

HIGHWAY 32 MESSENGER



Highway 32 Church of Christ

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Sunday Bible Class	10:00AM
Sunday Morning Assembly	11:00AM
Sunday Evening Assembly	6:00PM
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00PM

Privileged to Serve

Announcements: Frank Glover

Song Leader: Lowell Smith

Lord's Table. Tom Mayes
Dylan Dingus
Steve Wright
Don Salisbury

Opening Prayer: Les Smith

Sermon: Marc Curfman

Closing Prayer: Alan Springer

PM Song Leader: Bruce Curfman

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	45	36
Morn. Assembly	87	79
Sun Eve.	24	17

Wednesday	17	07
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Contribution:	\$2477.00	\$2674.00
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God's Butterflies?

What would the world be like without you? Perhaps a better question would be; what would the world be like without your love, your concern and your embrace? That might be the question you never considered but in truth it is the most powerful aspect of your very being. Most all have heard of Edward Lorenz's theory of what is called The Butterfly Effect. Based on the idea that there are no inconsequential events in the universe, the butterfly effect proposes that even the flight of a mere butterfly in one part of the world can have consequences even thousands of miles away. Perhaps Lorenz is overstating his case for a single butterfly. I'll leave that one for scientists smarter than I. Yet when it comes to your life and mine, I am convinced there is or at least can be that "butterfly effect."

The great question of the sages and wise men has always been; "What is life's purpose?" or simply; "Why am I here?" So people dream of accomplishing great deeds or tasks. People go into politics to leave their mark on society. Others join the military or become first responders. Some dream of writing a great novel or maybe a great athlete. I truly believe that greatness can be found in some of the most ordinary and simple things of life.

At the Last Supper, the apostles are found arguing about who was the greatest (Luke 22:44). Yet during this same evening, our Lord wrapped a towel around His waist, poured out water into a basin and began to wash these arrogant feet. Two thousand years later, the butterfly effect of humility preaches to each one of us. It was also Jesus who said; ***"whoever in the name of a disciple gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink, truly I say to you, he shall not lose his reward."***

Matt. 10:42. Such a deed is unworthy of national acclaim and unlikely to ever "go viral." Yet heaven never forgets.

In Romans 14, Paul spends verse after verse reminding us to not focus on self but to always remember that what we do and what we say has consequences for those whose lives we encounter. The most powerful reminder is Romans 14:7 where Paul says; ***"For not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself."*** So let me ask you that question again: What would the world be like without your love, your concern and your embrace?

We have all at some time or another had that pity party where we complain that no one cares about us! Do we instead ask ourselves who do we care about? If your life is focused solely on yourself, then perhaps you are right. If you were gone, maybe there would be no "butterfly effect." Yet I promise you that if your life is focused on others, then there is no end to the possibilities of what great things are accomplished merely because you spend the day choosing to love another soul. Your treatment of a sister at church can make all the difference in her worship that day. How you respect the cashier, waitress or bus driver might not just brighten their day but they in turn might pass it on to the next. The coat you donated, the neighbor you greeted, phone call you made, the card you mailed or the simple smile you shared. ***"for not one of us lives for himself, and not one dies for himself."*** If there is that butterfly effect, then let us choose to make the world a better place.

Yes, our Lord came from heaven, died for our sins and conquered the grave. But Peter reminds us that ***"Jesus of Nazareth... went about doing good."*** Acts 10:38. May each of us leave such a legacy behind.

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Welcome to Highway 32 Church,

We are a group of Christians worshipping God according to the Teaching in the New Testament. May we all worship our loving Father today with sincere hearts, open and receptive to His Spirit and His love.

August Teachers

Cradle Roll - Jessica Mayes
Pre-K-K - Melody/Libby
2nd-6th - Sue Curfman

Sunday Morning Adult classes:

Lowell Smith

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Marc Curfman



August Teacher
Lindsey Stith

Note: Children will go to Bible Hour during the song before the morning lesson.



August Building & Communion
Don/Nancy Salisbury

Zoom Meetings – Zoom meeting (2 Corinthians) every Thursday 7pm.
See Sue for the link if you would like to participate.

Announcements:

Huey Jones is recovery at home now if you are able to help with meals see Frank Glover, he is scheduling.

Keith Pennington has returned home from Christ Hospital ER. He has been having heart issues. Keep him in your prayers.

Friend of Karen Smith, Cindy Kent is battling breast cancer and has been also diagnosed with brain tumors. Keep her in your prayers.

Christian Help Center - The specified item for August will be Green Beans. Any questions see Debbie Colonel.

Please have all donated school items in the lobby by **next Sunday 8/9/26.** Lindsey will be taking them to school. Thank you for your help. Pencils, Notebook paper, Composition books, Spiral notebooks, Dry Erase markers, Glue Sticks, Scissors, Colored Pencils, Markers, Clorox Wipes, Paper Towels, and Tissues.

Potluck Luncheon Date for August will be the 16th.

Annual Ladies Day will be Saturday September 12th. Schedule/flyer is available to invite your friends on the table in the foyer. Pick one up and mark your calendars to attend.

Opportunities to studying God's word: Colossians Sunday night at 6:00pm, I Thessalonians Wednesday night at 7:00pm and II Corinthians Thursday nights on Zoom at 7:00pm.

August Birthdays

8/6 Mark Book
8/10 Penny Goble
8/15 Aaron Humphries
8/22 Cathy Cann
8/23 Alex Watkins
8/26 Linda Pennington

August Anniversaries

8/3 Bob/Mary Parker
8/20 Ron/Linda Carter
8/26 Betty/Ted Sutton
8/28 Rich/Jenni Book

Continue to Remember: Mark Book, Karen Smith, Carol Basham, Bob/Mary Parker, Lynn Prickett, Steve Cummins, and our church family.

"The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much."