

## BIRTHDAYS

and

## ANNIVERSARIES

If you notice any omissions from this list,  
please notify Allie Piemonte!

### **April Birthdays:**

- ◆ Peggy Massey—29th

### **April Anniversaries:**

- ◆ David & Sharon Morckel—26th
- ◆ Tom & Karen Burg—29th
- ◆ Chris & Shari Schardt—30th

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ◆ May 14—Ladies’ Fellowship (see below)
- ◆ May 15—Congregational Baby Shower PM (see below)
- ◆ May 22—Graduate Recognition

### “Putting Our Ducks in a Row”

*Who:* All ladies & Girls

*When:* Saturday, May 14 @ 11:30

*Where:* Church Fellowship Room

*Please Bring:* A salad or a dessert

Sandwiches & drinks provided

*What:* Fellowship, fun & food

### CONGREGATIONAL BABY SHOWER

Join us for a congregational baby shower for Brain & Meghan Oberst on **Sunday, May 15** after PM services. Supper will be provided. The parents-to-be are expecting a baby girl and are registered at Buy-Buy Baby and Target.

### SYMPATHY EXTENDED

We extend our sympathy to **Rick & Rachel Bernard & family** in the death of Rachel’s mother, **Shirley Haesley**. Her funeral will be held later this month in Wisconsin.

|                                 | <b>SUNDAY AM</b><br><b>April 24, 2016</b>   | <b>SUNDAY AM</b><br><b>May 1, 2016</b>  |
|---------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Mark Hall   | Tom Norris  |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Tom Norris  | Tim Moore   |
| <b>Lord’s Table</b>             | Nate Swickard   | Rob Brandner  |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Keith Malone  | Mike Piemonte   |
| <b>Serving the Lord’s Table</b> | Thom Harbison<br>Tom Burg<br>Rob Brandner<br>Tim Moore<br>Carlos Rencher<br>Jason Clifton | Rob Lyons<br>Mason Lyons<br>Elwood Lewis<br>John Veltri<br>Dale Eppley, Jr.<br>Jonathan Charles |
| <b>Greeters</b>                 | Eddie/Adina   | Bob/Linda   |
| <b>Foyer Security</b>           | Rob L./Mason L.   | Nate S./Gabe S.   |
|                                 | <b>SUNDAY PM</b>  | <b>SUNDAY PM</b>  |
| <b>Song Leader</b>              | Jonathan Charles  | Fred Townsend   |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>           | Elwood Lewis  | Paul Lasseter   |
| <b>Lord’s Table</b>             | Mark Hall   | Mike Piemonte   |
| <b>Closing Prayer</b>           | Brian Oberst  | Chris Moore   |
| <b>Foyer Security</b>           | David Morckel   | Mark Hall   |

|                       | <b>WEDNESDAY PM</b>   |                    |
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|                       | <b>April 27, 2016</b> | <b>May 4, 2016</b> |
| <b>Song Leader</b>    | Tom Norris            | Paul Lasseter      |
| <b>Invitation</b>     | Jonathan Charles      | Brian Oberst       |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b> | David Morckel         | Nate Swickard      |
| <b>Foyer Security</b> | Mark Hall             | Bob Willison       |

**April 24, 2016**

### **DO I BELONG TO CHRIST?**

*Guest Editorial—John Gipson*

I suppose most of us would answer in the affirmative. Of course we belong to Him! We have faith in Him; we have made the good confession; we have experienced a godly sorrow for our sins, and have done an about-face in how we live; and, we have been baptized into Christ. Doesn’t that prove we belong to Christ? How much more orthodox could we possibly become?

It is regrettable that we sometimes have Bible amnesia. We read a verse and quickly pass over it. The language is clear and plain, but then “it flies forgotten as a dream dies at the opening day.”

Consider, for example, “*Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him*” (Romans 8:9). This verse is in plain, readable English, and has been there for centuries. We read it presumably, but quickly pass on, and let it become a great forgotten text. And yet this is a determinative test. Do I have the Spirit of Christ? If not, I don’t belong to Christ! Is my life controlled by Christ? Or do I serve my own interest and desires? Do I have a mind of my own, or do I have the mind of Christ? That’s the real test, isn’t it?

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## Welcome to our worship service.

If you are visiting with us today, we want you to know that you are our honored guest. Please take a moment to fill out an **Attendance Card** which you will find in the seat back ahead of you. Pass the card to the end of the row where our ushers will pick it up or you may drop it in the collection plate later during the service today. At the close of services, we hope that you will stay a few minutes to allow us to get acquainted and visit with you a while. If you would like to know more about the church of Christ or this local congregation, one of our elders or the minister will be happy to talk with you. Please feel free to pick up an informational packet about this congregation from the wall rack in the foyer.

*“If you faint in the day of adversity,  
your strength is small.”*

*(Proverbs 24:10)*

**FOR THE  
RECORD:  
April 17, 2016**



|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Sunday Bible Classes    | 75        |
| Sunday Morning Worship  | 103       |
| Sunday Evening Worship  | 51        |
| Wednesday Bible Classes | 59        |
| Contribution            | \$3559.00 |
| Budget                  | \$3084.00 |

### DO I BELONG TO CHRIST? (cont.)

There are some solemn words we need to take into account. *“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to Me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I Never knew you; depart from Me, you evildoers’”* (Matthew 7:21-23). Saying “Lord, Lord,” doesn’t count for much if we are not doing the will of God as Jesus did.

If I really have the Spirit of Christ, it has a way of manifesting itself in love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22-23). The apostle Paul forcefully reminds us, *“Only those people who are led by God’s Spirit are His children”* (Romans 8:14). So I ask myself again, “Do I belong to Christ?”

### ELDER IN CHARGE THIS MONTH

*Randy Cass  
(Next Month—Brian Daniels)*

### OUTREACH MINISTRY/CLASS

The Outreach Ministry/Class is now meeting each Wednesday evening at 7:00 in the conference room.

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**(ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES)** *Mae Campbell, Roger Christman, Rhonda DeAlvarez, Sharlon Golden, James Kiser, Violet Morrison, Ruby Rich, Patty Rose, Kenny Starr, Libby Toliver, Perry Wilkes, Lola Wilson.*

**Nancy Booth** (mother of Sharon Morckel) is undergoing treatment for some diabetic issues.

**Carol Budd** (daughter of Rita Johnson) is recuperating from surgery she underwent on April 14.

**Diana Ciccotelli** (aunt of Trisha Swickard) has been placed under care of Hospice.

**Marlene Drennen** is dealing with various health issues.

**Jolie Gordon** (friend of Shari Schardt) has been diagnosed with leukemia and is undergoing chemotherapy.

**Aaron & Kristen Haddon** (nephew and niece of Paul & Lisa Lasseter) are expecting a child (boy) and have learned that he has a heart defect. They will be seeing a cardiologist for a definitive diagnosis.

**Arthur Huggins** (father of Linda Veltri) has been in the hospital due to COPD and fluid around his heart.

**Bob McPherson** (father of Linda Townsend—father-in-law of Gail McPherson) is dealing with health issues and is not doing well.

**Violet Morrison** is recuperating from pacemaker surgery.

**Allison Piemonte** is dealing with health issues.

**Alice Turley** (97 year old aunt of Diana Lewis) has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

### *God’s Precious Promises*

#### **When I am tempted...**

*“There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it”* (I Corinthians 10:13).

#### **When I have sinned...**

*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”* (I John 1:9)

#### **When I am lonely...**

*“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; If any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me”* (Revelation 3:20).

#### **When I am afraid...**

*“Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness”* (Isaiah 41:10).

#### **When I need guidance...**

*“In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct thy paths”* (Proverbs 3:6).

#### **When I need wisdom...**

*“If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him”* (James 1:5).

#### **When I fear death...**

*“...I am the resurrection, and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die...”* (John 11:25-26).