



Birthdays

Tracy Revland 12/29
Eric Wilson 12/31
Brooke Jones 1/3

Anniversaries

Rick and Penney Johnson 12/28
Joe & Cindy Price 1/1

January Assignments

Welcome/Prayer: Harold Achimon

Song Leader: Jim Barnes

Scripture Reading: Quint Westfall
Mark 2:13-17

Lord's Table:

Bread Prayer – Terry Butler
Fruit of the Vine Prayer – Ricky Patterson
Contribution Prayer – Scott Sides

Closing Prayer: Justin Patterson



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¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 29:18-20

TO:

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TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Class: 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening 6:00 pm
Wednesday pm 7:00 pm

Are We Distracted?

It feels like there are so many things clamoring for our attention. Things like demands from work, the family schedule, end of the year preparations and seasonal shopping. On top of all that the media outlets are cascading with headlines about the election, fraud, spies, Corona, masks, infringement of rights, political unrest, persecution in Nigeria. On and on and on. All of it is the most important and all of it has to be dealt with now. It is no wonder why anxiety is the most common mental disorder in the United States. It affects 40 million Americans. That's 18% of the population. Even before the onset of Covid-19 and all the fear and regulations that came with it, these statistics were on the rise. For youth, they are not struggling with the unholy three—drugs, sex, and rock-n-roll. These will never be completely gone for an age group growing into independence. Their biggest struggles now are anxiety, depression and other mental health issues. So, what do we do with the distractions that lead us into distress and distrust?

We need to regain focus and clarity about what is really happening. We need to lift our heads and see beyond the cloud of competing information and the sources that demand our attention to the true source. Go to the Scriptures and find the verses that help you keep perspective. One such verse is found in the book of Colossians. "Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory" ([Col. 3:1-4](#)).

This passage speaks to those who have been "raised up"—a reference to baptism ([Rom. 6:3-5](#)). "Keep seeking"—don't stop looking up and maintain our focus. "Set your mind on the things above"—a reminder that our thinking can get hijacked by the cares of this life. Set the dial, preprogram your mind to be focused on heavenly things. "For you have died"—I am not my own. My life is now in Christ and He is my life ([Gal. 2:20](#)). "When Christ is revealed"—not if, then we will be with Him in glory. Something to look forward to. This life with its cares and concerns is not the end. It's not heaven. This life isn't the reward. The rest of the chapter goes on to speak about an ordered life clothed in Christ.

Look to the Scriptures and find the passages that help you maintain focus. When we lose focus, it is easy for us to succumb to the distractions and wander off the path that is laid out before us. With prayer and the help of our brothers and sisters we need to keep ourselves from the distractions.

~[Josh Blackmer](#)

Prayer List

Juvean Snell went to the doctor and it was decided to wait for the surgery until the cases of COVID come down.

Wade Kennedy Continues to take a heavy dose of chemo. Pray for him.

Rosina Magana, mother of Julita Huddleston, fell and fractured her pelvis. She will start rehab in about 2 weeks.

Brian Vannoy, Martha Beaver’s son, had a defibulator put on December 28th. Pray it will be successful and for his quick recovery.

Dorothy Jones is now at home. Please send all correspondence to her home address: 4864 West Line Rd., Whitesboro, TX 76240. Her phone number is (972) 679-7847.

Dalton Williams, member of our community is in ICU with COVID 19.

Brandy Black Moravec, friend of Patty Roberts, lost her oldest son on the 29th. Please pray for her and her family.

Prayer list continued

Those to continue to remember in Prayer:		
Sylvia Goodman	Lila Beth Davis	Rebecca Denton
Linda Fry	Shirley Walker	Elizabeth Fry
Melba Welch	Alex Johnson	J.D. Pruitt
Rosina Magaña	Shelby Ansley	Terry Butler
Bobbie Caruthers	Bill Schindler	Chad Ettelbtick
Kristin Ettelbtick	Robbie Davis	Charlene King
Carter Rosard	Kelsey Rogers	Bob Rushing
Rajonia Carnley	Cavender Family	Linda Clark
Lainey Garner	Dallas Parker	Lois Petty
Alicia Tracy	Cody Higgins	Billy Don Smith
Wade Kennedy	Ladonna Jones	Keith Welch
Justin Achimon	Betty Graham	Adell Thomson
Ricky and Penney Johnson		Marjory Grady
Todd Spencer	Jason Achimon	John Wolf
Chase Reed	Lambert Family	Cindy Schindler
Dan Fallon	Tommy Blackburn	Cindy Price
Ann Beavert	Tammy Sides	Jeff Thompson
Chase Reed	Tiffany Brothers	Eddie Baker
Casey Jones Family	Stephen Fields	

Military		
J. R. Lance	Matt Frizzell	Zack Turpen
Chad Lorenz	Trea Baker	Matt Upton
Logan Nielsen	Seth Rodriguez	Brock Murray
Madalyn Baker	Garrett Brewer	Hunter Brewer

Continuation of Prayer list:

Don Graham passed away November 22nd. Please pray for Betty and the family.

Laurie Davenport’s young niece, **Dallas Jane**, had her thyroid removed on Monday. Pray for her full recovery.

Ann Beavert has been having issues being very shakey. Please pray for Ann to help find out for sure what is causing her struggles.

Mimi Tate, Tammy’s mom, had knee surgery Wednesday, December 9th. Outcome of surgery was a success. She still needs several weeks of recovery time.

Rod Tate, Tammy’s Dad, has double pneumonia and is being treated at home. Please pray for him.

Jay & Kim Phillips, Scott’s sister and brother-in-law both have COVID. Please pray for both of them.

Charlene King has been placed under hospice care in her apartment.

Shelly and Bill Rubey, daughter and son-in-law of Betty Graham, both have COVID 19. Please pray for them.

We received a Christmas card from Brad and Jennifer Stone.



Thought for the day by David Sproule

Why is it that those closest to us are often the ones who can hurt us, irritate us and upset us the most? Maybe because we spend more time with them, maybe because they know us best, maybe because we have higher expectations, maybe for no good reason at all. What can we do when those we are closest to annoy us? Perhaps ask a series of questions.

First, is it me? Maybe the problem is not with them. Maybe it’s with me. Spend time doing some introspection. Second, why am I being annoyed? Perhaps it’s not even that big of a deal, but I am making it a bigger deal. Maybe I need to make a change or lower an expectation. Third, how would I want them to respond to me if the situation was reversed? The Golden Rule needs to be applied in this situation ([Luke 6:31](#)). Fourth, what would Jesus do in this situation? Surely Jesus has been annoyed with me. How would He respond right now ([1 Cor. 11:1](#))? Christian love “is patient and kind...is not irritable...endures all things” ([1 Cor. 13:4-7](#)). Is that me?

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 3rd - 9:30 AM Bible classes resume
10:30 AM Worship inside the building. For those homebound or with weakened immune systems please go to: www.collinsvillecofc.org and click on “view live” on Facebook.com/CollinsvilleChurchofChrist.

Sunday, January 3rd - 6:00 PM Worship will be at the church building and Facebook.

Monday, January 4th - Zoom classes will begin at the first of the year.

Tuesdays - Ladies Bible Class will resume at the first of the year.

Wednesday, January 6th - 7:00 PM class will be at the church as well as on Facebook on “The Story of the Bible in Romans”.

**** Please note:** The church offices are closed for next two weeks due to Christmas and New Year.

Vital Statistics

Sunday Morning Bible.....	52
Sunday Morning Assembly.....	60
Online viewership	164
Sunday Evening Assembly.....	21
Sunday Evening Online Viewership	107
Wednesday Evening Assembly	25
Wednesday Evening Online Viewership	145
Weekly Budget.....	\$4,643
Contribution Last Sunday.....	\$7,852

Sunday Sermon Titles

Sunday AM: “A Look At John Series”
Lesson 15
“Jesus, The Water of Life and the Light of the World”
John 7 & 8

Sunday PM: “Who Is Wise? ”
James 3:13-17

Bible Class Opportunities

All Bible classes, Sunday morning, Sunday evening services and Wednesday evening services in the building.

We have provided online class lessons for our children. These are in continuation of our in - person classes so the children do not miss anything during this time.

Simply go to our website: www.collinsvillecofc.org and look for Bible Classes. Pick the one you are looking for and download that week’s lesson.

4 and 5 year old’s
3rd, 4th and 5th grade
Teens



The Food Pantry is open to our community bi-weekly.
We are open from 7:30 am-10:00 on Monday, January 11th and January 18th. If you know of anyone in our community who is in need during the meantime, please have them contact the church at 903-429-6313.