

Welcome to the
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Times of Worship

Sunday
 10:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School
 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study
 5:30 p.m.
 6:30 p.m.



April 3, 2016

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REASON TO PRAISE!

J. K. Gressett writes about a man named Samuel S. Scull who settled on a farm in the Arizona desert with his wife and children:

One night a fierce desert storm struck with rain, hail and high wind. At daybreak, feeling sick and fearing what he might find, Samuel went to survey their loss.

The hail had beaten the garden and truck patch into the ground. The house was partially unroofed. The henhouse had blown away and dead chickens were scattered around. Destruction and devastation were everywhere.

While standing dazed, evaluating the mess and wondering about the future, he heard a stirring in the lumber pile that was the remains of the henhouse. A rooster was climbing up through the debris and he didn't stop climbing until he had mounted the highest board in the pile. That old rooster was dripping wet and most of his feathers were blown away. But as the sun came over the eastern horizon, he flapped his bony wings and proudly crowed.

That old, wet, bare rooster could still crow when he saw the morning sun. And like that rooster, our world may have fallen apart. We may have lost everything, but if we trust in God, we'll be able to see the light of God's goodness, pick ourselves out of the rubble, and sing His praise!

R. Medlin

Lessons for Today:

“Jesus: Son of God”
 John 20:30-31

“Heroic Conscience: Coping With Guilt”
 Philippians 3:13-14

Today's Activities:

♦**Family Circle #1 (Brasher/Busby/Moon):** Please meet in the Seminar Room after the morning service for a quick prayer and planning meeting.

♦**Family Circle #6 (Crapps, Dutton, Pace, Phillips):** Will have a fellowship meal after the morning service in the President's Dining Room at the Faulkner Cafeteria.

♦**Family Circle #8 (Bond, Jones, Morris):** Will have a potluck luncheon after the morning service in the Fellowship Hall.

Love Your Neighbor Verse:

Job 6:14

“He who withholds kindness from a friend forsakes the fear of the Almighty.”

<i>This Week</i>	<i>Records You Help Make</i>
Making announcements: Sunday - 10:00 am: Ray Sherer Sunday- 5:00 pm: Ryan Gallagher Wednesday - Randy Medlin	Sunday Bible Study 267 Sunday Morning Worship 444 Sunday Evening 399 Hispanic Ministry 36 Elizabeth Wright Apts., Sunday a.m. 15 Inner City 18 Wednesday Evening—6:30 232 Wednesday Evening—6:15 232 Wednesday Evening—5:30 81 General Fund Contributions \$15,905.52 Hispanic Min. Cont. — Weekly Budget \$24,147.00 Weekly Contribution Avg., 2016 \$22,195.37
Inner City Ministry: April 4, 2016 Ladies' Bible Class: Tuesdays, 10:00 am 5:30 Wed. Bible Study: "Major Lessons From Amos" Amos 4:12 6:30 Wed. Bible Study: Various Classes Camellia Gardens Apts. Bible Study: Thursdays, 5:30 pm Men's Bible Class: Fridays, 6:30am, Studying Genesis 29	

Worship Leaders
April 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Opening Prayer Richard Grah
Preside at Table Ray Dutton
Scripture Reading Tracy Lincoln
Closing Prayer Jamie Horn

Serve Communion: Todd Brenneman, Richard Donaldson, Sam Long, Josh Matthews, Bruce Morton, Phillip Norton, Eddie Phillips, Lee Podoll, James Powers, Tommie Pruitt, James Russell, Adrian Saffold, Jonathan Sharit, David Short, Bryan Smith, Harold Thompson

5:00 p.m.

Opening Prayer Joseph Vickery
Scripture Reading Fenter Northern
Closing Prayer Dean Itson

Serve Evening Communion:
Patrick Daly, Bobby Mathews, Bryan Smith

Others Who Serve :
Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Elders: Cecil May and Hue Don Norris
Nursery

AM: Laura Freeman and Nie-Shae Deason
PM: Taryn Brodie and Anna Vega

Greeters

East: Bill and Margie Andrews
West: Leon and Dorothy Mosby

Ushers

East: Tommy Burgess
West: Larry Alford

Doorman

East: Larry Joyce
West: Tommy Williams

Youth & College Activities:

- ◆**L2L Wrap-Up Luncheon:** Sun., April 10, Fellowship Hall.
- ◆**Area-Wide Devo:** Sun., April 10, 5:00-07:00 pm, Faulkner University Rotunda.
- ◆**PB&J:** Tues., April 12, 6-8pm, Fellowship Hall.
- ◆**High School Seniors/Parents:** Please send 15 pictures to Paul Spurlin by April 10th for the senior reception.
- ◆**Jr. Devo:** Sun., April 17, hosted at the Spurlin home.
- ◆**Sr. Devo:** Sun., April 17, after evening worship, Fellowship Hall, hosted by the Medlin family.

Those In Need of Our Prayers

We rejoice with **Carlie Barlow** as she was baptized on Sunday, March 27, after services.

Marguerite Mae Heartsill, mother of Ellen Williams, passed away early Wednesday morning, March 30. Visitation will be held on Saturday, April 2, at Ft. Deposit Church of Christ at 9:00am and the service will follow at 10:00am. The burial will be held at Myrtlewood Cemetery in Ft. Deposit, AL immediately following the service.

Bob Hudson has been having difficulty breathing recently.

Dennis and Nancy Itson traveled to M. D. Anderson in Houston, TX on Saturday, April 2, where Dennis will undergo tests.

Congratulations to **Patrick and Rebekah Jones** on the birth of their son, **Maddox Carver**, on Thursday, March 24. **Robert and Jenny Moon** are the proud grandparents and **Betty McCarver** is the very proud great-grandmother. Both mom, dad, and baby Maddox are doing great!

Those confined, dealing with ongoing health problems, and military: Dan Alexander, Cindy Alford, Darlene Baad, Pierre Caldwell, Blois & Lucy Clifton, Wally & Sharon Colburn, James & Rebecca Deason, Gwendolyn Harris, Lorene Hitt, Dottie Huggins, Dennis Itson, Sara Jones, Sandra Jones, Laura Langford, Betty Metcalf, Charles Mills, June Moss, Lynne Spencer, Londyn Stringer, Rose Turner, Dan Winstein, Brandi Young.

Announcements

Sr. Servants will hold their monthly potluck dinner on Friday, April 8, 6:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign-up in the east foyer.

Family Circle #5 (Joyce, Pate, Scott): Will have a fellowship after the morning service on Sunday, April 10, at the President's Dining Room at Faulkner University Cafeteria. Make your plans to attend.

A Baby Boy Shower will be held for **Craig and Tabitha Loar** on Sunday, April 10, 3:30-4:30, in the Fireplace Room. They are registered at Target. If you would like to participate in the group gift, please contact Doris Pace.

Family Circle #7 (Bills, Brenneman, Willis): Will have a fellowship after the evening service on Sunday, April 10, in the Fellowship Hall. Your Family Circle Leaders and Co-Leaders will have details soon.

The UCC Ladies' Book Club will meet on Friday, April 15, at 6:30pm, at the home of Veronica Ours. They will be discussing "Then Sings My Soul" by Amy Sorrells. Please bring a finger food. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Please let Veronica Ours or Missy Jones know if you will be attending.

Family Circles #1 and #2 will host the College Students for lunch on Sunday, April 17, in the Fellowship Hall. Your Family Leaders and Co-Leaders will have more details soon.

A Bridal Tea honoring **Courtney Campbell, bride-elect of Taylor Bell**, will be held on Sunday, April 17, 1:30-3:00pm at the home of Nancy Itson (259 Bellehurst Dr.). They are registered at Target and Bed, Bath & Beyond. See Doris Pace if you like to participate in a group gift.

A Baby Girl Shower will be held for **Susan and Bart Shelton** on Sunday, April 17, 3:00-4:30 p.m. in the Fireplace Room. They are the proud parents of Lillah who was born February 29. The nursery colors are light pink, light gray, and white. They are registered at Target. Please see Doris Pace if you would like to participate in the group gift.

Alabama Christian Academy has the following faculty positions available at this time: Math 6-12; Social Studies 6-12; Science 6-12; Bible 6-12; Phys. Ed. 6-12. Descriptions are on the bulletin board in the west foyer. You may go to www.alabamachristian.com for details about each position and additional information.

Reminder: The new Wednesday Bible Study schedule will start this Wednesday, April 6. The new class schedule will be as follows: 5:30-6:00 and 6:30-7:15.