PLACE OF GRACE

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 AM Bible Class: 10:15 AM Sunday Evening Worship: 5:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30 PM

JANUARY 21, 2024

Florence Boulevard church of Christ



Positively Possible

with Austin

We have all been in awe of the snow that has covered our world this past week. It has been B-E-A-utiful to view! There is nothing like a fresh smooth snow glistening, sparkling on every surface around you as the sun rises, reflecting off each tiny ice crystal. As I sit at my kitchen table and gaze out upon the snow through the window, I cannot help but see the pure white covering as a symbol of the blood of Jesus.

I like how The Living Bible uses translational freedom to make the point of the text in Isaiah 1:18; "Come, let's talk this over, says the Lord; no matter how deep the stain of your sins, I can take it out and make you as clean as freshly fallen snow. Even if you are stained as red as crimson, I can make you white as wool!"

When I see the purity of the snow and remember the words in Isaiah, I am filled with hope of what God can do in a sin-filled world. He can take them and make them as fresh fallen snow. It is up to us to pass that message of hope and purity along. Improbable? Impossible? Remember, with God all things are [positively] possible!

Journey to Jesus

with John

Our youth headed to Eastpoint, Florida after Christmas for a spiritual retreat. Here is what the missionary there (Mike Johnson), said of our youth. Great work Youth Group!!

"And then there's you, Florence Boulevard. A big Eastpoint "Thank You" to John Birdwell and Company for everything you did on this visit - manual labor, helping with Sunday morning children's classes, teen classes, the worship service, and the greatest gift you gave: visiting and helping feed and clothe a destitute recovering drug addict. Goodbye, comfort zone; hello, missions. I was proud to be with you that Sunday afternoon. It was a Matthew 25:40 moment."

Upcoming Events

Jan. 21: Cedar View Worship 2:00 P.M.

Jan. 25: Sewing Sister's Meeting 1:30 PM. In Sewing Room.

Jan. 28: Montreat Services 1:30 P.M.



Youth Events

Combined class with Young Professionals and College in the Lighthouse for January and February.

Area Events

<u>Jan. 27: 15th Annual Men's Day at Leoma church of Christ</u> Theme: Servant Leadership, Speaker: Dr. David Lipe 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Lunch provided at Noon)

<u>Jan. 27: Petersville church of Christ Women's Summit</u> Theme: Rest in God, Speakers: Jeanne Foust & Pam Lenz

<u> Feb. 4: Ladies' Spiritual Workshop at Heritage Christian</u>

Speaker: Laura Jenkins, Theme: Cultivate

To register, visit: cultivateworkshop.eventbrite.com

Feb. 4 - 8: Freed-Hardeman Lectureship

Theme: Triumph Of The Lamb; The Battle With Evil In Revelation

Men to Serve

Today - 1/21
Sunday Morning:
Preside: Don Williams
Opening Prayer: Greg Allen
Closing Prayer: Brently Gresham

On 1/17/24 Wednesday Evening

Closing Prayer: Steve Clark

Today - 1/21
Sunday Evening:
Preside: Don Williams
Opening Prayer: Kevin Vaughn
Bible Reading: Gary Morris
Closing Prayer: Jared Powers

<u>If you are unable serve,</u> please contact church office.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan. 21	Jan. 22	Jan. 23	Jan. 24	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	Jan. 27
Cedar View Worship Service 2:00 PM	How Do You Like To Give Back & Serve?	Which Bible Character Do You Most Resemble?	Bible Study 10:00 AM Room 49 Bible Study 6:30 PM	Sewing Sisters Meeting 1:30 PM	How Do You Walk Worthy Of Your Calling?	If You Could Witness Any Biblical Event, What Would It Be?

Encourage!

Tina McFall responded this past Sunday asking for prayers for an increased desire in living out a spiritually disciplined life, & wanting to be in heaven someday & have her family with her. Please continue to pray for Tina in these coming weeks.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Derek Urban in the passing of his grandfather, Daniel Urban, on Jan. 13, and to Glenda Campbell in the passing of her sister, Ann Steel, this past week.

Men's Breakfast!

Men's breakfast will be starting up again on Feb. 16. beginning at 8:00 AM - Until.

Sick List

- Don Deaton: Recovering well from his ear surgery.
- Ray Carpenter: Has pneumonia & a blood infection. Breathing treatments every 2 hrs.
- Larry & Nancy Cox: Dealing with difficult health issues.
- Myron & Carole Crunk: Having good and bad days.
- Holly Eck: Wrist surgery will be tomorrow, Jan. 22nd.
- Brenna Edmundson: Knee is healing well.
- Marva Forsythe: Doing well. No therapy last week due to weather.
- Jewel Gooch: Improving but had 2 Dr.'s appt.'s that had to be rescheduled last week.
- June Green: Appt. with Dr. is being rescheduled from last week.
- Patty Hunt: Cards can be sent to her home address.
- Larry & Becky Jeffreys: Doing better. Chase is now back home with them.
- J.T. Keenum: Still waiting on results from tests.
- Brian McManus: Improving well. In hard cast for 3 more weeks.
- Carolyn Poole: Having better days. Next appt. is Feb. 2nd.
- Jan Reeves: Back on medicine for chest congestion.
- Janice Schmidt: Healing well & continuing with therapy.
- Tommy Smith: Is now back home recovering.
- Stacy Springer: Waiting on an epidural for her back and hoping to have better days.
- Glen Tatum: Had a light stroke Monday & a heart attack Thursday & is now recovering at home.
- Millie Vandyke: Continues improving every day.

Assisted Living

Linda Barnes, Gladys Parker, Tommy & Martha Smith, Joyce Trousdale, Carolyn Wells

Shut-Ins

Glenda Campbell, Ann Cooper, Don & Ruth Deaton, Eleanor Martin, Gene McDaniel, Drucilla Richardson

Remember to be present for our Gospel Conversations Training. What a wonderful opportunity our elders have given us!

Memory Verse for January: Acts 4:19-20 (ESV) 2502 Florence Boulevard Florence, AL 35630 www.florenceblvd.org Email: office@florenceblvd.org Phone: 256.766.3617 Office Hours: 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

For the week of 1/14/2023

In-Person Attendance

AM Worship: 264 Bible Class: 227 PM Worship: 173 Wednesday: N/A

<u>our elders</u> Steve Clark Jake Vandyke Ken Vanhorn Mark Willingham - Eom

(EOM - ELDER OF THE MONTH)

GREG ALLEN
JUSTIN BECKMAN
KEVIN CLEMONS
MIKE DAVIDSON
KYLE DICKSON
GREGG ELROD
NATE FULMER
A.J. GOOCH
DAVID GOOCH
WILL HODGE
BRIAN MCMANUS
JAMEY MEDLEY
RONNIE PUTNAM

PREACHING MINISTER AUSTIN JOHNSON

DAVE SCHMIDT

MARK VANHORN

YOUTH MINISTER
JOHN BIRDWELL

COLLEGE MINISTER
MICHAEL SHIFFLET

ADULT CURRICULUM
COORDINATOR
DAX HOLT

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
COORDINATOR
LINDA YOUNG

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MONNIE ROSS