

April 23, 2023

A.M. Worship 103
Contribution \$4,501.00
Weekly Budget \$5,653.00

THOSE WHO SERVE

April 30 May 7

LOCK BUILDING

Joe Davis

PROJECTOR AM

Curtis Sanford Ethan Anderson
Quincey Trammel Brian Casey

SCRIPTURE READING

Darrin Griffith Stephen Bailey

FIRST PRAYER

Kyle Teat Gerry Austin

LORD'S SUPPER

Kim Smith Joe Maywald
Roger Peltier Joel Sarabia
David Johnson James Carr
Carl Barrow Darrin Griffith
D.D. Lindsey John Trammel
Michael Welch Quincey Trammel
James Carr William Stidman
Caleb Griffith Drew Stidman
Joe Maywald Sean Alsobrook
Gary Faycosh Justin Alsobrook

CLOSING COMMENTS

Curtis Sanford Walter Anderson

CLOSING PRAYER

Joe Davis David Johnson

EVENING

PROJECTOR PM

Joel Sarabia Shane Young
Walter Anderson Jeff King

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeff King Curtis Sanford

FIRST PRAYER

Scott Ratcliff James Henry

LORD'S SUPPER

Gerry Austin Joe Davis
Rick Arnold Kim Smith

CLOSING PRAYER

John Trammel Dan Talbot

**Wednesday Night
with the Master**

April 26th @ 6:00 p.m.

Bring your brown bag
and come enjoy the
fellowship.



APRIL 30, 2023

GREETERS

April 30 David Johnson
Carl & Sharon Barrow
Margy Davis, Cindy Gernand
May 7 Kyle Teat
Mandie Faycosh, Carol King, Karen Ratcliff
John & Meggin Trammel

MONITORS

April 30 Curtis Sanford
May 7 Kim Smith

MEN TO COUNT CONTRIBUTIONS

April 30 Gerry Austin & John Trammel
May 7 Kyle Teat & Kim Smith

SPECIAL SERVICE

Communion Preparation The Austin's
Clean Communion Trays The Austin's

SONG LEADERS

April:

30 Walter Anderson

May:

7 Michael Welch 14 Scott Ratcliff
21 Richard Thompson 28 Sean Alsobrook

June:

4 Stan Murray 11 Walter Anderson
18 Michael Welch 25 Scott Ratcliff

July:

2 Richard Thompson 9 Sean Alsobrook
16 Stan Murray 23 Walter Anderson
30 Michael Welch

ELDERS Walter Anderson Jeff King Curtis Sanford
DEACONS Joe Davis Scott Ratcliff
Kim Smith William Stidman
John Trammel

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Accents**

"WITH ACCENTS ON ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH"

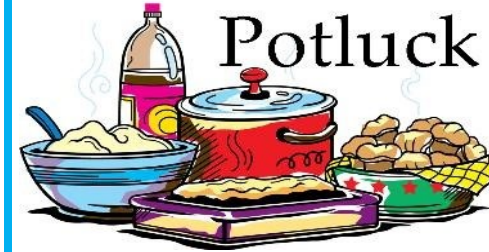
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CHURCH OF CHRIST

1100 E Wilkins
PO BOX 688
ANGLETON, TEXAS 77516
Phone: (979) 849-6391

5th Sunday



Potluck

On April 30th bring your
favorite dish and come
enjoy the fellowship.

**SISTER
TO
SISTER**

ALL ladies are invited to join
us on the 2nd and 4th
Tuesdays of every month.
Our next time together will
be May 9th. If you have
any questions, contact
Margy Davis.

Sunday, May 7th @ 10:30 am

PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY

LORD, HEAL OUR LAND

24hrs of Prayer

Begins Friday, May 5th @ 8am.

Sign-up in the foyer! All
prayers are done in private!

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES 9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP 5:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH THE MASTER 6:00 P.M.
ACTIVITIES & BIBLE STUDY 6:30. 7:00 P.M.

From the Preacher's Desk

First and foremost, I am always grateful to those who are willing to fill in and preach in my absence. I understand the time and sacrifice that comes from crafting a sermon and presenting it, which is why I am grateful. Because I know how difficult it can be, I rarely, if ever, give a specific topic to those who preach for me. I always allow them to pick their lessons, because I want it to be something they are passionate about sharing. If someone asks to continue in one of my series, I still allow them to pick the topic under that theme. The reason I mention this is because of what was said last Sunday evening during worship.

Last Sunday evening, I was given the chance to preach in Freeport at the Southside Church of Christ. I always jump at the opportunity to visit with local congregations because it's important that we fellowship with the saints to strengthen spiritual relationships. My time with that congregation was amazing, and if ever I get the opportunity to go back, I would love for you all to join my family.

As I already said, when people fill in for me, I don't give them a topic, I only ask that they not speak on what I already have planned, and such was the case for Michael this past Sunday evening. Unfortunately, our brother said something from the pulpit that I must address and after we talked, he is planning to address himself publicly. He began his lesson by saying, "David asked me to preach on what we [the church of Christ] get wrong" and that's not the truth. While I did ask him to preach, I never asked him to speak on anything specifically. I didn't even ask that he stick with the *Traditions* series but allowed him to pick whatever topic he wanted. He told me he wanted to continue in our Sunday evening series and shared with me a broad idea. The reason it's important you understand my involvement in this past Sunday evening worship is that the impression that Michael left was that I asked him to speak on those specific topics and ideas that he shared, and thus, I too believe in what he believes. That is not the truth. While I commend Michael on his passion, I know there was a lot in that lesson that we do not agree on, and it's important

to me that my spiritual family understand that.

The bottom line, the lesson that he brought was his own, and I had no connection with what was said and shared. Sadly, I have decided to suspend, for now, the Sunday evening series, *Debunking Religious Trends*. When I get up to preach, my whole heart needs to be in my lesson. Times in the past when I have shared something that wasn't ready, or I wasn't passionate about, it made me feel sick. Thinking about continuing our series *Debunking Religious Trends* makes me feel those uneasy feelings. There is a chance, Lord willing, we will come back to this series in the future; however, at this moment I am going to change gears. Sometimes it's okay to hit the reset button, and in doing so I have reignited my excitement about what I will share with you. I pray that everyone will be a part of these new lessons.

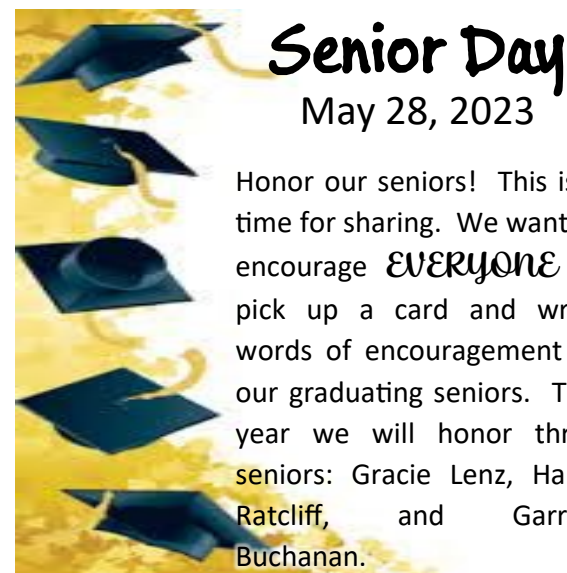
Please understand that I take no joy in writing an article like this and debated on whether it needed to be said at all. In the end, I felt it was important that the congregation know in what capacity I was involved in last Sunday evening's lesson, of which was almost zero. I may not agree with Michael, and I know there are things I believe that he doesn't agree with, but let's not forget that discussion is a part of our daily walk. Every day we face people who don't share our beliefs, or who might share ideas that make us feel uncomfortable. Sitting and having a conversation with those people is what we are commanded to do. It's the spirit behind 1 Peter 3:15, "...but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect..." The only way to give a defense is to have a conversation. I'd like to end, how I began. I am grateful that Michael was willing to preach for me, and I hate that I had to address this issue, but my beliefs are important and when people get the wrong impression because of what or how something was said, I must defend those beliefs. If you'd like to talk more with me, my office is always open, my phone is always on, and I am always available. God bless and have a fantastic week!



I just wanted to say a big thank you to this wonderful congregation for the outpouring of love and support I've received after I preached this past Sunday evening. Even the folk that didn't fully agree with my premise have been gracious and willing to talk further about the subject matter. There is nothing more that a preacher could ask for than having the response to their lesson be continued study and discussion amongst themselves and fellow believers. I love this congregation so much and am so thankful for the reciprocated love I've felt after tackling a subject that was hard to speak on and hard to receive. I am a blessed man.

We will have our first VBS workday on Saturday, May 20. We will be working on set design, puppetry, and general decoration. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Camp Bandina link to register:
<https://bandina-cecilhutsonsession.com/>



Gulf Coast Ladies' Bible

In person & Zoom
9:30 AM CST | 10:30 AM EST
ISAIAH 40: 28-31

MAY 6TH 2023

Renewing your Strength

MEETING ID: 897 9412 8677
PASSCODE: 063327
DIAL: 1.346.248.7799
HOST CONGREGATION
7427 ARDMORE STREET
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77054
ROOMS 104-105

Teacher
Sister Rochelle Jacobs

South Union
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bringing Souls in Spiritual Union With Christ

GARAGE giveaway

Team 3 is collecting items for the giveaway on July 29th.

SYMPATHY

We express our love and sympathy to the Wilkinson family in the loss of Randy's cousin, Brooklyn Fracone, who passed away April 19th. Her service was yesterday.

Please Pray

Frank Anderson had surgery Friday...David Johnson has an infection that has been causing jaw problems...Melissa King had her third round of chemo treatments last week...Kyle Teat is scheduled for gall bladder surgery May 11...David Lemmons, uncle of Mandie Faycosh, will begin seven weeks of chemo...Hermielinda Lindsey, daughter-in-law of D.D. Lindsey, is in ICU at St. Luke's Hospital...April Patterson, niece of Lily McGrath, had successful surgery.