September 6, 2026

HIGHWAY 32 MESSENGER

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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:	David Goble
Song Leader:	Lowell Smith
Lord's Table.	Tom Mayes Dylan Ruhstaller Bruce Curfman Dylan Dingus
Opening Prayer:	Ashton Hutchinson
Sermon:	David Turpin
Closing Prayer:	Don Salisbury
PM Song Leader:	Bruce Curfman

Attendance

	Last Week	Week Before
Sun. Bible	32	31
Morn. Assembly	60	85
Sun Eve.	13	**
Wednesday	08	08
Contribution:	$1834.00	$3283.00

Visitors: Scan QR Code and let us know you were here.

See it Through no Matter What

I like a story with a happy ending. It is the way fairy tales are told; "And they lived happily ever after." Happy endings give us hope for the day. Each of us want the encouragement and knowledge that what we are doing is for a positive outcome. Yet there are those times in life when the right thing to do may not bring about that glorious final chapter of victory and vindication. Sometimes, you do the right thing, just because it is the right thing to do.

In the book To Kill a Mockingbird, the author has this call to the reader; "Real courage is when you know you're licked before you begin, but you begin anyway and see it through no matter what." Such conviction is rare in our world today. We live in a world that always asks; "what is in this for me?" The word altruistic is not only hard to spell, it is hard to discover.

So in Scripture, I am constantly drawn to those great warriors and champions of faith who fought off armies, defied rulers and lead the people to victory. We love a David and Goliath story or Daniel in the lion's den. There are other types of stories in scripture. Hebrews reminds the reader of their stories too. ***"others were tortured, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection; and others experienced mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated (men of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground."*** Heb. 11:36-38. Not exactly a comforting bedtime story.

The point is that true heroism is not based on the accomplishment as much as it is the conviction and faithfulness. As you look over your life, you may ask if you were successful or a failure. The older you get the more frequently you may visit this corner of your soul. Scripture makes it very clear. It is our faithfulness and tenacious conviction that tells our story. And it is eternity that vindicates our choices. Struggles are always difficult. Doubts assail even the greatest of saints but doing what is right, being a light in darkness, especially when you face the winds of opposition is the greatest hero story that can ever be told.

I still hope for those obvious victories of accomplishments for God's work here and now. But one day, the only thing that will matter is not a list of deeds or accomplishments. What will matter is to stand before God and hear the words; ***"Well done, good and faithful servant."*** Perhaps when you read the story of the servants entrusted with the talents, you missed the heart of the parable. It wasn't what they accomplished but the undying commitment to serve that caused heaven to praise their lives.

You and I may never know what we have really accomplished in the end. The deeds of faith may not see their ultimate fruit even in our life time. Yet the victory, the story of hope is seen in the stories of those who did what was right regardless, who loved those who may not have appreciated the blessing, who served simply because it was the right thing to do, who loved because it honors our God. We see the task through, not because of the promised success but because you see it through no matter what. That kind of sounds like a man on a cross. It sounds like my Lord *marc*

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.

September Teachers

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

Sunday Morning Adult classes:
Frank Glover

Wed. Eve. 7:00 pm – Don Salisbury



September Teacher
Debbie Colonel

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



September Building & Communion
Marc/Sue/Bruce

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

Announcements:

Prayers:
Keith Pennington will be having his ablation on October 16, keep him in your prayers.

Howard Basham is at Otterbein in Batavia for rehab. And is doing much better. He should be coming home next week.

Paul Craycraft would like to ask for prayers for Denise Love she is not doing well.

Christian Help Center - The specified item for September will be Instant Oatmeal. Any questions see Debbie Colonel.

Ladies our Ladies Day Program will be **this coming** Saturday 9/12 at 10am. Please sign up to bring a side salad on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Bring your friends and introduce Highway 32 to all you know. The schedule for the day is also printed and on the table in the lobby.

Mark your Calendars for a **Group Picture** for Highway 32 Church members Sunday September 20th.

Potluck luncheon for the month of September will be the 13th.

September Birthdays

9/2 Rebecca Shafer & Margo Stith
9/4 David Turpin & Steve Wright
9/4 Chryl Larbes
9/5 Marc Curfman & Cheryl Bernhardt
9/12 Nancy Salisbury & Ashton Hutchinson
9/13 Farryl Atkins
9/17 Elizabeth Schunk
9/23 Sheila Gelter & Ron Carter
9/24 LaShanda Smith
9/27 Loralei Mayes & Dominyck
9/29 Steve Bernhardt
9/30 Lowell Smith

September Anniversaries

9/11 Marvin/Wanda Pennington
9/12 Jim/Laura Hutchings
9/17 Aaron/Tanya Humphries

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."