

THE RIPLEY BEACON

FROM

THE RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

December 4, 2016



“Where the Gospel is Preached and People are Loved!”

Noah

In Romans 15:4, Paul stated to the church at Rome, “For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.” While the Old Testament is no longer the law under which we live (cf. Colossians 2:14), it does provide us with valuable insight in living a life that is pleasing to God.

Indeed the Bible is full of accounts of real people going through life, and these accounts were recorded to help us as we go through our lives. We get to read about people at their highest highs and their lowest lows. We read of those who are rejoicing and those who are weeping. We read of triumphs and of tragedies. We read of sin and separation; forgiveness and reunion.

As we think about individuals from whom we can learn much, one individual that comes to mind is Noah. When we think about Noah, many times we think about him in connection to a global flood. We consider the man who built the ark and brought the animals in by two’s. Unfortunately, many times, our depth of knowledge concerning this great man of God is rather shallow and superficial. Have you ever considered why Noah was chosen to build the ark? Why was he singled out among the people of his day? Why does the Bible record that he “found grace in the eyes of the Lord” (Genesis 6:8)?

I believe the answer to those questions can be seen as we examine his life and some of the character traits that he possessed. There were five things present in the life of Noah; five things that separated him from his contemporaries; five things that are worthy of our imitation. We will begin to notice those five things next week.

~ Justin

Elders:

Larry Carden
Steve Carmack
Joe Hunt
David Snell

Deacons:

Pat Carmack
Tommy Climer
Gwinn Matthews
Kenneth Roark

Minister:

Justin Paschall
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Service Times:

Sun. Bible Study-10 AM
Sun. Worship-11 AM
Sun. Night-5 PM
Wed. Night-7 PM

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“Come Worship with Us!”

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What Must I Do to Be Saved?

- Hear the Word of God – Rom. 10:17
- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God – Heb. 11:6; John 8:24
- Repent of your sins – Acts 17:30
- Confess Christ before men – Rom. 10:10; Matt. 10:32-33
- Be baptized for the remission of your sins – Acts 2:38; 1 Pet. 3:21
- Remain Faithful – Rev. 2:10

By The Numbers for November 27th

Attendance:

Sun. Bible Study – 86
Sun. AM Worship – 107
Sun. PM Worship – 69
Wed. Night (11/30) – 68

To Our Visitors:

We are so glad and honored that you chose to be with us today. If you have any questions please feel free to ask the elders or one of the members. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. Thanks for being with us, and we hope to see you again real soon!

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Those Privileged to Serve:

AM Bible Study:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Josh Carmack
Devotional – Rusty Kennedy

AM Service:

Usher – Barry Bates/Darrell Smothers
Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – David Snell
Audio/Visual – Josh Carmack
Opening Prayer – Raymond Neal
Lord's Supper – (S) Darrell Smothers
(S) John Dennison
(N) Kenneth Roark
(N) David Bridges
(N) Kenny Kennedy

Closing Prayer – David Bridges
Security – Frank Carmack

PM Service:

Announcements – Joe Hunt
Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Josh Carmack
Opening Prayer – Larry Carden
Lord's Supper – Darrell Smothers
Closing Prayer – Mel Gibson
Security – Mike White

Wednesday Night:

Song Leader – Kenneth Roark
Audio/Visual – Josh Carmack
Opening Prayer – Robert Anderson
& Devotional
Closing Prayer – MacArthur Watkins
Security – Joel Sutton

Door Greeters for December

South – Joe Hunt
Center – Steve Carmack
North – Robert Taylor

Communion for December

Tommy and Linda Climer

December Birthdays

- Amanda Carmack – 1
- Brenda Sutton – 4
- Khadijah Pierson – 5
- Tracie Sutton – 5
- John Dennison – 6
- Tanisha Reed – 11
- Rusty Kennedy – 13
- Gale Shaw – 16
- Chisholm Vaughan – 22
- Kairi Shepherd – 22
- Larry Carden – 28
- Kelly Carmack – 29
- Heston Carmack – 29

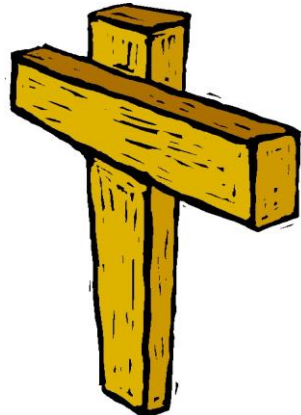


Mark Your Calendars!

- **Dec. 25th** – Service Time Change: We will have one worship service at 10:30.
- **Dec. 30th-Jan. 1st** – Light the Fire Youth Retreat for ages 13-23. Applications are on the table in the foyer. Please see Justin with any questions.

What Are My Children Studying?

- **Dec. 4th** – Lesson 1 – Joseph's Coat and Dreams – Genesis 35:23-26; 37:1-11
- **Dec. 7th** – Lesson 2 – Brothers Sell Joseph – Genesis 37:12-36
- **Dec. 11th** – Lesson 3 – Joseph Over Potiphar's House; In Jail – Genesis 39



Those in Need of Our Prayers and Encouragement:

Our Regulars/Friends/Relatives:

- At any given time there are members going through different difficulties that they would rather keep private. Please say a prayer for them; God knows who they are.
- Irene Taylor is currently at Methodist University awaiting the results on a biopsy on several tumors. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Larry Carden has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. He will be undergoing treatments at Vanderbilt in the near future. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Don Ellwood is in Baptist East. He has inflammation in his liver due to a reaction to his diabetes medication. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Stephen and Amy Snell have a baby boy. Andrew Lee Snell was born on 11/11 at 9:22 am. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz. Proud grandparents are David and Jane Snell.
- Marion Morris is back in the nursing home. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Ted Sutton is home from a short stay in the local hospital due to pneumonia. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Darrin Hamlin suffered a very serious injury to his thumb. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Johnnie Matthews is still dealing with serious health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Amy Bridges is dealing with some health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Laura Bivens (June Roark's brother's step daughter) is battling cancer. Please keep her and the family in your prayers.
- Alan Sheckell's (Synthia Gibson's nephew) continues to battle cancer. His address is 803 S. 4th St., Hayti, MO 63851. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.
- Frank Bales has been diagnosed with cancer. He has a mass between his left lung and heart. He is scheduled to have surgery at Vanderbilt. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Mike White had some test done recently. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Joyce Dunaway (Mike White's mom) is having back problems. Please keep her in your prayers.
- Kathy Petrowski (friend of Beth Carmack May) has been diagnosed with cancer. Please keep her in your prayers.
- WL Sandlin, Betty Brogdon, Gwinn Matthews, Eunice Dobbs, Marion Morris, Ronnie Tillman, Georgia Campbell, Tim Carmack, Lille Dennison, Ted Sutton, Joyce Blakemore, Seth May, Paula Tillman, Brenda Belton, Drexel Reed, Dot Mullins, Etta Hunt, Brenda Sutton, Don Sutton, Betty Binkley, and Everett & Mary Presson: Please keep these individuals in your prayers.

“The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much”

(James 5:16)