

Wildwood Church of Christ

114 Cleveland Ave. Wildwood, FL. 34785

church website: www.hischurch.faith wifi password: John3:16

Sunday: Bible Class – 9:30a.m. Worship – 10:30a.m. Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30p.m.

TLC(Tuesday Ladies Care) – Every Tuesday 9:30a.m. in Fellowship Hall

2024 Theme: “Going Forward, Growing Deeper, Getting Closer”

May 5, 2024

Song #196 Blessed Be The Name

Song #142 Worthy Art Thou

Prayer – Brian Burkert

Pass Communion

Song #133 I Stand Amazed

Lord’s Supper – Tony Clay

Bob Farner Joe Marshall

Reggie Colton Sam Blankenship

Song #541 Blessed Assurance

Sermon – When God Makes a Promise

Song #888 Have You Been To Jesus

Song #398 The Way Of The Cross

Closing Prayer – Tommy Marshall

The Two Who Never Gave Up

A woman fell on the stone stairway of the police station in Boston and was severely injured. She was taken to the hospital and examined by a doctor who said to the nurse: “She will not live more than a day.” After the nurses had attended to her for a few hours, the woman told her story.

I have traveled from California, stopping at every city of importance between San Francisco and Boston, visiting two places always – the police station and the hospital. My boy went away from me and did not tell me where he was going, so I have sold all my property and made this journey to seek him out. Some day he may be in a police station or he may come into this hospital and if he does, tell him that there were two who never gave him up.

Evening came and the doctor told the nurse: “It is now but a question of minutes.” The nurse bent over and said: “Tell me the names of the two that never gave up and I will tell your son if I see him.” With tears in her eyes she replied: “Tell him that the two were God and his mother.” Moments later, she died.

Human analogies are limited in their usefulness to explain God. If we compare God to a father or a mother, those analogies may not work well for someone who had a terrible father or mother. In other cases, human analogies are highly useful. Imagine that great seeking love of that mother who traveled the length of the country to try to find her son. Think of the shepherd who goes out in search of the one lost sheep (Luke 15:4-7). Think of the hen who gathers her brood under her wings (Matthew 23:37). Think of the father who watches daily for the return of a wayward son (Luke 15:11-32). Think of the husband who takes his unfaithful wife back into his home (Hosea). Truly the seeking, searching love of God is beyond measure: “I am convinced that neither death, nor life, not angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Romans 8:39).

Joel Williams

PRAYER LIST

- ~ Continue to remember **Tina Lipps** as she continues to struggle with her health issues from her cancer.
- ~ **Myrna Human** made her move safely to South Carolina and is settling in. Her address is on the bulletin board in the foyer.
- ~ **Martha Rushmore** is doing well after her out-patient surgery to replace a stimulator implant in her lower back.
- ~ **Pat Ponsford** is not doing well and is very weak. She enjoys visits, call and cards.
- ~ **Wayne & Joyce Freeman** have moved into Somerset Assisted Living. Assisted Living, 2450 Dora Ave., Room #17, Tavares, FL 32778. Joyce's cell phone # is: (352) 552-0255. They would love to get cards & calls and most especially visits.
- ~ **Bellamy Krew Hileman**, is doing very well after his accident and surgery on his hand and is improving everyday. We praise God for his wonderful care.
- ~ **Harrison Leff**, our son Aaron's friend who lived in Mobile, Alabama, passed away last Sunday. David and Sarah went to Mobile for the funeral. David will be home later this evening.
- ~ **Kellie Ward**, our son Ryan's mother-in-law, is not doing well at all. Her cancer is spreading and starting to affect her liver and possibly other organs. Sarah is staying up in Milton to help Ryan and Ashley so they can care for Kellie.
- ~ Our prayers go out to **Darrel Ponsford's niece**. Her baby was born but only lived for just under an hour.

Remember: Basile Summers, Peggy Murphy, Alice Wayne, Ken & Sherry Scott, Janet Hyder & family, Pat Ponsford, Charles & Mary Jane Wright, Jack Kyle, Patricia Webber, David Addington, Steve Hutspiller, Lana Vernon, family of Ricky Baker and Tara Strickland, John & Loraine da Silva, Lottie Colton, Ron & Carol Rollins, Shirley Threet, John & Leigh Workman, Jeanette Harris, Taylor Williams & family, Millie Tudor, Donna Rogers, Jim & Sue Allison, Janet Jones, Teresa Broyles, Bill Cefaloni, Tim Sigler, Kathy Cefaloni, Kacey Terry, Cody Grissom, Sister Dorothy Colton, Al Alvarez, Fred Casteel, Alex Bowers, Amanda George, Mollie Holley, Guy Grove, Julie Welch, Tony Terry, Kellie Ward, Bryan Noland, Marty Glenn, Kellie Ward

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ~ **Our May Monthly Pot-Luck Fellowship:** Since Mother's Day is the second Sunday of the month, we will have our fellowship on Sunday, May 19th after morning worship.
- ~ **Graduating Senior:** During our fellowship on May 19th, we will also be honoring our senior graduating from high school, Sarah Glisson. This is Florence Burwell's daughter, Marlin Kilpatrick's granddaughter. As is our tradition, if you would like to give a graduation gift of money or a card, there will be a money tree set up that day for Sarah.
- ~ **The Pounding:** If you were not able to bring something for the Pounding for Tony and Mary, you can still bring it anytime until next Sunday. If you prefer, you can give them a gift card or money to help them set up housekeeping.
- ~ **Young Adults & Teens Class:** Every Sunday and Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall. The theme: "Common Sense Christianity" and "The Joy of Being a Christian". Tony Clay, our new Associate Minister is very excited to begin these classes and hopes our young adults are as well!
- ~ **Please let Sarah Myers** know if you are not receiving the auto calls and you want to be put on the calling list. Also, let Sarah know if your birthday or anniversary is not listed in the bulletin.
- ~ **FYI** – Our bulletin is posted on our website every week. (www.hischurch.faith – it's always on the top, front of our bulletin) This is a great resource for current information. We try our best to keep everyone up to date with what is going on in our wonderful congregation! 😊

May Birthdays: Leigh Workman-10, Aly Blankenship-15, Taylor Williams-22, Joyce Prather-23, Chris Hallmark-26, Sam Costa-26, Cindy Pope-30, Debbie Bunch-31, Derek Fort-31

May Anniversaries: Chuck & Charity Stambaugh – 2, David & Sarah Myers – 27

Nursery Class: **May 5**-Lynzi Jones **May 12**-Kelley Whited **May 19**-Destiny Green

Greeters: **May 5**-Reida Glenn & Esther Adcock **May 12**-Cheryl Botts & Barbara Howlett **May 19**-Judy Glenn & Judy Kyle

Communion Preparation: **May** – Joyce Yarborough & Dawn Binkley

Security: **May 5 & 8**-Jim Routzahn **May 12 & 15** – Keith Jones **May 19 & 22** – Howard Alls **Lock-Up:** **May** – Tony Clay