bible
 - In Ignorance—Acts 17:23
 - In Vain — Mathew 15:9
 - In Spirit and Truth—John 4:24
- Must Have Authority for what we do
 - Tradition rejected Christ—Mark 7:7-9
 - The Bible Is Sufficient—2 Timothy 3:16
 - We cannot add or take away from the word of truth—Revelation 22:18-19
- What does the New Testament teach about music?
 - Ephesians 5:19
 - Colossians 3:16
 - 1 Corinthians 14:15
 - James 5:13
- The Command To Sing Is Specific (Inclusive and Exclusive)
 - Gopher Wood—Genesis 6:14
 - Unleavened Bread—Matthew 26:26
 - Fruit of the Vine—Matthew 26:29
 - Singing—Ephesians 5:19
 - "The Bible didn't say not to", argument would open the door to one to do whatever.
- Defenses of Instrumental Music.
 - Instrumental Music was used in the Old Testament.
 - Instrumental Music is only an aid.
 - The book of Revelation says there will be instrumental music in Heaven.
- It Does Make a Difference—John 4:24

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COME WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday:

Bible Class: 9:30 AM

Morning Worship: 10:20 AM

Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 P.M.

Website: johnsonchurchofchrist.com

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PROOF OF OUR LOVE

October 7, 2018

Bible Study: 172

Morning Worship: 232

Evening Worship: n/a

Wednesday Night: n/a

Chapters Read: 270

Contribution: \$8682.00

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

October 14, 2018

Sunday Evening

Song Leader: Justin GoForth

Opening Prayer: David Cherry

Sermon: Perfect Love

Scripture: 1 John 4:7-18

Announcements: John Cobb

Closing Prayer: Nelson McCoy

October 18, 2018

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader: Matt Johnson

Prayer: Dustin Mayhew

Devotional: Terry Huffmaster

Announcements: Eric Keeter

Closing: Brad Harriman

October 21, 2018

Sunday Morning

Announcements: Joe Harriman

Song Leader: Marc Wolfe

Opening Prayer: Terry Huffmaster

Communion Scripture: Darron Mitchell

Communion Prayer: Herb Hughes

Scripture Reading: Easton Wolfe

Closing Prayer: Phil Curlee

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Herbert Chukwu

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Monday, Tuesdays, & Thursday

8:30 - 4:30

Wednesday 8:30-6:30

Friday 8:30 - 2:30

ELDERS

Alan Fortenberry

Virgil Harmon

Joe Harriman

Terry Huffmaster

Kevin Murray

DEACONS

Jim Allen

Pete Ball

JP Bradford

David Cherry

Jared Cobb

Josh Fortenberry

Doug Goodpasture

Randall Harriman

Richard Hutton

Heath Huffmaster

Chesley Martin

Steve Martindale

Michael Marvin

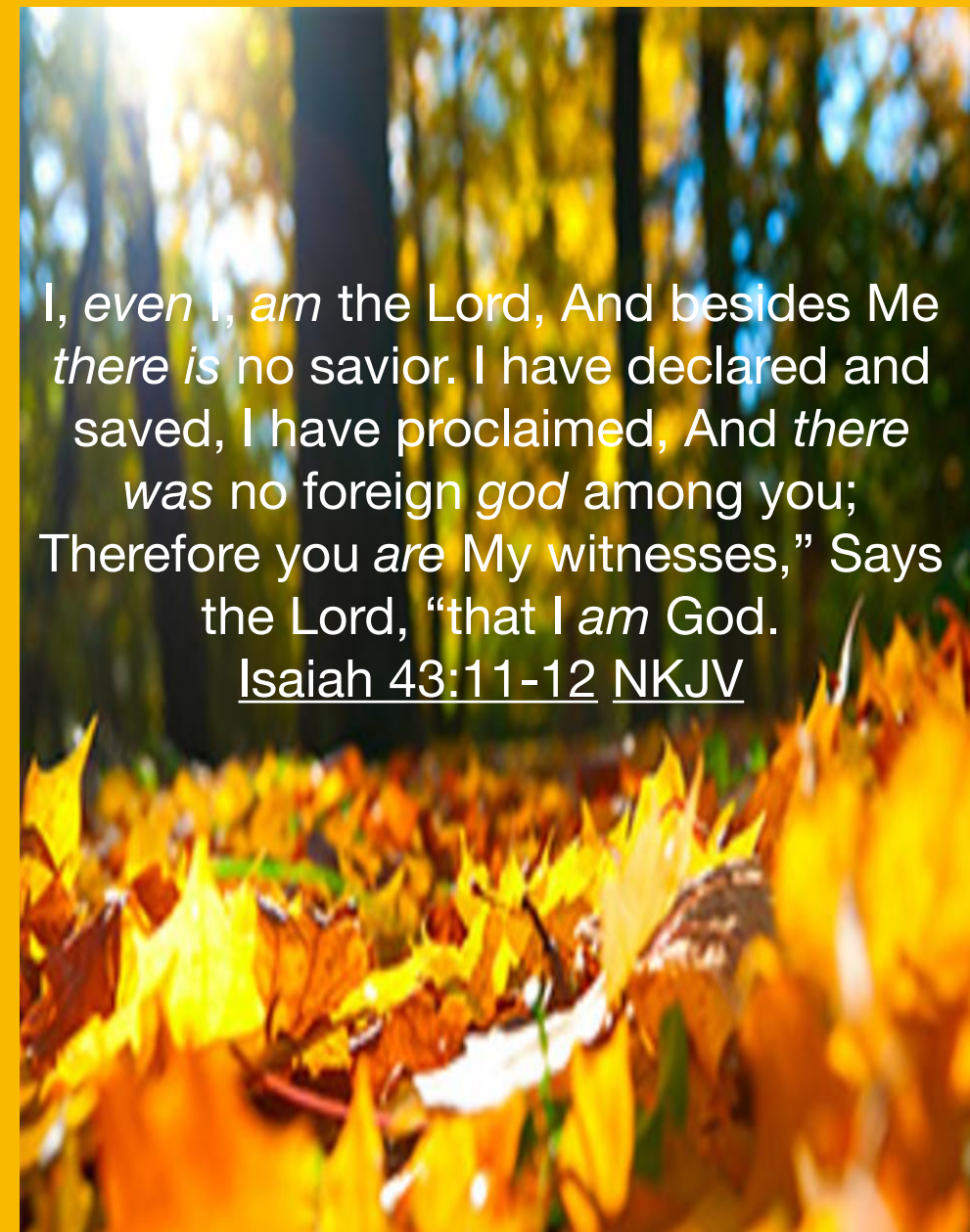
Dustin Mayhew

David Shew

Welcome

to

Johnson church of Christ



I, even I, am the Lord, And besides Me there is no savior. I have declared and saved, I have proclaimed, And there was no foreign god among you; Therefore you are My witnesses," Says the Lord, "that I am God. Isaiah 43:11-12 NKJV

October 14, 2018