

The Lemoore Caller

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Schedule of Services

a.m.

Sunday A.M. Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Sunday Bible Study.....9:30

Sunday P.M.

Worship.....5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Classes.....7:00 p

Listen to Learn and Learn to Listen

Scientists tell us that the outside of our ears catch up to 73,700 vibrations a second. If we were placed in a completely sound-proof environment, our ears are so finely tuned, that we could hear the blood coursing its way through our veins. And yet, for all the wonders of our God-given ability to hear, we still have great difficulty listening. As we all know, any healthy relationship is built around good communication. And good communication is the result of our desire to carefully listen to folks speaking to us, especially our spouses. The marriage relationship greatly suffers when one or both spouses stop listening. The so-called "generation gap" is the result of poor communication. Both sides may talk a lot about their problems, but if neither side listens, effective communication has not taken place. What about our relationship to God in all of this? Does it not thrive on healthy communication? Do we not grow spiritually when we speak to our heavenly Father in prayer and carefully listen to His will through the pages of His word? (Revelation 2:11). Regarding our listening capability, one preacher was heard to say, "It's so hard for us to listen to learn, if we haven't learned to listen "God recognizes our difficulty in listening when He encourages us to "be swift to hear" (James 1:19); to "take heed how you hear" (Luke 8:18); and instructs, "He who has an ear to hear, let him hear" (Revelation 2:7). After our Lord reminded His disciples of certain men whose "ears are hard of hearing" (Matthew 13:15), He commended his disciples by saying: "But blessed are your ears, for they hear" (Matthew 13:16). Brethren, let's be among those disciples who Jesus commended!

Lemoore Church of Christ

March 17, 2019

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Services:

Today: 9:30 Bible Classes
10:30 Morning Worship
5:00 Evening Worship
Wed. 7:00 Bible classes

Servants for March

Communion Prep/Greeter:

Craig & Donna Case

Men Leading Services for March 17:

Welcome/Call to Worship: Gary Curtis

Song Leader: Garth Radcliff

Opening Prayer: Richard Bullough

Prayer List: Gary Cole

Lord's Table: LEAD: Craig Case
Randy McCord
Rich Rhoads
Frank Baldwin

Scripture Reading: Taylor Radcliff

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Randy McCord

Alternates: Clofas Case, Herminio Gutierrez,
David Sander, Gary Rice

P.M. Song Leader: David Sander

Wednesday Night:

Songs: Garth Radcliff

Speaker: Craig Case

Announcements/Cl. Prayer: Gary Rice



Upcoming Events:

Mar. 17 Birthday Fellowship
Mar. 27 Bible Bowl – Sermon on The Mount
Mar. 29 Area Wide Singing - Here
April 5-6 Men's Retreat at YBC
April 7 Services at Valley Christian Home
April 8 Men's Business Meeting
April 28 Birthday Fellowship
May 29 5th Wednesday Singing-we host



Guest Speaker:

Tonight, Doug Tackett will be speaking to tell us more about the Crossover Ministry.



Area Wide Singing

- Friday evening March 29 will be the Area Wide Singing here in Lemoore. Please sign up to provide refreshments if you can



Birthday Fellowship:

We will have a good old-fashioned Potluck for our March Birthday Fellowship tonight at 6 p.m. following evening services. Alice Fall will be our hostess.



Men's Retreat:

Save the date: Men's Retreat at YBC April 5-6. The theme is "Excel as God's Man". Classes will be taught by Brandon Evans, Garrett Sander, Jovan Payes and Nick Westberg. Registration is online only. See Garrett if you need more information.



FYBC News

The plastic tub is available in the foyer for ribbon and Scrapbook paper. Another item will be chosen in a few weeks.



YBC Camp News

We have camp scholarships available for our kids. There is a list of items needed for the first camp in June. It is on the table in the foyer.



Random Bits of Information:

- Ladies Retreat will be hosted by Madera this year; the date has been set for October 4, 5 and 6.

*You will seek me and find
me when you seek me with
all your heart.
Jeremiah 29:13*



Prayer List

Sandy Curtis is home with a special vest to regulate her heart as needed

Doug Standridge is home now with a constant IV. He will be going back to SF for tests

Randell Watkins is home now on hospice care.

Debbie Souza/Betty Standridge as they travel between Sandy and Doug

The mother of Chandler, Taylor's friend, recovering from surgery.

Jerry Tyler, from West Visalia, fell off a ladder and broke his leg.

Lee Smith, Uncle of Donna Case, is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Elaine Robbins, adoptive mother of Lynda Martyn, has been placed on home hospice.

Rosa Gutierrez spent some time in the hospital due to seizures

Maria Concilion, Isabel Gutierrez' mom; recovering from a medical procedure.

Frances Aguirre Seeing a specialist for her back. She may need surgery.

Red Cooper diagnosed with shingles

Mike Virden is now in an apartment in San Francisco to remain close to Drs. there. Had a transfusion and is walking outside.

Lois Atchley, Sandra Case's grandmother, under hospice care.

Jack Otto's daughter, Robin, will be seeing a specialist regarding back surgery.

Becky and Glen Fraley, as Glen goes through the process of being placed on the kidney transplant list.

Hal Crain is having dialysis 3x a week.

Leon and Lois Collins, Wilma Cole's brother and family, for strength with daily issues and Leon was scheduled for a PET scan last Tuesday.

Lavita Hardison, Donna Case's sister, currently in a nursing home due to a stroke she had last May

Ron Cole, Gary Cole's son, still in pain from 1st surgery, 2nd surgery is on hold.

Casey Case, Jr., ongoing Oncology treatment.

Hannah Detlefsen, daughter of friends of Lisa Butts,

Dennis Thomas, nephew of Jeanne and Clotas Case, undergoing cancer treatment.

Jordan Willis deployment for the Navy

First Responders

Military and their families

Those traveling

Our Mission Work:

***Our Preachers in Nicaragua**

***Agape Village**

***Crossover Ministry**

***City of Children**

***Manuelito Children's Home**

***church of Christ Disaster Relief Fund**

***World Christian Broadcasting**

What God Hath Promised

God hath not promised
Skies always blue,
Flower strewn pathways,
All our lives through.
God has not promised
Sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
Peace without pain.

God hath not promised
We shall not know,
Toil and temptation,
Trouble and woe;
He hath not told us
We shall not bear,
Many a burden,
Many a care

God hath not promised
Smooth roads and wide,
Swift easy travel,
Needing no guide,
Never a mountain,
Rocky and steep,
Never a river,
Turbid and deep.

But God hath promised
Strength for the day,
Rest for the labor,
Light for the way,
Grace for the trial,
Help from above,
Unfailing sympathy,
Undying love.

Annie J. Flynn

FAR FROM USELESS

People were talking all week long about the great time everyone had at the Barnwell's farm Saturday night. Dillard and Molly MacIntosh had all the kids, teens, and adults laughing so hard their sides hurt. Someone said her husband had just purchased a beautiful new automatic dishwasher for her birthday in addition to a very nice dinner for two at her favorite restaurant. Molly said she had the oldest car in the neighborhood, the oldest clothes dryer, oldest refrigerator, and oldest dishwasher. Wait a second Dillard said. What do you mean you have the oldest dishwasher, I wash the dishes in case you forgot! Molly had that funny little smirk on her face when she said; "that proves my point, just like I said I have the oldest dishwasher in the neighborhood". Dillard laughed as hard as everyone else at Molly's quick wit before he said: well at least I am good or something and not useless like some old worn out appliance. Molly looked at Dillard with the usual affectionate smile she has for him and said; "no dear, you are far from useless. I don't know of anyone that is more diligent serving the Lord by serving others than you!"

Molly continued to speak. She said no one is useless, God has a plan for every one of us. Once we have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord we are not instructed to sit back and rejoice knowing we will be with the Lord for eternity in heaven but instead we are to serve the Lord with gladness so the world might see Christ in us. The Lord equips all His children with talents and gifts for serving Him, and we are to use them to the fullest if we really know and love Him.

Molly told us about a woman who suffered physically and mentally due to poor health to the point she was quite depressed, feeling totally useless. This woman apparently harbored resentment toward God. She envied people that were blessed with talents, gifts, and physical attributes she didn't have. When Dr. Malan from Switzerland was visiting her family, and asked her if she was saved, this young woman resented him for asking such a personal question and she was not bashful letting him know how she felt. A few days later she apologized to Dr. Malan, told him she was miserable and wanted to be saved but didn't know what she needed to do. Dr. Malan responded; "Why not come just as you are". His statement stuck in her mind and heart to the extent that after she accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, she sat down and wrote these words. Just as I am without one plea - But that thy blood was shed for me - And that thou bidd'st me come to thee - O lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am - These words written by Charlotte Elliot have been sung by countless millions around the world

Molly MacIntosh said she could not think of a better story that this one about Charlotte Elliot to illustrate how no child of God is useless. Regardless, it is just something you say to someone like Dr. Malan's words to Charlotte which inspired her to write one of the most sung hymns of the Christian faith, Just As I Am, a word of encouragement which we all appreciate, or washing dishes with a glad heart like her husband Dillard has been doing for years, all you have to do is be available. You might not know this side of heaven what impact you will have for the Lord but your reward will be great if you serve the Savior. Read 1 Peter: 4:10-11 - knowing the Lord is the best way to know how truly valuable you are!

1Peter 4:10-11

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.