

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: Ron Smith

Song Leader: Aaron Humphries

Lord's Table. David Turpin
Griffin Stith
Steve Wright
Les Smith

Opening Prayer: Rich Book

Sermon: Lowell Smith

Closing Prayer: Don Salisbury

PM Song Leader: no pm service

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	42	40
Morn. Assembly	76	76
Sun Eve.	**	18
Wednesday	12	08
Zoom Class	**	**
Contribution:	\$2773.00	\$3180.00



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“the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head”

Karl Marx wrote his Communist Manifesto all the while living comfortably in Brussels as a heavy drinker supported by the wealthy philanthropist Friedrich Engels. Today one of the most powerful proponents of Marxism is a multi-billionaire living luxuriously in Shanghai (let that oxymoron sink into you head). Singham claims he wishes to give all of his money away before dying but at the age of 71 he must still be working out the details as he resides apart from the masses. Repeatedly I hear the cries of the unbeliever and atheist who just cannot believe in a god that would allow such suffering, pain and hunger. What I never seem to see of such people is their devotion to bring about a better world through their own sacrifice and loss. I'm not saying such people do not exist, but they are not the loud voices you hear in our world. And even some of the self-proclaimed philanthropist seem to grow wealthier each day as they are skilled in the art of mirrors and curtains. Then there is the Son of God. When someone asked to follow in what seemed like a great path, Jesus warned: ***“The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.”*** Luke 9:58.

It seems at every bar, tavern, every office breakroom and every family reunion you can find the voice of a complacent doubter who just can't believe in God because there is world suffering. The Bible, from Genesis to Revelation is the answer to those voices if they would just humble themselves long enough to listen and understand. The reason for such hurt is man's failure, not God. In fact, that is what the word sin means - failure, failure to find the mark, failure to take the good path. We see the impact on the world, ***“For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.”*** Rom. 8:22.

The voices of unbelief has little to do with world suffering. Instead, it is the voice concerning lordship. Those who refuse to make Jesus Lord prefer their own self-proclaimed lordship. To believe in God and be honest about such believe would be an admission to a higher power, a greater authority and a God that must reign over my own will, purpose and desires.

In that story in Luke 9, people who claim to believe are soon seen as ones who refuse to surrender. The comfort of life, and the priorities of one's personal desires trumped God's lordship in their lives. One by one they excused themselves from God's lordship and walked away from Jesus. Today's philosophical beliefs always seem to start with a sworn independence from God's hand in their lives. The lordship of Jesus calls us to leave our comfort, leave our independence and follow regardless of the cost. The atheist can moan and complain about God, all the while enjoying that expensive smartphone while sipping a personalized latte at Starbucks.

To believe in God is also to believe God and follow. Rather than complain about life from a high-rise penthouse in Shanghai, you may also find nowhere to lay your head as you follow the love of God. Knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men, we give that cup of water, we bear one another's burdens. We will let the philosophy of the godless live in their luxury as they speak of what is fair and unfair. We will live reflecting the heart of our God as we follow our Master who, well, rather than writing a blog, He chose a cross.

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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.

May Teachers

Cradle Roll - Kacie Schunk
Pre-K-K - Nancy Salisbury
2nd-6th - David/Penny Goble

Sunday Morning Adult classes:
David Turpin

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Ron Smith



May Teacher
Sandy Turpin

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



May
Building & Communion
Glover Family

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

Announcements:

Potluck luncheon Today and No PM Service due to luncheon.

Christian Help Center - The specified item for May will be SpaghettiOs. Any questions see Debbie Colonel.

Libby Watkins is doing better and seeing a cardiologist to discover what caused her chest pains.

VBS – In preparing for VBS if you have any of the following items we could borrow as decorations, (Canoe/Kayak, Christmas Tree, Lanterns) Please see Lindsey Stith.



May Birthdays

5/2 Daniel Beard
5/5 Emma Boggs
5/7 Kelsey Book
5/8 Mondo Stith & Colin Humphries
5/9 Frederick Mayes
5/15 Dylan Ruhstaller
5/22 Kacie Schunk
5/31 Tanya Humphries

May Anniversaries

5/13 David/Sandy Turpin

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

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