



FLORENCE BOULEVARD CHURCH OF CHRIST

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The Gospel You Don't Want Hear

Did you know that Jesus said if you have something against a brother then you are supposed to go to that brother before you worship God? Matthew 5:23-24a says *"So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go."* You may not want to hear this but if you are holding a grudge or have been hurt by a brother or sister then Jesus said you need seek reconciliation before worshipping God (Matthew 17:15-17).

Did you know that Jesus said that he did *"not come to bring peace, but a sword"* in Matthew 10:34? I would almost guarantee that the majority of Americans today would bet that verse is not in the Bible. But Jesus did in fact make this statement to his apostles just before he sent them out into the world to teach and preach. His point was that sometimes when preaching the Gospel people will scoff, mock, or belittle us. How people choose to respond to the Gospel is not up to us. What is up to us is if we present the Gospel or not. You may not want to hear this, but even though people may respond negatively, Jesus made it our duty to preach and teach.

You probably know that Jesus said in Matthew 19:23 that *"only with difficulty will a rich person enter the kingdom of heaven"* and that *"it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God"* in Matthew 19:24; but this is definitely something most of us do not want to hear. If Jesus said these words then why do we focus so much on money and earthly wealth? Yes we want to be comfortable and yes we want to take care of our families. But how much do we *really* need? We must be people who heed Jesus' words and work hard to become eternally wealthy through a right relationship with God. Only then will we be comfortable. Only then will our families truly be taken care of.

This may be a Gospel you don't wanna hear but this is the Gospel that Jesus preached. Are you ready to be a follower of this Gospel?

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Worship: Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm; Bible Class 10:15 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

April 18, 2021



All ladies are invited to a bridal shower, honoring Katie Clark, on Sunday, April 25th from 2-4 pm, at the home of Jewell Gooch (749 East Lakeside Drive, Florence).

It will take place on the back patio and mask are required. Selections are at Amazon, Target, and Bed, Bath & Beyond. Shower Team #4 is hosting (Shower Team Leader will be in contact with Shower Team # 4).

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

The Junior Youth Group will be going to the Nashville Zoo on Saturday, April 24th. If you are interested, in going, please see Nate or Karla Fulmer.

NEW ADDRESSES

Bill and Kim Crunk have moved. Their new address is: 312 Freeman Drive, Rogersville, AL 35652.

Also, Gary, Susan, Trace, & Logan Morris have moved. Their new address is: 1815 County Road 118, Florence, AL 35633.

There is a sign- up sheet, on the Welcome Booth, for Senior Night, which is Sunday, May 2nd. This is so we will know how much food is needed.

There are still a few items that are needed for the Trail Ride & Benefit. Please go by the table in the foyer and sign-up if you can help. Also, if you plan to attend the benefit, everyone is encouraged to bring their own chairs. Chairs will be available also.

SICK/PRAYER LIST

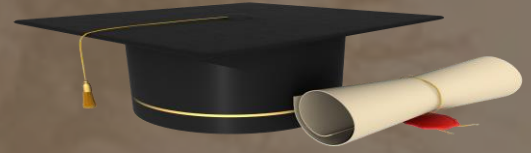
Lane Baker, Reed & Sue Canerday, Colton Clifton (deployed overseas), Marjorie Cox, Gene Gooch, Harlon Goolsby, Mary Garrett, Eleanor Martin, Leo Martin, Helen Parker, Larry Phillips, Paul Richardson, Shelby Trousdale

FAMILY/FRIENDS:, **Brian Allen** (son of Dwight & Linda Allen), **Willie Bird** (brother of Mary Garrett) has colon cancer, **Bill Hogue** (brother of Elizabeth Prosser-has COVID and other health issues, **June Jones** (mother of Kaye Holderfield), **Larry Martin** (son of Leo & Hazel Martin-brother of Deb Harrington), **Vance Pitts** (husband of Patsy Pitts), **Brett Wyatt** (10 year old son of friend of Amy Dickson-has leukemia)

CEDAR VIEW ASSISTED LIVING: **Doug Webster**, Room 111;

LAUDERDALE CHRISTIAN NURSING HOME:

Mary Nix, Room 6; **Glen Gist**, brother of Rayford Gist, Room 13



OUR GRADUATING SENIORS

**Dawson Gist
Emma Maness
Paisley Medley
Grace Tucker
Natalie Turner
Marianna Warner
Jayden Woodfin
Luke Woodfin**

Senior Night will be Sunday, May 2nd

APRIL MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

**Wayne Barrier (Burma)
PO Box 93
Cloverdale, AL 35633**

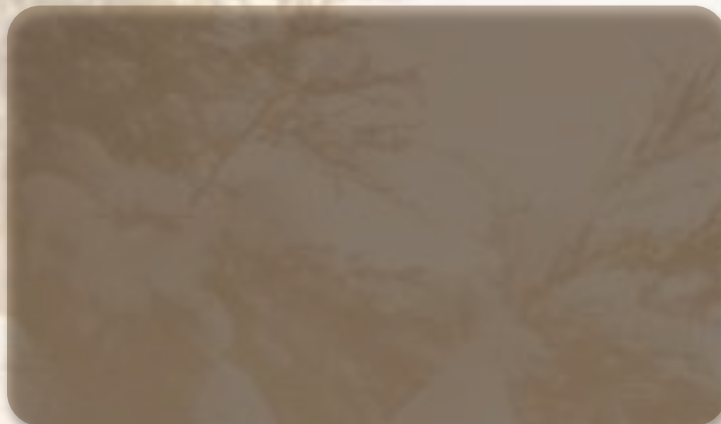
Sermon Titles:

Sunday AM: Invest Big in Small (Matthew 13:31-32)

Sunday PM: High Commitment in a Low Commitment World (2 Corinthians 3:18)

FOR THE RECORD

**Sunday AM: 251 / On Line Views: 300
Sunday School: 215 / On Line Views: N/A
Sunday PM: 167 / On Line Views: 269
Wednesday: 127 / On Line Views: 144
Budget: \$13,300
Contribution: \$ 18,389**



Sermon Titles:

AM:

PM:

Assignments

Morning Worship

Scripture Reader:

Evening Worship

Scripture Reader:

Leading in Communion:

Prayers

First –

Last –

Prayers

First –

Last –

Youth Led: (4:55pm)

Song:

Scripture:

Prayer:

Sermon Notes

Key Words:

Outline: