

# 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:	Keith Pennington
Song Leader:	Lowell Smith
Prayer:	Tom Mayes
Lord's Table	Les Smith Dwayne Morton Jake Hansel Bruce Curfman
Sermon:	Marc Curfman
Closing Prayer:	Griffin Stith
PM Song Leader:	Bruce Curfman

**Attendance**

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	35	43
Morn. Assembly	63	81
Sun Eve.	27	13
Wednesday	11	11
Zoom Class	24	19
Contribution:	\$1923.00	\$3135.00

*“Of Levi he said,  
 “Let Your Thummim and Your Urim belong to Your godly man,  
 Whom You proved at Massah,  
 With whom You contended at the waters of Meribah;  
 Who said of his father and his mother,  
 ‘I did not consider them’;  
 And he did not acknowledge his brothers,  
 Nor did he regard his own sons,  
 For they observed Your word,  
 And kept Your covenant.” Deut. 33:8-9.*

As Moses passed the torch on to Joshua, Moses gave blessings, warnings and encouragement to each of the twelve tribes. The above are the words to the tribe of Levi, in particular the High Priest who carried the divining stones of the Thummim and Urim.

Moses recalls events recorded in Exodus 17 when the people grumbled against God. Would God’s man stand firm with God or be swayed by the people?

The place of this grumbling was called Massah (temptation) and the waters of Meribah (contention). Every Christian who stands firm with God will be tempted to compromise the message and give in to the loud contentious voices of others.

One of the greatest challenges for a High Priest was to not be swayed by public opinion or even one’s closest relations but to observe and teach God’s word. Moses tells us that a spiritual leader of God’s people cannot be influenced even by his parents, nor brothers, nor his own sons.

Today, many believers seem more concerned with offending a friend than honoring God. It is a real temptation (Massah). We see our loved ones before us yet we must trust in the unseen God of the universe. Loyalty and faithfulness to God is best seen when we live by faith and not by sight. Today, so many want to be contentious (Meribah) concerning the plain truth of God’s word because our hearts often seek what God rejects. We see it in marriages, religion, even in our responsibilities to our own lives and the lives of others.

To firmly follow and teach God’s plan is not the popular path but it is the necessary command of our Lord. To save a soul is to choose God’s perfect path rather than man’s latest complaints or opinion.

I don’t really know what those divining stones were or how they revealed truth. Such information was lost more than 2,000 years ago (no one knows). But the names of those stones are revealing for us today as we seek to know God’s will. Thummim means “perfection”. Massah means “light”. We still have that source of perfection and light even today. As David once wrote:

***“The law of the LORD is perfect, restoring the soul;...***

***The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.” Ps. 19:7-8.***

May the perfect and enlightening truth of God’s word be your only hope and only message.

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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.

### April Teachers

**Cradle Roll** - Yvonne Glover  
**Pre-K-K** - Sue Curfman  
**1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>** -

### **Sunday Morning Adult classes:**

Frank Glover

**Wed. Eve.** Don Salisbury - 7:00pm



**April Teacher**  
Lindsey Stith

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



**April Building & Communion**  
Keith/Linda Pennington

**Zoom Meetings - every Thursday evening at 7pm. Let Sue know if you want the link to join in.**

## Announcements:

Joyce Warman has been diagnosed with breast cancer and will began chemo treatments Tuesday at Anderson Mercy. Treatments will go 4-6 months. Keep her in your prayers.

Emma Posey has a new phone number. Change in your directory; 513/436-0532.

Karen Smith's hip surgery will be April 4<sup>th</sup> and Carl Beard will have hip surgery 4/9. Keep them in your prayers.

Ladies class will have to be postponed until April 27<sup>th</sup>. We will also prepare vbs for July at this time.

Paula Craycraft's sister, Donna Henson is in Eastgate Caresprings Nursing Home; 4400 Glen Este Withamsville Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45145. Please send her a card and some encouraging words during this difficult time.

**Pancake Breakfast & Devo** will be Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in lieu of potluck luncheon for that month. Flyers are available on the table in the foyer to invite friends and family. Sign-up sheet for food is on the bulletin board in the foyer.



### April Birthdays

4/1 Liam Adams            4/19 Yvonne Glover  
4/18 Harley Carrothers    4/25 Karen Smith  
4/18 Annie Norvell        4/29 Lindsey Smith

### April Anniversaries

4/28 Jeremy/Kacie Schunk

**Continue to Remember:** Mary Carrothers, Karen Smith, Carol Basham, Joyce Warman's sister, Ruth Barnes and our church family.

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