

Worship Assignments	8/13	8/20	8/27
Monthly Communion Prep	Dorris	Dorris	Dorris
Sunday AM			
Take Satellite Communion	Buck D.	Buck D.	Kenny C.
Welcome & Announcements	Doug R.	Doug R.	Doug R.
Song Leader	Will B.	Fred G.	Stacy M.
Opening Prayer	Johnny J.	Rodney B.	Robert F.
Scripture Reading	Hayden H.	Will B.	Stanford C.
Lesson	Jeff B.	Jeff B.	Jeff B.
Lord's Supper	Cal H.	Delbert M.	Greg E.
Lord's Supper	Justin J.	Jack S.	Ike F.
Lord's Supper	Stacy M.	John B.	Joel F.
Lord's Supper	Caleb M.	Kenny C.	Fred G.
Closing Prayer	Brad K.	Camden D.	Mike G.
Sunday PM			
Announcements	Buck D.	Buck D.	Buck D.
Opening Prayer	Bill P.	Caleb M.	Camden D.
Song Leader	Will B.	Stacy M.	Kenny C.
Lesson	Jeff B.	Jeff B.	Jeff B.
Closing Prayer	Stacy M.	Kenny C.	Bill P.
Wednesday			
Announcements			
Opening Prayer	Buck D.	Buck D.	Buck D.
Song Leader	Stacy M.	Will B.	Brad K.
Devotional	Jeff B.	Jeff B.	Jeff B.
Closing Prayer	Doug R.	Brad K.	Stacy M.

**Kindly let Buck D. or Kenny C. know if you are unable to serve.



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Times of Service

Sunday

9:30 am - Bible Class 10:30 am - Morning Worship
6:00 pm - Evening Worship

Wednesday

7:00 - Devotional followed by Bible classes for all ages

Elders

Buck Dollar (806) 255-0268 Stacy McCasland (806) 886-4000

Deacons

Rodney Bass Jeff Blackmon Kenny Corse
Robert Ford Cal Holwick Brad Koepke
Caleb McConnell Doug Rives

Minister - Jeff Blackmon - (940) 585-8720

If you are a visitor today, our hope is that you will find joy in worshipping God together with members of the Lord's church in Wheeler. Please let us take a minute to get to know you better and be sure to fill out a **visitor's card** for us. If you have been gone, **WE MISSED YOU** and want to encourage you to come back.

Today's Lesson

"Poor in Spirit"

Matthew 5:1-3

Announcements

Pray for our shut-ins, those in the care center (**Joyce Perkins, Valetta Frankenberry**, Georgia Ford) and hospital and many with health related situations: **Ken H., Delbert M., Mabel T., Mary E., Larry F., Doug R., Rodney B,'s sister, Tammy M.'s Mom** (Sue Gallagher), **Mabel T.'s grandson & brother-in-law**, Kevin Frankenberry, **Jeff B.'s Dad**.

Pray for **Greta B.'s Mom**, the **Crocket Family**, and the **upcoming school year**.

Be sure to fill up and return a **HPCH "Change for Children" can** by September 3.

Consider signing up to prepare the Lord's Supper for a month. The list is on the bulletin board in the foyer. If you have questions, talk with **Kenny C.**

The ladies meet @ **9:30 am** at **Mel's Diner** for coffee on the **1st** and **3rd Wed.** of the month. Talk with **Judy W.** about heading over to the Wheeler Care Center to do nails for the residents on the **2nd** and **4th Wed.** at the same time.

The **elders** of the congregation usually meet on the second Sunday of the month at 5 pm. The monthly **men's business meeting** immediately follows evening services.

If you would like a prayer request or other information listed in the bulletin, please give it to Kenny C.

Have you ever lost something that was very important to you? I'm sure at one time or another all of us have had this happen to us. If you ask my wife Angela, she'll tell you I lose my wallet and my keys on a daily basis! When I relocate those two things, the relief is substantial. Anyone else like this?

I remember catching an episode of the show "Mad About You" back in the early 1990s when the two main characters scour New York City looking for the husband's lost wedding ring. The husband in the show, Paul, remembered he was purchasing a hot dog from a New York street vendor and heard something splash into water. It wasn't until later he realized it was his ring dropping into the hot water creating the steam for the hot dogs in the vendor's cart. The two check with every street vendor they can find and eventually wind up in a warehouse full of nothing but hot dog carts being stored for the evening. Paul's wife Jamie keeps asking him, "Don't you just want to go get another ring? It's okay if we don't find it!" He finally replies, "I don't want another ring. I want the one you gave me on our wedding day. It's special to me."

Sure enough, he finds the ring shortly after saying that, laying in an empty hot dog cart.

That ring had value to Paul. It was priceless. Sometimes I wonder if we value the Word of God in the same way. We have become so used to seeing it everywhere in our country.

In 2 Chronicles 34-35, we read about Josiah, who came to be King of Israel at the age of eight. The Bible says in the early years of his reign he took great steps toward ridding Israel of its idolatry. When he was 26 he decided to purify the land and the temple. The Israelites had neglected the temple, and it needed repairs. After making these repairs Hilkiah the priest makes a discovery. Right in the middle of the temple is the "Book of the Law of the Lord given through Moses." The Israelites had turned so far away from God they didn't value His Word or even know where it was. Josiah was determined to change that.

We find out later in chapter 34 Josiah weeps bitterly and tears his robes, because he is distraught after reading the book. He finds out through a prophetess great destruction would come to the kingdom, because of its idolatry. Watch what God tells Josiah though:

***26** Tell the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, 'This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says concerning the words you heard: **27** Because your heart was responsive and you humbled yourself before God when you heard what he spoke against this place and its people, and because you humbled yourself before me and tore your robes and wept in my presence, I have heard you, declares the LORD. **28** Now I will gather you to your ancestors, and you will be buried in peace. Your eyes will not see all the disaster I am going to bring on this place and on those who live here.'"*

Later in verse 33 we find out just how committed Josiah was to God and His Word:

***33** Josiah removed all the detestable idols from all the territory belonging to the Israelites, and he had all who were present in Israel serve the LORD their God. As long as he lived, they did not fail to follow the LORD, the God of their ancestors.*

I like the part that says, "As long as he lived, they did not fail to follow the Lord ..."

Can the same be said about you? As long as you live are you going to follow the Lord? There is only one way to find out what he wants from you, and it is by reading his Word and following what it says. That is why it is so valuable, and we should treat it that way.

-Jeff

