

SERVICE SCHEDULE for January 25, 2015

Announcements for the Week Andy Fuller
Morning Service
Prayer- Mark Jones
Song Leader- Marshall Irvin
Communion:
 -- **Comments** – Andy Dobbs
 -- **Assisting** – Trey Irvin
 -- **Assisting** – Phillip Dorn
 -- **Assisting** – Todd Hudson
 -- **Assisting** – Gary Goddard
 -- **Scripture** – Darryl Griffing
Closing Prayer- Josh Hudson
Evening Service
Prayer- Don Casper
Song Leader- Bill McIlvain
Comments – Scott Lucas
Communion –Mark Jones
Scripture – Various
Closing Prayer- Cliff Davis

Wednesday Night – January 28, 2015

First Prayer– Andy Fuller
Song Leader – Don Casper
Invitation – Andy Dobbs
Closing Prayer – David Johnson
January 25 Evening Song Service:

Upcoming Assignments

February	Communion	Cleaning
1	McIlvain	Dobbs, Bailey, Fuller, LaChappelle, Shacklock
8	Shacklock	Dorn, Irvin, Williams, Griffing, Graves

Ladies Bible Study

The ladies have a bible class scheduled for the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. They meet here at the church building Feb. 2 @ 7:00PM.

Good Thoughts -- “God creates out of nothing. Wonderful you say. Yes, to be sure, but he does what is still more wonderful: he makes saints out of sinners.” — Søren Kierkegaard, The Journals of Kierkegaard

“Was it you or I who stumbled first? It does not matter. The one of us who finds the strength to get up first, must help the other.” — Vera Nazarian



Schedule of Services

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

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Deacons: John Paul Baker, Doug Davidson, Andy Fuller,

Marshall Irvin, Jason LaChappelle

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The Birds

1. Who compared his days to eagles swooping down on their prey?
2. On what day did God create the birds?
3. Who had a dream about birds eating out of a basket on his head?
4. Who boasted to David that he would give David's body to the birds for food?



The Battleship & The Lighthouse

Author Unknown

In the darkest part of the night, a ship's captain cautiously piloted his warship through the fog-shrouded waters. With straining eyes he scanned the hazy darkness, searching for dangers lurking just out of sight. His worst fears were realized when he saw a bright light straight ahead. It appeared to be a vessel on a collision course with his ship. To avert disaster, he quickly radioed the oncoming vessel. ``This is Captain Jeremiah Smith," his voice crackled over the radio. ``Please alter your course ten degrees south! Over."



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To the captain's amazement, the foggy image did not move. Instead, he heard back on the radio, "Captain Smith, this is Private Thomas Johnson. Please alter your course ten degrees north! Over."

Appalled at the audacity of the message, the captain shouted back over the radio, "Private Johnson, this is Captain Smith, and I order you to immediately alter your course ten degrees south! Over."

A second time the oncoming light did not budge. "With all due respect, Captain Smith," came the private's voice again, "I order you to alter your course immediately ten degrees north! Over."

Angered and frustrated that this impudent sailor would endanger the lives of his men and crew, the captain growled back over the radio. "Private Johnson, I can have you court-martialed for this! For the last time, I command you on the authority of the United States government to alter your course ten degrees to the south! I am a battleship!"

The private's final transmission was chilling--"Captain Smith, sir. Once again with all due respect, I command you to alter your course ten degrees to the north! I am a lighthouse!"



Many today have little respect for authority. Some operate as if rules can be changed to fit their personal needs and desires. Commercials egg us on: "Have it your way." In reality, we can't always have it our way. We have to conform our lives to a higher truth, a higher authority. Truth is not going to change to accommodate us. We are the ones who must change to conform our lives to what is true.



[Busy, Busy, Busy](#)

By David Maxson

The apostles returned to Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. And he said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a desolate place and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. [Mark 6:30-31]

Are you stressed out? Are you feeling deadlines pressing on you? Do you wish there were a few more hours in the day to get everything done? Are you skipping meals? Are you getting sleep?

Jesus was a busy man. Mark seems to bring this out even more than the other gospel writers. "Immediately, Jesus did this..." "Immediately, Jesus did that..." It seems Jesus was going from sun up to sun down with constant activity.

But Jesus knew the value of rest. He needed rest and his disciples needed it too. It was not laziness. You couldn't accuse Jesus of being lazy. It was wisdom. He knew he could be more effective with a little rest.

Think about this as you consider all the things you've got to do today. You can't always wait for a convenient time to slow down. There will always be another project waiting for your attention. Sometimes you have to just make time to rest.

Ask God to save us from the delusion that the world depends on us (because it doesn't). Maybe we need to humble ourselves so that we might realize that everything will be just fine if we take some time off.



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1. Job [Job 9:26]
2. The fifth day [Genesis 1:20]
3. Pharaoh's baker [Genesis 40:16-17]
4. Goliath [1 Samuel 26:20]

