

SERVICE SCHEDULE for August 17, 2014

Announcements for the Week	Doug Davidson
Morning Service	Evening Service
Prayer- Don Casper	Prayer- Dan Buselmeier
Song Leader- Dan Buselmeier	Song Leader- Marshall Irvin
Communion:	
-- Comments – Mike Shepherd	Comments – Andy Dobbs
-- Assisting – Mark Jones	Communion – Phillip Dorn
-- Assisting – Andrew Johnson	
-- Assisting – Darryl Griffing	
-- Assisting – Gary Goddard	
-- Scripture – Trey Irvin	Scripture – J. Maxwell Irvin
Closing Prayer- David Fuller	Closing Prayer- David Johnson
<u>Wednesday Night – August 20, 2014</u>	
First Prayer- Marshall Foxworthy	
Song Leader – Roger German	
Invitation – Trey Irvin	
Closing Prayer – Darryl Griffing	
August 24 Evening Service: Russ Sollars	
August 31 Evening Song & Scripture Service	

Upcoming Assignments

August	Communion	Cleaning
24	Jones	Dorn, Irvin, Williams, Griffing
31	Bailey	Foxworthy, German, Sollars, Jones, Stewart

God's Will of Decree: The logic of the Bible says: Act according to God's "will of command," not according to his "will of decree." God's "will of decree" is whatever comes to pass. "If the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that" (James 4:15). God's "will of decree" ordained that his Son be betrayed (Luke 22:22), ridiculed (Isaiah 53:3), mocked (Luke 18:32), flogged (Matthew 20:19), forsaken (Matthew 26:31), pierced (John 19:37), and killed (Mark 9:31).

But the Bible teaches us plainly that we should not betray, ridicule, mock, flog, forsake, pierce, or kill innocent people. That is God's "will of command." — John Piper

Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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Take A Letter

1. What lost letter of Paul is mentioned in the Letter to the Colossians?
2. Who received a letter from David, telling him to put Uriah in the heat of battle?
3. Who wrote to the churches concerning the Jerusalem council's decision on the issue of circumcision?
4. Who, using John as a scribe, wrote to the seven churches in Asia?



Social Media

Adapted

Whoever restrains his words has knowledge, and he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding. [Proverbs 17:27]

Like it or not, social media is here to stay.

While we shouldn't overreact to the dangers of this new media, we must not ignore them either. There needs to be more discussion about social media. For you who are already active or considering it -- Here are some things to consider:



Social Media

Continued

Be careful before you hit “send” (James 1:19-20; Proverbs 10:19; 15:2; 21:23). Could your message be taken the wrong way? Does this need to be kept private? Will it needlessly offend someone?

Don't vent anger (James 1:19-20; Ephesians 4:26-27; Proverbs 14:29; 29:11). Don't air family problems or church issues online. If you're angry at someone, go speak to them personally. The rest of us don't need to know.

Never lie (Ephesians 4:25; Colossians 3:9-10; Revelation 21:8). And embellishment is the same as lying.

Don't glorify yourself (Matthew 6:5, 7, 16; Proverbs 25:27; 26:12). Hide the good you do. Advertise what is done for you. Give glory to God instead.

Watch out for ungodly influences (1 Corinthians 15:33; 2 Timothy 2:16-18; 2 Peter 2:18-20). Beware of worldly ideas, false teaching, filthy language, dirty jokes, and gossip.

Don't let this become an addiction (1 Corinthians 6:12). It can easily take over your life if you're not careful.

Protect your marriage (Proverbs 7:5-27). The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers says 81 percent of its members have used or faced evidence plucked from social networking sites in the past five years. Don't be “That Guy”!

Use social networking to God's glory (Mark 16:15; Ephesians 4:29; Colossians 4:6; Matthew 5:14-16). There are so many positive ways we can use this new media. Let's use it to advance God's cause, not the Devil's.

Pray for wisdom regarding the evils of social media. May God be glorified in every email, tweet, and Facebook comment we post this day. If He is not, then why post it?



Staying Hydrated

By David Maxson

Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when the heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit. [Jeremiah 17:7-8]

Several years ago I had the opportunity to visit the city of Albuquerque, New Mexico. It's one of the driest places I've ever been to. It receives less than 10 inches of rainfall each year! Thus, most of the landscape is made up of plants that can survive under such dry conditions (like cactuses).

However, if you go down to the Rio Grande you find a very different landscape. There are trees... lots of trees, in fact. While the rest of the land suffers from dry sandy soil, the Rio Grande provides a steady flow of water to all of the trees that surround its banks.

Isn't that the way it is with us and God? As long as we're trusting in Him, we're okay. Our branches remain fruitful and our leaves flourish. We are like the trees planted next to the gently flowing waters of the Rio Grande. While those around us trust in flesh (Jeremiah 17:5), we trust in the LORD. We do not worry about the drought or the heat. God is to us a constant source of spiritual strength and health.

Allow your roots to be nourished today by spending some time with the LORD by listening to His Word and communicating to Him in prayer! When we go through the dry seasons of life the water of life strengthens and sustains us.



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1. The letter to the Laodiceans [Colossians 4:16]
2. Joab [2 Samuel 11:4 & 15]
3. James [Acts 15:23]
4. Jesus [Revelation 1-3]

