

Wildwood Church of Christ

Theme for 2021

Step By Step: Grow With Jesus

September 19, 2021

Welcome & Announcements

Song #321 I Will Call Upon The Lord
Song #43 As The Deer
Prayer
Song #317 Tell Me The Story of Jesus
The Lord's Supper

Song #12 How Great Is Our God
Sermon
Song #570 I Have Decided To Follow Jesus
Song #5 Step By Step
Closing Prayer

Our Daily Devotions

"But I will sing of Your strength in the morning. I will sing of Your love." Psalm 59:16
"When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives." Matthew 26:30

Hymns have always been important in Christian worship. Paul and Silas sang hymns when they were in jail – Acts 16:25. Revelation tells us that the song of Moses (Deuteronomy 32) will be sung with a new song (Revelation 15:3-4) at the end of time. We are exhorted throughout the Psalms to sing. "Sing joyfully to the Lord you righteous." David writes, "it is fitting for the upright to praise Him" – Psalm 33:1.

Hymns have the power to lift our minds and spirits (attitudes of the heart) toward God when we gather to worship Him. Do you ever find yourself losing interest with your daily devotions? Your hymnal contains a wealth of material that can lead you into worship. Your hymnal can be an important tool for private worship. Paul tells believers that lived in Ephesus to "sing and make music (melody) in your heart to the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19) He also encouraged the brethren in Colossians 3:16 to "let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." Using a hymnal in private devotions can help believers apply the above passages and enrich their times with God. One amazing benefit of singing songs in our private worship to God is that songs are easily memorized and they will stay with us and can continue to remind us of the truth we encountered during our private devotions. Hymns also help to remind us of the importance of praise and adoration when we approach God with our singing. Psalm 100:2 says, "serve the Lord with gladness, come before Him with joyful songs." This Psalm should remind us of the beautiful hymn written by Edward Perronet, "All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all."

Many of the hymns we sing today in worship sharpen our focus on God and His Son, Jesus Christ, to help us move forward in love and service and our daily devotions to Him.

Prayer List

- ~ Continue to remember **Judy Glenn** and her family in the passing of her sister last week.
- ~ **Cherri Gould** is doing well and is back at work after having a heart cath and stent put in.
- ~ **Leigh and John Workman** are slowly getting better and a little stronger. They need our continual prayers.
- ~ **Lewis and Martha Rushmore's grandson, Kawika Rushmore**, has 5 broken ribs and a broken collar bone. He is in the hospital with infection around lesions on his lungs and he will possibly have to have surgery.
- ~ **Jack and Judy Kyle's granddaughter, Bethany**, had a very serious car accident a week and a half ago, resulting in: a broken collar bone, lungs deflated, spleen, liver and other internal organs damaged, large intestine torn, right arm broken and pelvis broken. She has had surgery and is doing some better.
- ~ **The friends and family members of Sam and Mary Costa** that had Covid are all getting better and are home from the hospital.
- ~ **Remember John and Joyce Yarborough** in the loss of 2 family members just recently.
- ~ **Ruth and Everett Sams** are still recovering from Covid and Everett is finally home from the hospital.

Remember: Marlin Kilpatrick; Martha Pope; John & Loraine DaSilva; Martha Pope; Taylor Williams and family; Sheila Bernstein and family; the family of Martha Polk; Jeanette Harris; Edra Nell Courtney; Linda Grove; Millie Tudor; Charlotte Martin; Ken Scott; Richard Menninger; Joyce Albert; Larry Hyder; Joyce Freeman; Fred Casteel; Teresa Broyles; Dale Dean

Announcements

Our hearts rejoice with the two that came forward last Sunday. **Sister Wilma Williams** came forward to be restored to the Lord. She has been a Christian for about 9 years but has not been faithful. She asks for forgiveness and wants to place her membership with the Wildwood congregation. Her husband, **Clarence (Andre) Williams** also came forward and was baptized into Christ. What a day of rejoicing! Let us all welcome these precious Christians into the family of God at Wildwood. Their address is: 4037 NW Blitchton Road, #82A, Ocala, FL. 34475 Ph#: (352) 512-9332

Men: Please take note that we will be starting our "**Order of Worship**" list back up again and we hope to have one ready for October. If you have not signed up yet but would like to help, there is another sign-up list in the foyer. There are several opportunities to serve.

Thank You: There is a thank you note on the bulletin board from the family of Marth Polk. They are so very thankful for all the love and kindness shown to them and for the love we had for our dear sister Martha.

Chicken Suppers: are starting back at Mount Dora Christian Academy. The first one will be this coming Friday, September 24th from 4:00 to 7:00p.m. Covid precautions will be in place and they are also offering take-out. Check the bulletin board in the foyer for details. What a great way to help support the school.

September Birthdays

John DaSilva-1; Terry Bunch-3; Lois Hutsenpiller-4; Colton McKay-7; Reva Thayer-7; Libbie Summers-11; Shelbie Hileman-12; Michael Hartman I-13; Howard Alls-17; Sheila Johnston-18; Ila Jean Locke-18; Charlotte Martin-21; Dawn Binkley-23; David Addington-24; Kelley Whited-25; Dale Jones-26; Kathryn Hartman-28; Cherrie Gould-29; Alice Wayne-30

September Anniversaries

John & Loraine DaSilva-1; Bud & Hattie Byers-2; Terry Bunch-3; Derek & Sydni Fort-7; Jim & Linda Routzahn-16; Greg & Cindy Pope-27

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