

Birthdays

Cindy Price 12/22 George (Chico) Light, Jr. 12/23

Anniversaries

Eric and Kari Wilson 12/21

December Assignments

Welcome/Prayer: Justin Patterson

Song Leader: Ricky Patterson

Scripture Reading: Harold Achimon

Isaiah 53:1-9

Lord's Table:

Bread Prayer – Carl Lucas Fruit of the Vine Prayer – Tracy Beaty Contribution Prayer – Jim Barnes

Closing Prayer: David Davenport



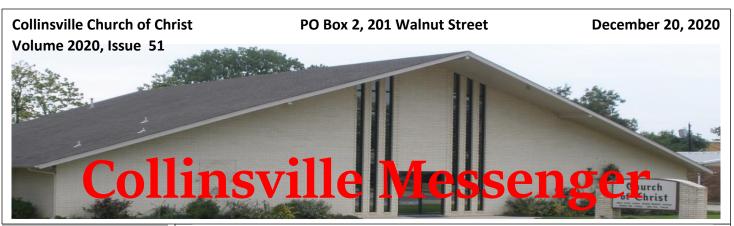
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18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them 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:

Be sure to tune in to "Let the Bible Speak" Sundays 6:30 am on KTEN NBC 10 and 9:30 am KTEN ABC 9.



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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

Thankfully God Doesn't Wait Until the End of the Year

There seems to be something almost magical about the end of one year and the beginning of a new year. It is so magical that many folks often make "New Year's Resolutions"—this is going to be the time that I start something new, or this is going to be the time that I stop that particular habit. And so, we wait. Something that we ought to be doing "today" is put off until that future day when the year changes. Or, with a year like this one, we put our hopes in the major difference that leaving one year and entering another year will supposedly bring.

But, what is the big deal about the first day of January? Why is that "the day" that seems to be the difference-maker? If there is something that is worth doing and will make a significant difference in our lives, why wait for another day beyond TODAY? Or, if there is something that is detrimental to my life and needs to be discontinued to get on a better path, why wait for another day beyond TODAY?

Aren't you glad that God doesn't wait for New Year's Day? In the Old Testament, the Jews celebrated the Day of Atonement once every year. On that one day every year, the high priest would enter into the Most Holy Place with the blood of a bull and then he would lay his hands on the scapegoat, and the sins of the people would be remembered and then sent away into the wilderness on that day every year (Heb. 10:3; 9:7; Lev. 16:1-34). Not so today! An alien sinner's sins are removed at the point of baptism (Acts 2:38; 22:16), never to be remembered again (Heb. 8:12). A child of God's sins are removed continually during his faithful walk and confession of sins (1 John 1:7, 9), never to be remembered again (Heb. 10:17). God doesn't wait until a "move convenient season" to forgive! He forgives immediately! "The Lord is not slack" (2 Pet. 3:9)! If God doesn't wait, why do you? So, if there is something that you need to change in your life, in order to be right with God, don't wait until New Year's Day. Don't wait until you "get everything worked out." Don't wait until a more convenient season (Acts 24:25). Don't wait!

God told Ananias to say to Saul, "Why are you waiting?" (Acts 22:16). God told Paul to say to the Corinthians, "Behold, now is the accepted time" (2 Cor. 6:2). God told the Hebrew writer to quote from Psalm 95:7 three times, emphasizing the word "Today" five times (Heb. 3:7, 13, 15; 4:7). If something is the "right" thing to do, then it is right to do it "right now"! With God, every day is a "new day" (cf. Lam. 3:23). Make TODAY (not some day in the future) THE DAY that you take the necessary steps to get right with God!

~David Sproule

Prayer List

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

James Jones passed away November 18th from COVID. Please pray for Dorothy and family.

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

Adell Thomson had basal cell carcinoma removed from her nose. Continue to pray for her.

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 went to the Doctor and needs a heart catheterization. It is scheduled for December 17th. Pray for 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.

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 Billy Don Smith Alicia Tracy Cody Higgins Randall Butler Wade Kennedy Ladonna Jones Ricky and Penney Johnson Marjory Grady Todd Spencer Ann Butler Jason Achimon Chase Reed Lambert Family Cindy Schindler Tommy Blackburn Cindy Price Dan Fallon Ann Beavert Tammy Sides Jeff Thompson Chase Reed Tiffany Brothers John Wolf Casey Jones Family Keith Welch Eddie Baker Justin Achimon Betty Graham

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. Stephen Fields, friend of Lisa Renzelman, was involved in a hit and run wreck in Whitesboro on December 5th. He is in very serious condition and Lisa is asking for our prayers for his recovery.

Ann Beavert has been having issues being very shakey. The doctor thinks it could be related to her kidney and feels she may need to begin dialisis eventually. She fell last Sunday. 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. Charlene King has been placed under hospice care in her apartment.

Ronna Payne, (Lila Beth Davis daughters) sister-in-law passed away. The funeral was Saturday, December 5th. Jamie's Dad, who has dementia, was located and was returned home safely.



Season's Greetings from the Harrub Family

We received a Christmas card from Mike who is with the Disaster Assistance Mission in Lake Jackson, Texas.

"Dear Church of Christ,
The Keen & Bull family greatly appreciate
everything you all have done. No words can
express the thanks and love we have for you.
Thank you again from the bottom of our
hearts!!!

Jennifer, Shawn & Tony Keen and Joy Bull

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 20th - 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, December 20th **6:00 PM Worship** will be at the church building and Facebook.

Monday, December 21st - Zoom classes will begin at the first of the year.

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

Wednesday, December 23rd - 7:00 PM class will be at the church as well as on Facebook on "The Story of the Bible in John".

Friday, December 25th – Christmas Day

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



Vital Statistics

| Sunday Morning Assembly | 74 |
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| Online viewership | 201 |
| Sunday Evening Online Viewership | 177 |
| Wednesday Evening Online Viewership | 156 |
| Weekly Budget | \$4,643 |
| Contribution Last Sunday | \$4,832 |



Sunday Sermon Titles

Sunday AM: "A Look At John Series"
Lesson 13
"Jesus, The Great Physician"
John 5

Sunday PM: "The Sins of Jerusalem and Our Sins" Zephaniah 3:2

Bible Class Opportunities

All Bible classes, Sunday morning, Sunday evening services and Wednesday evening services in the building will resume as of Sunday, December 20, 2020

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 while out 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. Open from 7:30 am-10:00 on Monday, December 28th. 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.

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Ryan & Carin Patterson have a new mailing address: PO Box 889, Collinsville, TX 76233