

Oliver Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:00 AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Worship 5:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 PM

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The Feeling of Forgiveness

Following his adultery with Bathsheba, King David was confronted by Nathan the prophet in regard to his sin (II Samuel 12:1-14). David admitted his sin to Nathan and later composed Psalm 51 to show his feelings of guilt and subsequent forgiveness by God. In this psalm, David makes many important points that can apply to every person.

In verse three, David said, "For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me." When we confront someone with sin in their life, one of the hardest things is getting them to admit to their sin. People often get defensive and many times even rationalize that their behavior was not sinful.

David also sees how deep and personal God's forgiveness is. In verse seven, he pleaded with God to "Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I will be whiter than snow." Sin causes one to feel dirty, because sin is "spiritual dirt." One needs a complete washing to remove the filth in one's life. When one is forgiven by the Lord, his soul is "whiter than snow."

The sweet singer of Israel also knew the feelings that come over a person when they are forgiven. David used the words "clean heart" (vs. 10), "a right spirit" (vs. 10), "the joy of thy salvation" (vs. 12), and "thy free spirit" (vs. 12). The psalmist obviously knew what a joyous and uplifting feeling one has when he is forgiven. It is as if a weight has been lifted from your shoulders.

King David also stated how one shows his appreciation to God for wiping away our sins. He said, "I will teach transgressors thy ways" (vs. 13), "my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness (vs. 14), and "my mouth shall shew forth thy praise" (vs. 15). When one experiences complete forgiveness from God, one cannot help but tell others about the mercy of God and the cleansing of sin from one's life.

The Bible teaches that there will be isolated times of sin in our lives (I John 1:8), but if we confess our sins, we know God will forgive them (I John 1:9). It is then that we can experience the feeling of forgiveness that King David found long ago.

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WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20, 2024

Announcements Billy Leone
Song Leader Daniel Ridinger
Opening Prayer (AM) Wade Stinnett
Closing Prayer (AM) Johnny Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (PM) David Wilbanks
Closing Prayer (PM) Max Chandler
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Lonnie Butler

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Tommy Parker
Communion Prep Eula Goode

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23, 2024

Song Leader Max Chandler
Scripture Reading Larry Turpen
Opening Prayer Randy Pyle
Invitation Daniel Ridinger
Announcements Billy Leone
Closing Prayer David Wilbanks

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 27, 2024

Announcements Randy Pyle
Song Leader David Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (AM) Jeff Trousdale
Closing Prayer (AM) Tommy Parker
Opening Prayer (PM) Billy Leone
Closing Prayer (PM) Johnny Wilbanks
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Wade Stinnett

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Tommy Parker
Communion Prep Eula Goode

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30, 2024

Song Leader Allen Goode
Scripture Reading Lonnie Butler
Opening Prayer Larry Turpen
Invitation Randy Pyle
Announcements Max Chandler
Closing Prayer Wade Stinnett

From My Heart to Your Heart

If you would like to send an additional contribution to Churches of Christ Disaster Relief for the hurricane victims, the address is: Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort, P.O. Box 111180, Nashville, TN 37222-1180.

Gene Britnell is still in serious condition and needs our prayers. He is in NAMC. Chuck Moore was moved to a room at Athens Hospital on Tuesday. They are requesting no visitors at this time. Please keep Chuck in your prayers. We have been asked to pray for Linda Huckabee, who is a former member at Oliver. She is in the fourth stage of cancer.

Please continue to pray for Willodyne Gibbons as she recovers from a torn tendon in her leg.

We were glad to see Linda Bryan at church last Sunday. We need to keep little Harrison Bobo, the newborn great-grandson of Randy and Glenda Pyle, in our prayers. He is in Vanderbilt Hospital with multiple problems.

Tommy Butler is waiting to hear results from his latest treatments. Please remember to keep Tony Davis, the father of Chase Davis, in your prayers as he recovers from surgery. We have been asked to pray for Billy Barnes, who has cancer. He was Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law.

Daniel Ridinger is now making monthly trips for his treatments at M.D. Anderson in Houston. Anne is still recovering. Marilyn Patterson has concluded her rehab and is recovering at home.

Randy and Glenda Pyle are helping with his mother at least once a month. James Robbins is continuing to have trouble with his feet and has other health issues. Brother Bill Brazier is in very serious condition and needs your prayers. Julie Fretwell is recovering from surgery, but she has an additional spot near her heart and lung that will need radiation. We have been asked to pray for Calvin Gifford, who is the son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss. Becky Clanton is still dealing with congestive heart failure at home. Tracie Trousdale's father, Bill Corum, is not doing well at this time.

We want to be praying for Daniel McClellan's mother, Sylvia. Also, please pray for Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law, William (Bill) Miller, as he undergoes chemotherapy. Wade Stinnett's cousin, Mike Stinnett, also needs your prayers. Annie Sandlin's sister, Diane Ridgeway, has serious medical problems and needs our prayers. Please continue to pray for those who are fighting cancer: Jennifer Allison, Billy Barnes, Gene Britnell, Tommy Butler, Pam Dahlstrom, Julie Fretwell, Calvin Gifford, Rene Griffin, Ken and Beth Hawkins, Linda Huckabee, Bill Miller, John O'Neill, and Jerry Page.

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In Search of the Lord's Way - Fox 54 Sunday Mornings at 7:30 AM

OUR RECORD



Sunday	Oct 13, 2024
Bible Study	31
Worship AM	42
Worship PM	34
Contribution	\$2585
Weekly Budget	\$2300
Wednesday	Oct 16, 2024
Bible Study	29

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

James 5:16

October

Happy Birthday!

- 3 Melba O'Connell
- 5 Marilyn Patterson
- 5 Wayne Birdwell
- 6 Chuck Moore
- 16 Billy Leone
- 23 Tracie Trousdale
- 30 Lonnie Butler

In Our Prayers

Oliver Members: Linda Bryan, Tommy & Enid Butler, Marsha Chandler, Becky Clanton, Lella Mae Hamilton, Keith Hunt, Chuck Moore, Kathryn Miller, Marilyn Patterson, Sandra Porter, Daniel and Anne Ridinger, James Robbins, Ray Sandlin, Hazel Wilbanks, Patsy Wilbanks.

Family and Friends: Jennifer Allison (Hazel's niece's daughter), Billy Barnes (relative of Kathryn Miller), Jonna Dean Barrier, Glenda Bohanan, Melba's aunt, Harrison Bobo (great-grandson of Randy & Glenda), Bill Brazier, Gene Britnell, Aiden Bryan (Glenda Pyle's great nephew), Charles Butler, Amy Chandler (Max & Marsha's daughter-in-law), Rex Chandler (Max & Marsha's nephew), Tim & Sherri Clutts, Eugene Coco (Chuck Moore's friend), Rick Crill, Bill Corum (Tracie Trousdale's father), Pam Dahlstrom & Faith Reed, Tony Davis (Chase Davis's father), Julie Fretwell, Willodyne Gibbons, Calvin Gifford (son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss), Paula Gilliam (Hazel Wilbanks' niece), Belle Graham (Patricia Moore's mother), Vincent Graham (Patricia's nephew), Faye Pettus Hale (Annie Sandlin's cousin), Danonda Hardeman, Ken and Beth Hawkins (uncle & aunt of Chuck), Martha Hawkins, Earline Hinton (Nelda Hinton's mother), Linda Huckabee, Robert Huffaker, Sylvia McClellan, Bill Miller, Contessa Moore (Chuck's sister), Sean Mosley (Chuck's cousin), Jimmy Moss (uncle of Annie Sandlin), John O'Neill, Jerry Page, Vera Pyle, Diane Ridgeway (Annie Sandlin's sister), Mike Stinnett, Kim Sztanyo, Neal Trousdale.

The Gospel of Christ - Fox 54 (Direct TV) Sunday Mornings at 7:00 AM