

January 19, 2023

WIDOW/WIDOWERS LUNCHEON

One remarkable truth that is often forgotten, is just how much God looks after and loves those who are orphans and widows. While society may overlook them and their needs, God does not, for they are mentioned about ninety times in the Bible. With the exception of the times they are part of a biblical account or part of instructions according to the Old Testament law, almost every reference to them has evidence of God's love for them. David wrote in **Psalm 68:4-5** "Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the Lord; extol before him! Father of the fatherless and protector of widows is God in his holy habitation."

Throughout history, widows have often been mistreated in society, and the Bible speaks quite a lot against such mistreatment. In **Exodus 22:22** God's Law commanded "You shall not mistreat any widow or fatherless child." In **Deuteronomy 27:19** the message is repeated saying "Cursed be anyone who perverts the justice due to the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow." And all the people shall say, 'Amen.' Jesus repeats this in **Luke 20:46-47** when He says, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces and the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." When society takes advantage of widows, God sees it, and He will not overlook it, even though it may be hidden from others!

With that said, What a wonderful opportunity the church has to be the hands of God in helping them! I am grateful that there are so many of you who are aware of those who are hurting in these ways and willing to help with your love and care. I want to encourage you to keep up all the great things that you are doing. It is so important for us to continually make opportunities to shine the light of Christ. It is especially important for us to show our concern for those who are loved so much by God. I am also very excited to announce that we will soon be starting a Quarterly Widow and Widowers Luncheon here at Nashville Road.

What is the Widows and Widowers Luncheon? The Widows and Widowers Luncheon is a FREE lunch provided to ALL the Widows and Widowers after

Sunday AM service, on the date selected, at either a restaurant, the fellowship hall, or the host's residence.

Where will the Luncheon be? It is completely up to the host. If the host of the luncheon chooses to dine at a restaurant, the cost of the meal for the Widow/Widowers will be purchased by the host. You, as the host, may want to call ahead and reserve seating if your party is larger. If the meal is cooked and prepared by the host, the fellowship hall downstairs is available to use. If you as the host would like to prepare a meal at your residence, and have the Widows and Widowers over to dine, that is an option as well.

Who is the Host? The host of the Widows and Widowers luncheon, is a member or members of the congregation, that will be financially responsible for the meal provided to ALL the Widows and Widowers lunch. The host will choose the destination of the lunch provided. There may be more than one member, members or family, that may host a luncheon. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

What's the purpose of the Widows and Widowers luncheon? To provide an opportunity for the members of the congregation to be involved and serve our widows and widowers. And to provide an opportunity for our widows and widowers to grow closer together in fellowship with one another.

When are the Luncheons? (after Sunday AM service on the dates listed)

- January 29
- April 16
- June 11
- September 17

For further details please see myself, or Taylor. We are happy to answer any questions you may have. Again, we are so grateful for all of your continued care and support in the many ways that you are involved, and we are certainly excited to open up another avenue to spread the light of Christ and grow closer together.

Andrew Spivey

PEACE FROM PAIN

When days are rough, and times seem tough,
and we're under pressure and strain;
Trust the Lord, and obey His Word,
and peace will come from the pain.
Bulletin digest/Edd Sterchi

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES

Sunday Read – Luke 12:22- 13:9

Wednesday Read – Mark 4:1-29

BIBLE STUDY



Questions for last week's reading of;

Matt 12:22-50 & Luke 11:37-12:21. (this is correct one to read for questions).

Sorry I had put in the wrong scriptures for this week's questions. Diana S.

1. How was Jesus like Jonah?
2. How can you be in Jesus' family?
3. When you get rid of evil in your life, what should you do to replace it?
4. Why do you think the Pharisees cared about the seat in which they sat?
5. Describe how well God knows you.

LADS TO LEADERS

Lads to Leaders convention is at the Opryland Hotel on **April 6 - 9, 2023**. If you or your student are interested in participating in the Lads to Leaders program, please see Garrett Rowlett, Andrew Spivey or Tim Strickland before **February 5th** to participate in the 2023 convention. **We will meet on Sunday, January 22nd beginning at 3:30 PM in the Fellowship Room.**

DORCAS CLASS

Dorcas Class will be on Saturdays beginning on February 4th at 9:00 am. The class will be held on every Saturday in February. For more details please see **Pam Newby**.

He says, " I removed the burden from their shoulders; their hands were set free from the basket. In your distress you called and I rescued you." **Psalm 81:6-7**

ORDER OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

January 22, 2023

9:00 AM

BIBLE STUDY

(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song.....Bob Brown
Opening Prayer.....Eric Stephenson
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome.....Jim Cherry
Song Leader.....Bob Brown
Opening Prayer.....Charlie Seals
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Allyn Hosman
Closing Prayer.....Adam Williamson

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome.....Jim Cherry
Song Leader.....Bob Brown
Opening Prayer.....Jonathan Senn
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Tim Strickland
Closing Prayer.....Brent Smith

WEDNESDAY

January 25, 2023

7:00 PM

Welcome.....Jim Cherry
Song Leader.....Bob Brown
Opening Prayer.....Tony Butler
Lesson.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Ken Veale

Door Greeters – West Door.....B/S Sever
East Door.....B/M Smith

Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Diana Stephenson

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE CALL

Alex Sherrill.....615-289-9935
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

SICK LIST

Lena Baggett is home recovering from a rupture disc. **Ann Tyler** is having problems with her back and has shingles. **Mary Ann Reinhart** has been diagnosed with cancer. She has begun radiation treatments. **Vetrus Mee** is at Sumner Regional recovering from having fluid removed from around his heart. **Aza Topik**, grandson of Charlie & Wanda Seals, had a snowboarding accident in Utah with severe spinal injuries. In rehab now. **Mike Martin**, friend of the Jennings & Cato families has been moved to the Select Specialty Hospital at St Thomas West. He is improving some. **Rob Spivey**, son of Keith & Lisha Spivey, is recovering from a broken leg. **Paul Norman**, nephew of Carolyn Vester and cousin to Valarie Senn & Wanda Sherrill, has been diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer. **Becky Mears**, friend of Bob & Tarina Brown had a bone marrow transplant and is doing well. **Rachel Goode**, friend of Carl & Pam Newby is recovering at home from surgery she had on November 7th and is doing well. **April Cothran**, a good friend of Celena Marshall has been diagnosed with stage 4 adenocarcinoma of the pancreas. She is taking chemo treatments. **Bryan Grissom**, cousin to Joyce Clark & Robbie Glover, has been diagnosed with cancer.



PRAYER LIST

Vetrus Mee, Charter Senior Living of Gallatin; **Shelby Ross**; **Sandi Jones**; **Maxine Cothron**; **Gerald Miles**, The Waters of Gallatin, 555 E. Bledsoe Drive, Room 305; **Frances Catron**; **Jean Deaton**; **Charlie Cliburn**; **Vycki Puckett**, daughter of Jack & Anita Cato; **Larry Bailey** son of Tina Bailey; **Ty Tyler** son of Ann Tyler; **Ricky Cantrell**; **Wade & Wanda Kennedy** parents of Diana Stephenson; **Ricky Cross**, friend of Betty Buttrey; **Ida Lou Sherrill**, mother of Alex Sherrill; **Lawrence Redding**, son-in-law of Betty Melcher; **Taylor Lackford**, niece of Brenda Veale; **Dustin Lackford**, nephew of Brenda Veale; **Janice Haskins**, sister of Jim Cherry; **Larry Conley**, friend of Wanda Proctor; **John Gregory**, brother of Bob Gregory; **Harold Cole**, friend of Lena Baggett; **Bobbie Carter**, sister of Janice Johnson; **Betty Billingsley**, sister of Wanda Proctor; **Walter Wooten**, brother of Wanda Sherrill.

SHUT-INS

Marilee Frederick, Gallatin Rehab, Room 220; **Joyce Savage**, NHC Place Sumner, room 322; **Jane Hughes**, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615; **Melba Hill**.

We depend on families and friends to help us update this list. Please notify us of any changes.

OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	100
Morning Worship.....	147
Sunday Evening.....	75
Wednesday Evening.....	60
Contribution.....	\$6,543.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$6,461.00

Elders

Tony Butler.....	615-452-0560
Jim Cherry.....	615-479-2149
David Johnson.....	615-300-9084
Alex Sherrill.....	615-289-9935
David Thompson.....	615-598-6621

Deacons

Carl Newby	Jonathan Senn	Brent Smith
Eric Stephenson	Ken Veale	Adam Williamson



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