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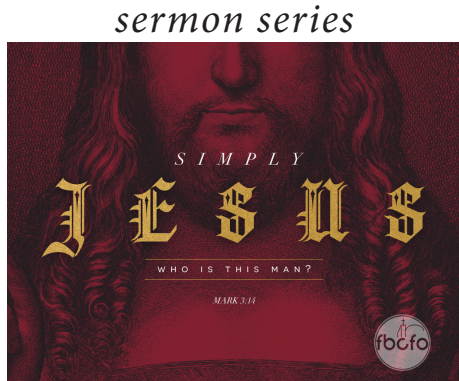
Volume 2

February 20, 2019

our vision
**To lead people
in a
life-changing relationship
with God through a
personal faith
in Jesus Christ.**

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|  GATHER in worship |  GROW in small groups |  GO into the world |
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This Sunday
Simply Jesus Continues...
Pastor Patrick

Next Sunday
"VISION SUNDAY 2019"

Christ Chapel
Items for February:
Canned Soup & Veggies



SUNDAYREPORT

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|------------------------------|------------|
| Bible Study Attendance | N/A |
| 11 am Worship Attendance | 257 |
| Annual Budget | 596,828.00 |
| YTD Budget Needs | 80,342.37 |
| YTD Budget Giving | 75,330.42 |
| Total Receipts for the Week: | 17,403.00 |
| Weekly Budget Giving | 10,675.00 |
| Weekly Freedom Giving | 4,490.00 |
| Weekly Missions Giving | 575.00 |



VOLUNTEERS

deacons of the week

Feb 24 - Mar. 2

Luke Daniels
Paul Overlin
Bruce Underwood

March 3 - March 9

Jeff Fletcher
Marlin Paulson
Tim Banister

wednesday kitchen

Feb 27

Betty Parrish
Harold Parrish
Charles Tant
Dolores Tant

March 7

Marlin Paulson
Mary A. Paulson
Sandra Mullins
Hal Jones



security team

Feb 24 - March 2

Jeff Ingram
Tom Acker

March 3-March 9

Fred Colwell
Diedra Smith

March 10 -March 16

Shannon Born
Ken Lee

greeter team

Feb 24

R. Nicholson
Luther Nicholson
Marlin Paulson

March 3

Aurelia Little
Margaret Box
Brenda Jones

March 10

Harold Parrish
Betty Parrish
Jeff Wells
Carrie Wells

launchpad

Sun. Feb 24

Babies & 1yrs

Melissa Pittman
Marge Evans
Callie Stookey
Micki Atkinson

3yr & 4yr olds

Sun. March 3

Babies & 1yrs

Amanda Pobieglo
Cayla Coleman
Brittany Everett
Stacy Thomas

3yr & 4yr olds

Sun. March 10

Becky Pennington
Madeline Pittman
Carrie Wells
S. Rittenhouse

Sun. March 17

Linda Daniels
Joyce Rogers
Levanda Swafford
Heather Craig



UPCOMING EVENTS

Vision Sunday 2019

Join us next Sunday, 3.3, at 10:50 am for a special Worship Celebration in which we highlight some of our big ministry moments from 2018 and look ahead for what God has for us in 2019. Our mission is to lead people into life changing relationship with God through faith in Christ. What will that look like in 2019?

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering

Anytime we pray for God to bring revival to our nation, we are praying the same heartbeat of **Annie Armstrong Easter offering**. The special Easter Offering that bears her name is all about revival and spiritual awakening in America. Our 2019 goal is \$6,500 and every penny will go to this special cause.

Iron Sharpens Iron Conference

Our Men's Ministry invites you to be part of this special conference happening Saturday, 3.2, on the campus of Christ Church at 8645 East Brainerd Road. This is a one-day equipping event from 8:30 am. to 5 pm. Men ages 13 and up are invited. The cost is \$65 per person or \$35 for students. Register at www.mensministry.org.

2019 FCA Banquet

Our church family is sponsoring a table at the 2019 Banquet for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The banquet will be at the Catoosa County Colonnade on Tuesday, 3.26, beginning at 6 pm. This is a fundraising event with limited seating. We have six available seats if you would like to attend. Email churchoffice@fbcfo.org to reserve your seat today.

JASON THOMAS

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If Just a Little Closer to God! I am excited to take this next step with you in our blog series on the seven BIG words for Worship. Last time I asked you to begin considering what our Sunday morning atmosphere would be like if each one of us approached worship with what we can contribute and not just what we can receive. From the front row to the back row, there is an opportunity for everyone to contribute, especially if we have a better understanding of what it means to express ourselves in worship. In this new series, we are looking at the seven key Old Testament words for worship. Each word describes a different expression of worship participation and reminds us that our God is completely worthy of our worship.

Here in our second edition, we find a word that most of us put into action without knowing it. It is the Hebrew word, "Yadah," occurring 111 times in the Scriptures. The word means to throw up your hands with great passion and enthusiasm. Literally, it describes you being so overcome with excitement that you instinctively raise your hands to the sky with an exclamation of victory.

This expression is very common at weekend sporting events, but the writers of Scripture were not describing the excitement of recreational sports. They were describing a feeling of passion about God and a desire to be closer to God. **"In God we make our boast all day long, and we will praise ("yadah") your name forever"** (Psalm 44:8)! Whether it is reaching out to Him or declaring your victory through Him, the expression of "yadah" is excitement and passion extending to the very tips of your fingers. If it brings you just a little closer... it is ok to reach up! -Jason



If you are actively leading or serving with any of our church ministry teams, we want you to be part of our new monthly leadership meeting called "the Summit." Our next Summit will be Sunday, 3.10, from 4 to 5:30 pm in the downstairs Gathering Circle. We are off to an amazing start with 82 leaders at our first Summit and we can't wait to see what God has for us on Sunday, 3.10.



BRAD LEWIS

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The Purpose Of Worship. All of us have a pretty good idea of *why* we worship. Most of those ideas are forged in teachings we have heard, church culture around us, and years of experience. I have heard many people share their thoughts on *why* we worship. All are good thoughts, but perhaps we should look a bit deeper.

Most people say that the purpose of worship is to get us ready to hear God's Word. It is absolutely right that worship gets us ready for God's Word, but that is not the purpose of worship. Others say that worship is for warfare, because when we worship the enemy flees. Again, that is absolutely right that worship drives away evil forces, but that is not the purpose of worship. Even others would say that worship is to encourage our hearts. Yes, that is absolutely right that worship encourages us, but that is not the purpose of worship.

The purpose of worship is to bring attention, acclaim, and worth to God. Although the bible gives many examples of worship as warfare, worship as encouragement, and other *benefits*, they are just that: *benefits*. (Interestingly, there is no mention in the bible of worship as preparation for preaching). Worship stands alone as what we do to bring glory to God.

I challenge each of us to study God's Word about worship. In it we will find a fresh understanding... **Worship Well!**

-Brad



PATRICK EVERETT

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Ecuador Missions Trip - Please be in prayer for potential students to go to Ecuador this summer! The team is forming now, but it is not too late! Students, see Patrick asap if you are interested! One of our goals is that Students would be engaged in International Missions before they graduate!

Disciple Now Weekend - March 1-3. We will leave the church campus Friday, 3.1, at 6 p.m and return Sunday, 3.3, for the 10:50 a.m. service. The cost for the entire weekend is \$20.00. This will include all food on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday, and the conference with T-Shirt. See Ms. Miki to pay your \$20.

King & Country Concert - The students will be going to see **King and Country** on Sunday, 3.17. They'll be leaving the church campus at 5:30 to eat, and the concert is at the Tivoli at 7:30 pm, returning to our campus afterwards for pickup. There are only 30 tickets available. \$20 reserves your ticket. See Ms. Miki to reserve your seat.

Next Camp Fund-Raiser Lunch -. The Students will be having their next Fundraiser Lunch for the Merge Missions Camp on Sunday,3.3, following the Morning Worship Celebration. Please make plans to attend and support our Students!

Weekly Parent Emails - Have you been getting the weekly email for our Student Ministry? [Click Here](#)



2.20.19 - Oneighty is worship service, but it is a place to also connect relationally with people who want to build a Christ-centered relationship. We had 5 adult huddle leaders/mentors last Wednesday! If you would like to invest in the life of Students, there is no better way! Contact Patrick if you are interested, we could use you! We want to be a church who gives to the next generation!

NICHOLE STOOKEY

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"May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us" Psalm 67:1

Fund-Raiser Lunch - The Kids will be having their next Fundraiser Lunch for the Student Life for Kids Camp on Sunday, 3.3, following the Morning Worship Celebration. Please make plans to attend and support our Kids!

The Practice - I would like to introduce a new Kids' breakout time called **The Practice!** On the weeks without **The Point**, kids will be released during the offering to attend a unique, kids only "practice". The strategy behind The Practice will focus on **verse memorization**. Families will be given a booklet of 79 verses that we will focus on over the next 3 years. We will become familiar with the bible and do various activities to help memorize the verse in an immersive manner. Kids ages 4 through 5th grade are welcome to attend.



March 10
March 24
April 7
April 14
April 21
May 26



Clubhouse Friends

We had a fun night last week as we learned about and celebrated God's Love with snacks, games, and various activities. We will continue our session this week called "What Should I Do?" as we learn to recognize and to respond to God's voice. Invite your friends!



The Point

We learned about the Lord's Prayer this past Sunday (2.17) This Sunday, we will have the Point again (2.24)! Tim Banister will lead us on the Prodigal Son from Luke 15! Pray our kids will connect the nature of the Father's love in their lives!

PRAYER REQUESTS

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Hospital

Jack Smith

Home

Kay Buff
George McDowell
Sheila hall
Wilma Burt
Rena Caradine
Martha Cope
Louise Stinnett
Opal Hyde
Nell Smith
JoAnn Davis
Larry & Cindy Shipp
Jeanne Clark
Tommie Brock

Beth

Daughtery
Trey Baldwin
Jerry Gann
Ruth & Brian Wagoner
Tommie Brock
Betty Phillips
Wanda McArthur
Helen Epperson
Mary Ann Jones
Ken & Betty Goodner
John Stewart

Assisted Care

Sharon Mullins
Lila Archer
Bertha Pennington
Joetta Roderick
Dale Kinnison
Eunice Mosman
Norma Carpenter
Robbie Fletcher
Glenda Duncan

Pastoral Emergency Line - 423.708.5303

BIRTHDAYS

Kristi Mullins (21st)
Lora Ogden (21st)
Anna Bradford (22nd)
Grayson Brooks (22nd)
Stephen Harp (23rd)
Miki Ingram (25th)
Debbie Harp (27th)
Will Montgomery (27th)
Mackie Yatooma (27th)

Elaine Lewis (28th)
Joetta Roderick (28th)
Elaine Steele (28th)
Brian Swafford (28th)
Bettye Dunwoody (29th)
Tristian Lister (29th)
Drew Todaro (1st)
Cindy Daniels (2nd)
Heather Craig ((3rd)

Joan Hicks (4th)
Pamela Bethune (5th)
Dale Kinnison (5th)
Melissa Pittman (5th)

WEDNESDAY MENU

Feb 27

BBQ Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw

March 6

Egg Casserole. Sausage, Bacon, Biscuits, Gravy

ANDY ATKINSON

pastor of discipleship & families - andya@fbcfo.org

Throughout His ministry, Jesus relied upon the Holy Spirit to direct Him as He made crucial decisions and faced relentless opposition (Mark 1:12). Centuries earlier, Isaiah had described what the Spirit's presence would mean for the Messiah. The Spirit would give Jesus the knowledge of the will and ways of the Father. Even as a young boy, Jesus already possessed unusual knowledge of the scriptures (Luke 2:47). The Spirit granted Him the wisdom to use this knowledge. **They worked together.** Knowing the words of scripture is one thing, but *to know the heartbeat* of its inspiration transcends knowledge. The Spirit enabled Jesus to take the Word of God and apply it effectively to the specific needs of those He encountered.

As you follow Christ, the same Spirit abides in you. At times, you may pray and ask God to send His Spirit. This is a request to have **"ears to hear"** and for the removal of planks in our eyes to be able to see clearly. The Spirit will come in wisdom, bringing the understanding of God's ways. This Spirit is asking the same question Jesus asked, **"do you have ears to hear, and eyes to see?"**

You need God's wisdom for the decisions you face (Rom. 11:33). Perhaps God has placed you in a position of great responsibility, and you feel overwhelmed by the decisions you must make. It may be in your role as parent, or friend, or leader that you long for the wisdom of God. The same Spirit who enabled Jesus to see through the deceptions of Satan will also guide you through the temptations that confront you. Faith relies on the Spirit in the darkest moments of life. Pray that God will fill you with His Spirit of wisdom so that through the decisions you make you can live your life effectively and with His character.



LifeGROUPS exist to create a culture of hands on practical, observable spiritual families in the everyday life of our community.

WOMENS MINISTRY

Painting party - This Saturday, 2.23 9am. to 1pm- Cost- \$30 (includes all supplies). You must pre-register and pay. [Click Here.](#) Go to 2.23 and click on the party for Laura Jones. You cannot register and then take you to a PayPal link to pay. Chili will be served and you are welcome to bring a finger food or dessert of your choice for all to share.

Women of Joy - April 26-28. All monies are due by 2.28. Money can be given to Laura Jones or turned in to the church offering but BE SURE you note on your check or envelope for WOJ 2019. If you cannot make it this year but want to go to WOJ 2020, you must give Laura your \$25 non-refundable deposit by 4.25 to hold your spot.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RISE UP WITH JESUS!

This Easter, we will work on a special family project on Saturday April 20! **Rise Up With Jesus** is a special 2 hr bible workshop for families with kids. Families will move from station to station as they learn and do activities together about the Resurrection. Be in prayer now for this unique opportunity to impact families this Easter!

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We want to extend our love and prayers for Pastor Jason and his family on the passing of his mother, Vera Thomas.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER

On Wednesday Evening March 6, we will have special guest speaker, Jerry Tallent with us. Jerry has a wonderful prayer ministry in our local Baptist association and has a special heart for the local church here in North Georgia.

MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

Our next Men's ministry Breakfast will be Saturday, March 23 at 8:15a in the Gathering Circle. This is a great opportunity to develop new meaningful relationships to encourage one another in our faith journey! Be in prayer for who you can invite to be your guest!

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

CALENDAR

Sunday, February 24

9:30a Bible Group Ministry
10:50a Morning Worship
The Point "Kids" Worship

6p Evening Worship
Monday, February 25

10a Joyful Praise

Tuesday, February 26

6:15p Emotionally Healthy Study

Wednesday, February 27

5p Wednesday Evening Meal

6p Group Bible Studies

Kids' Clubhouse Friends

Oneighty Student Worship

6:15p Worship Orchestra Rehearsal

6:30p Pastor's Prayer Service

7:15p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Friday, Mar. 1-Sun. 3

Youth D-Now

Sunday, March 3

Vision Sunday

12:15p Camp Fundraiser Lunch

5p Atkinson LifeGroup

6p Evening Worship

Monday, March 4

10:30a Joyful Praise

Tuesday, March 5

10:30a Women on Mission

6:15p Emotionally Healthy Study

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*"But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad
in you; may those who love your salvation
always say, "The LORD be exalted!"
Yet I am poor and needy; may the Lord think
of me. You are my help and my deliverer; O my
God, do not delay."*

February 20, 2019

Psalm 40:16-17