

For The Record	
Bible Study.....	.56
Worship A.M.....	.73
Worship P.M.....	.43
Wednesday.....	.40
Contribution.....	\$2636
Budget.....	\$1800

Sermons


A.M. Out With Doubt
P.M. Monthly Singing Night

Mark Your Calendar

Dec. 6 Ladies' Gift Exchange at 7 pm
Dec. 12 M.E.P. Team #1 will meet
Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party
Jan. 9 Elders meet with men of the congregation
Jan. 16 Elders meet with ladies of the congregation
Feb. 4-6 Winter Lectureship

December Assignments

Announcements.....Bud Benefield
Communion..... Casey Ballard
Wednesday Singing..... Wes Benefield

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Plan of Salvation

Hear - (Rom. 10:14) "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

Believe - (John 8:24) "I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

Repent - (Luke 13:3) "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Confess - (Rom. 10:9) "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Be Baptized - (Acts 2:38) "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

Be Faithful - (Rev. 2:10) "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY
Bible Study 10:00
Worship 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 7:00 pm

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The Gospel Light

"To give light to them that sit in darkness..." Luke 1:79

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"From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, **Will ye also go away?** Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God."

John 6:66-68

DRIVING AWAY THE VULTURES WHEN YOU WORSHIP

In Genesis 15, Abraham is offering a heifer, goat, ram, turtledove, and pigeon on an altar. This was the way you worshipped in Abraham's day. As a matter of course, Abraham was cutting all but the birds in half in preparation to worship when the buzzards buzzed the sacrifices. Almost as a footnote, Moses writes, "The birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away" (Gen. 15:11).

Have you ever had to do that when you worshipped? Maybe, you've prepared for worship and are actively engaged in it when the vultures try to descend. That bird of prey might be a noise in the auditorium, an uninvited thought, an action by another worshipper or a worship leader, the room temperature, some type of visual distraction, or almost any other sort of external or internal intrusion. But, these things can become the predators that pick at, sabotage, or consume our worship. Our thoughts and attitudes can be adversely affected to the point that we fail to offer God acceptable worship.

Sometimes, you have to shoo away those birds of prey. Swoop into action. Pray. Redouble your concentration. Give yourself a mental pep talk, reminding yourself why you are assembled. Do not let the vultures violate your veneration! Fight off the distractions, annoyances, and aggravations! You will be the better for that effort, and God will be pleased with what you offer.

Neal Pollard

via Daily Bread 12/2/2010

Neal preaches for the Bear Valley church of Christ in Denver, CO



Welcome to our visitors. You are our special guests. We trust the worship service today will be uplifting and in harmony with God's word.

Wednesday, December 8

Song - Wes Benefield

Devotional - Bill Dedmon

Announcements - Bill Dedmon



The holiday Ladies' Gift Exchange will be Monday, December 6, at 7:00 pm. The gift price is between \$20.00 and \$25.00. A food signup sheet is on the bulletin board. Please come and share in this fun time!



The New Year's Eve party will be on Friday, December 31, beginning at 8:00 pm. It is an enjoyable evening of finger food, fellowship, and games, and this year, there will be a time for singing praises to God.



We will be setting the calendar for next year very soon. If you have any thing you would like to see an activity placed on the 2011 calendar, please see Phil Harrington.



Ken is revamping the M.E.P. (*Member Edification Program*) teams. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. If you are not currently participating in the program now is a good time to get involved in this good work. If you have any questions about M.E.P ask Ken or Bill. The cards that are sent bring encouragement to the receiver and the sender.



Gerald Scales will be having kidney surgery soon; **Sean Guerrero**, Bill's niece's husband, is having bypass surgery on Monday; **Kendra Dearing**; **Michelle Bonner**, Gary Anderson's niece; **Bill and Billie Nolen**.

Continue to remember in prayer:

Bobby Fendley; Phil, Sandra, Erin, and Emily Harrington; Cassidy Estes; Cindy Carnes; Wayne and Sandra Harlin; Aiden and Molly Astin; Ida Mae Holloway; Brenda Green; Hope Hickman; Ansley Suddeth; Terry Benefield; Lowell Benefield; Bill Parson; Joe McCollough; Susie Newman; Tommy Young; Mary Green; Melinda Fendley; Melinda Harlin; Jason Fordham; Ervin Barnhill; Linda Barnett; Bobbie Brown; Bill Weeks; Edwin Akin; Jessica Osborne; Douglas Glosson.

Serving in our military:

Jason Benefield, Paul Wheeler, Toby Hill, Timothy Hand.



Area Elders, Deacons, Preachers, and wives Holiday Dinner at 6:30 at Bremen church of Christ on Thursday night, December 30. All of our elders, deacons, and leaders are encouraged to attend. See Bill if you are interested. The cost is 8.50 per person.



Donnie Truett is working on a tract rack for the foyer. It will hold about seventy two tracts. We will need someone to keep it filled. If you would like this job, please see one of the elders.