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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes..... 9:30 AM
AM Worship..... 10:25 AM
PM Worship..... 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY:

Ladies' Bible Class..... 10:00 AM
Bible Classes and Devo..... 7:00 PM

BIBLE LESSON TEXTS

Sunday, March 31
Noah, Flood, and Promise
Genesis 8-9

Wednesday, April 3
Gospel Meeting

God's Salvation Plan

HEAR the Gospel – Romans 10:17
BELIEVE on the Lord & His Word – Mark 16:16; John 8:24
REPENT of our sins – Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
CONFESS Christ – Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9-10
BE BAPTIZED for the remission of sins–Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; 1 Peter 3:21
LIVE a faithful, dedicated life – Revelation 2:10; James 1:12

The King's Speech #4 – Matthew 18 – Relationships in the Kingdom.

Jesus uses this speech section to focus upon particularly upon the “little ones” of the kingdom (18:3-4, 5-6, 10, 14). The stress is upon the humility of a little child. The King emphasizes that there should be concern for causing someone else to stumble (18:4-10). There should be concern for a brother or sister who has lost their way (18:11-14). There should be concern for right relationships with each other (18:15-20). Forgiveness, compassion, and patience should always be exercised with our brethren (18:21-35).

The King's Speech #5 – Matthew 23-25 – Inheritance of the Kingdom.

These three chapters move us from a condemnation of those who “shut up” the kingdom of heaven in place of their ritualistic, self-centered, hypocritical religion (Matt. 23), to being prepared for the destruction of the religious center of the day (Matt. 24), and the ultimate return of the King to receive the kingdom (Matt. 24-25). Jesus emphasizes that it is the servants who know the Bridegroom, Lord, and King, and are faithfully serving and expecting Him who will ultimately inherit the glorified kingdom of heaven (Matt. 25:1, 14, 34). Are you in the kingdom and ready for the King to come?

Andy Baker

Come and meet with the saints
MONDAY, TUESDAY, and
WEDNESDAY this week (April 1-3)
at 7pm at the building to hear Brother Andy Baker preach the Gospel.

Happenings in God's Family



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“The King's Speech”

Being God's Son, that is, God's chosen King, Jesus made many speeches to help people know what the kingdom of heaven would be like (Matt. 3:17; Ps. 2:7; Heb. 1:5). Matthew in particular details these speeches to help his Jewish audience know about the King and His kingdom. Each speech section ends with: “When He finished these sayings...” (Matt. 7:28; 11:1; 13:53; 19:1; 26:1). Notice characteristics of what Jesus emphasized about the kingdom of heaven:

The King's Speech #1 – Matthew 5-7: Righteousness in the Kingdom. The Sermon on the Mount begins with a blessed character of heart that is molded and shaped by God's will, and the sermon ends with a warning to always hear and do God's will (Matt. 5:1-12; 7:21-27). This type of righteousness stands in stark contrast to the righteousness of the Pharisees as detailed through the main body of this sermon (Matt. 5:20-7:20). Jesus wants His kingdom to know that true righteousness does not consist in an outward show, but rather that right actions will proceed from an obedient, submissive heart to God's will.

The King's Speech #2 – Matthew 10: Preaching about the Kingdom. The main thrust of this lesson is for those (specifically the apostles) who are preaching the good news of the kingdom (Matt. 10:6-8). Jesus very clearly identifies that the preaching of the kingdom will bring persecution, pain and hardship to those who preach. However, Jesus shows that a steadfast reliance on God, His care, and His promised reward should always be the focus of those who preach (Matt. 10:9-10, 18-19, 28, 39, 42).

The King's Speech #3 – Matthew 13:1-53 – Growth of the Kingdom. The great parables chapter of the Bible is devoted to describing what the kingdom consists of, and the growth it undergoes. From something very small such as a seed, a mustard seed, leaven, and a speck of sand, the kingdom's growth potential is massive. Despite hearts that are not what they ought to be, a ruthless enemy, or difficulty in finding the kingdom, Jesus assures His followers that the kingdom of heaven will grow as it ought if the Word of God is only sown.

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March 31, 2024 SERVANTS

Announcements: Blake Tyndell

LORD'S TABLE: Ernest Shelton
Jerry Yates Jimmy Smith

AM SongleaderKevin Cauley

AM PRAYERS **PM PRAYERS**

John ThomasJohnny Thomas
Jamey Thomas.....Jody Thomas

PM Songleader: Kevin Cauley

PM Communion: Jimmy Smith

Prepare and fill communion trays for March:
Shelah Shirley and Janie Martin

April 7, 2024 SERVANTS

Announcements: Dave Conley

LORD'S TABLE: Jamey Thomas
Justin Arsenault..... Micah Thomas

AM Songleader Eddie Cauley

AM PRAYERS **PM PRAYERS**

Tommy McGee.....Johnny Thomas
Jamey Thomas.....Eddie Cauley

PM Songleader: John Thomas

PM Communion: Jamey Thomas

Prepare and fill communion trays for April:
Peggy Johnson and Wilma Alexander

Visitor Cards are picked up Sunday mornings after announcements by **Deacon Tyndell** and **Parker Orr.**

If you cannot serve, please call John D. Thomas-903-490-5572.

If you would like to host a POTLUCK LUNCHEON in 2024, please sign up on the bulletin board

Birthday!

Gavin Cauley March 31

Anniversary!

M/M Scott Overstreet April 4



Canned fruit

H2R wants

canned cream corn

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY March 24, 2024

Bible Class-----	57
AM Worship-----	101
PM Worship-----	43
Contribution-----	\$3,151.40
Average to Date -----	\$3,209.48
Budget to Date-----	\$3,127.00

Wednesday March 20, 2024

Bible Class-----	63
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Reminders/Notices

1. Our Spring Gospel Meeting with Brother Andy Baker will be March 31 through April 3.
2. The Grace Duffer wedding shower is at 2:00 March 24 in Multipurpose room.
3. Oak Grove church of Christ in Mount Pleasant will have a Gospel meeting with Ronnie Scherffius beginning April 7.
4. Jefferson church of Christ will also host a Gospel meeting April 14-17 with Dennis Morris preaching. Flyers are posted on the bulletin board.
5. Camp Ida session will be June 30-July 5.
6. Proposed dates for the mission trip to Brazil this year are also in July.



Topics/Titles for the Sermons:

- Sunday morning Bible class hour "Jesus Our God"
- Sunday morning worship hour "Jesus Our All in All"
- Sunday evening worship hour "Jesus Our Advocate"
- Monday evening "Jesus Our Example"
- Tuesday evening "Jesus Our Joy"
- Wednesday evening "Jesus Our Hope"



Audio Recordings will be available. We plan to Livestream video via our YouTube channel also.