

THE WAYPOINT



“a reference point along a course to reach a destination”

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South Trail Church of Christ

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Worship—

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Bible Classes —

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m..

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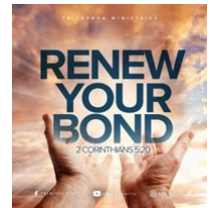
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What's Happening—

GUEST SPEAKER — Today Dave Hogan will be here to speak in Bible class about Mt. Dora Children's Home and Christian Academy.

GRIEF SHARE—A special session of the GriefShare program will be held tonight at 5:00 p.m. We will have a video “Surviving the Holidays” and a brief discussion afterward. All are invited to join in for the special presentation.

TIME TO RENEW IN 2022!



ALL FAITHS FOOD BANK—

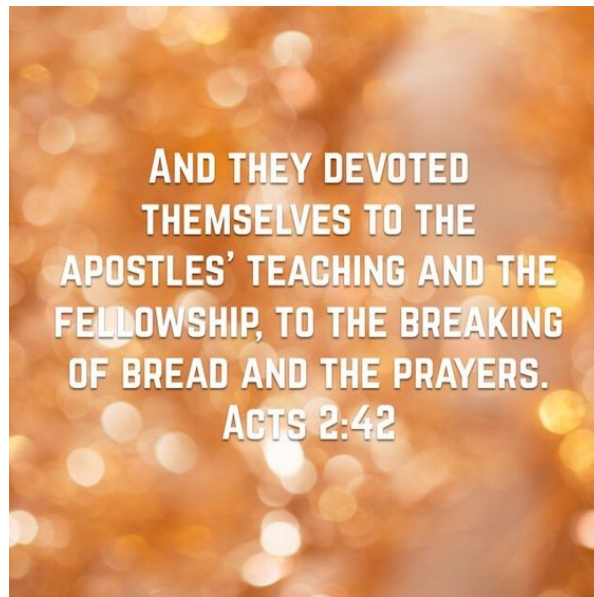
The next date to volunteer is Monday, November 14, at 1 p.m. Please sign up as there is a limit of 10 people.

ROCKIN' BOBBINS—

The sewing group will meet on Saturday, November 19, at 10 a.m.

YOUTUBE SCHEDULE

Sunday Bible Class—Luke
Sunday Worship
Wednesday Night Class—
Mysteries of the New Testament



Upcoming Events—

11/14—All Faiths Food Bank 1:00 p.m.

11/17—Ladies' Bible Class 10:00 a.m.

11/19—Rockin' Bobbins 10:00 a.m.

11/20—Feuerstacke Baby Shower 11:45 a.m.

12/10—Adult Holiday Party 1:00 p.m.

PREACHER'S COLUMN

"TRUST"

From 1999 to 2008 the U.S. Mint made quarters for each of the 50 states. They all went well, except for California and Kansas in 2005. A malfunction in the mechanical process left the quarters without one letter. The mistake showed up on quarters as this wording, "In God We Rust." How sad that some see faith as leading to a deteriorating effect. Yet, trust in God is the best way to find the opposite of rust, but a full life.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is the Lord. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river; and will not fear when heat comes; but its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of drought, nor will cease from yielding fruit." (Jeremiah 17:7-8)

Our trust in God helps us to see the world, since God is the Creator. By acknowledging God, the amazing universe makes sense. Evolutionists are left to suggest that all the intricate design, balance, and laws are all the result of mere chance. By giving God what is due to an all-knowing Designer, we are not in a place to defy mathematical probability and statistics which are certainly aligned with the existence of God. We believe what God has said, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." God is the cause behind all we see. It is amazing and He is awesome. Trusting God helps us see the universe.

Our trust in God helps us see the human race, as created in God's image. All humanity longs for more than just a life here on earth. God has intended an eternal life in a home beyond the grave. Sociologists study civilizations around the world over all history. A common belief of all peoples is life after death. How can atheists explain this commonality? Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life." (John 11:25) Also, "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth – those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation." (John 5:28-29) How faith encourages us to look beyond this life, and anticipate what God has planned for eternity. We are meant for eternity.

Our trust in God helps us to see ourselves. God loves you. God cares for you. God has not just turned away from His people. "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31) A few verses later, "We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." (Romans 8:37) Make your life full, abundant, and blessed in trusting God. What could possibly make more sense? Terry Chapman

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

From Cross Over—We live in a shrinking set of islands in the Arabian world. What used to be the unthinkable Ocean. Plane tickets have already been is now possible. Modern technology purchased, a place to stay has been has made it possible to fly around the world at 35,000 feet and still have the capability to make a phone call from your airplane seat. Because of the advancement of electronics we have been able to reach lost souls around the globe. However, there are still places in the world where some have never heard of God or held a Bible. On January 6th I am preparing to go to a

Doug Tackett

PRAYER LIST

LOCAL - TREATMENT

Mike Hertel, stress test, ablation.
Mary Rivard, ablation 11/22.
Mary Harris, home, treatment.
Betty McCracken (Mickey L.'s mother) cancer treatment.
Lois Gleason, hospice at Bay Vue.
Caroline Hellmer (Linda Vernon's granddaughter) treatments.
John Bolotin, chemo, radiation.
Eric Ipe (Mark & Robin's son)

HOME -

Chuck Richardson, home.
Linda Thompson, recovering.
Sandra Ransom, recovering.
Patrick Owens, recovering.
Mary Williamson, back pain specialist.
Donna Johnson, recovering.
Gary Jackson, health issues.
John Chain, recovering.
Sheryl Belair, pain.
Jill Plopa (Burchett's daughter) recovering from surgery.
Sue Fredenburg
Roy LaBard
Jim & Shelia Thompson
Patricia Hawk
Marianne Owens
Joe Jones
Mary Merritt

OUT OF TOWN -

Jean Churchman (IN, Dayna's mother) fell.
Ender Cosgrove (PA, Faust's grandson) good report.
Dursun & Joey Caldcleugh (TX, J. Cook's family) COVID-19.
Lucille Hunnicut (TN) challenges.
Don Lackey Sr. (AL) respiratory treatment.
Maeson Sutton (Bob's great grandson) treatments.
Mary Walker (Linda V.'s mother) broken wrist.

HURRICANE RECOVERY--

Michael Jackson family
Jaime family
Helen Adair

FAMILY LIFE COLUMN

A quick reminder – The young families will have their bowling and pizza night this evening. It will be from 6-8 at Gulf Gate AMF.

We have slowly been making changes in our education department. All classrooms will do some moving next quarter. For now, we want to offer our young moms and dads some new options and some refreshed options. From time to time every parent has had a fussy child in worship. For Vanessa, her husband can even be that fussy child. In the back of our auditorium where the nursing nursery was located, we now have rethought that space. It is now South Trail's TODDLER TRAINING ROOM. Sometimes toddlers' attention spans are difficult to deal with. This will give parents a place to help them learn about worship and the parents

can still feel like they are part of the assembly.

We have also taken Terry's previous office space and made it the new nursery. Tracee Chapman has taken time to thoughtfully organize the space. We want all of our young families and parents to feel safe and welcomed. With the support of the elders, we have made this a very comfortable space for our youth and parents. We have even replaced the rotting windows. Windows always make a space feel open. Please utilize this space or stop by and check it out today! The previous library has now been made into a new classroom. Thank you to all who helped with these projects.

Craig Embry

The youth are on lesson 7 this week.

OWLS UPDATE

Last Monday Deputy Cathy Duff from the Sarasota Sheriff's Department shared much advice on how to identify and avoid scams either through the mail, email, by phone or text. Scammers build up a sense of urgency to establish an emotional connection to draw victims in. Being asked to use a prepaid gift card is the first sign. She explained how criminals access phone contact lists to use, so caller ID isn't even effective anymore. She advised using two-step authentication, stronger passwords, and even password manager apps. The IRS and Social Security will not initially call you, so no one should ever give out personal information, especially on

games. This information may be used by strangers to guess your passwords. She also recommended running credit reports every year through reliable agents like Transunion, Experian, or Equifax, saying issuing a credit freeze prevents any new accounts from being opened using an individual's sensitive personal information. Mail may be monitored through USPS informed delivery option. The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office mobile app may also be used to monitor dispatch calls. Deputy Duff left a lot of useful information on a small table inside the fellowship hall for anyone who would like to take some home.

Deacons—

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Bruce Cook
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Dan McCartney
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Larry Reams
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David Seymour
941.879.4597 (Building)

Justin Seymour
941.650-1297 (Audio/Video)

Bob Sutton
941.493.5559 (Women's Ministries)

John Walters
812.881-9319 (Special Events)

Jason Wohnhas
614.519.0195 (Young Families)



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TRAIL MIX—The Holmes are out of town for a couple of weeks. Terry and Gwen are vacationing in north Georgia.

ADULT HOLIDAY PARTY—The adult holiday party will be on Saturday, December 10, at 1:00 p.m. This is always a highlight of the year. Sign up to bring a dish to go with the meat provided. Desserts are always good during the holidays! Plan to bring a gift, (\$10 limit, man brings a man's gift and a woman brings a woman's gift) for a fun gift exchange game. Mark it on your calendar, and plan to enjoy fellowship with your South Trail family at a special time of year.

BABY SHOWER—A baby shower for Terry and Jordan Feuerstacke will be held on Sunday, November 20, following the morning worship. The baby is a girl and they are registered at babylist.com. Everyone is invited to attend.

MEMORIAL—A memorial service for Joan Mastrandrea will be held on Saturday, November 26, at 11:00 a.m. here at South Trail. There will be a lunch to follow. Keep the family in your prayers.

Worship Assembly 11/13/22

Song "We Have Come into His House" #296
Welcome/Song Leader Tony Long

Song "Take Time to Be Holy" #731
Prayer Richard Whitesell

Song "Unto Thee, O Lord" #794
Song "Follow Me" #395

Lord's Supper & Contribution

Preside—Charles Thurman

Song "The Way That He Loves Me" #323
Song "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" #528

Scripture Acts 2:40-47 Mason Embry
Sermon "The Bible" Doug Tackett

Invitation Song "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" #111
Shepherd's Prayer/Announcements Ron Doederlein

Sound Room—Justin Seymour
Projection—Mike Chivleatto
Communion Assist—Bob Sutton

Youth Programs

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes
Florida Bible Camp
Vacation Bible School

Ladies' Projects

Rockin' Bobbins Sewing Group
Ladies' Bible Class

Seniors

OWLS (Older Wiser Loving Servants)

Edification

Equip (Orlando July 2023)

Benevolence Ministries

Mt. Dora Children's Home
Churches of Christ Disaster Relief, Nashville

Mission Works

Italy, Ukraine
Nicaragua
Upper Valley, Vermont
India
France

In Search of the Lord's Way, WGN & WTOG Sun a.m.

11/6/22

Attendance Sunday AM — 173

Budget \$9,580 Contribution \$8,914
YTD Budget \$431,390 YTD Contribution \$490,486

YTD Disaster Assistance Contribution \$13,050

Why We Believe What We Do

Welcome to the church of Christ at South Trail! We are glad to have you with us, as we strive to present the love of Jesus to you. Our goal is to teach others about Jesus and His Word.

If anything is clear today, it is the gross religious confusion in the world. Why do people choose to seek God in so many ways? How can anyone know they are right?

These questions are very serious ones. No one should consider them trivial. A long time ago God said, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." (Proverbs 14:12) God has a prepared way. We are to find it through His Son. (Matthew 17:5) Jesus declared, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven." (Matthew 7:21) For this reason, we believe that the study of the Bible is to find answers to life's most important questions.

The church of Christ is not a denomination. It is neither Catholic nor Protestant, but strives to be the church Jesus founded nearly 2000 years ago. The gospel has not changed, so we urge obedience to the same conditions of salvation. When a person obeys the gospel, that person

becomes a Christian, nothing more or less. Undenominational Christianity is all that existed in the New Testament, so we teach that today. The basis is the Bible as our only creed. All doctrines, creeds, confessions and catechisms are written by uninspired men. Seeking to restore the church of the New Testament is our goal. Therefore, we speak where the Bible speaks; and we are silent where the Bible is silent.

In the New Testament the Lord has provided a complete pattern for His church: the names, doctrine, organization, worship and mission. Our desire is to please God by honoring His design for the church, to love and serve one another in our community. Caring and sharing is the Lord's way. The church is unified in its mission to reach out to the lost with the only hope of the world—Jesus! We pray that you may seek to please Him in the same way.

If you are a Christian and are looking for a local church, we would invite you to work with us to bring glory to God as we worship God in spirit and truth; practice fellowship and service toward one another; teach God's word to both the lost and saved; reach out to our community in love; and look forward to the eternal blessings in heaven.

Terry Chapman

ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

LOCAL:

Dan Starostecki (Allison's son-in-law) severe back issues.
Tracy & Danielle Mellins (Deb Hasty's neighbors) health & family issues.
Dot Ann Erickson (Deb M.'s friend) health, financial, family issues.
Linda Clayton (Bassett's friend) recovering from surgery.
Ashley Geiger (Susie J.'s cousin) broken legs.
Barbara Thompson (Linda V.'s relative) Doctors Hospital, tests.
Patricia, Brittany, McKenzie, & Trenton Bollinger (Brenda's friends)
Cole Lehman (Hertel's nephew) ICU, ruptured spleen.
Jeanie Evans (Miralyne's sister) finished treatments.
Charlie Bass (Bob Hughes' friend)
Jennifer Prime (Bob Hughes' friend)
Dan Watnem (Reams' friend) colon cancer diagnosis.
Dana and Krissy Smith (J&M Seymour's neighbors) Krissy on chemo treatments.
Lon Schindler (member at 53rd Ave.) home.

OUT OF TOWN:

Jackie Conner (Steve G.'s friend) recovering from stroke.
Jane Boatwright (Archer, FL, Sandra's H.'s sister) bladder cancer.
Ron Garner (Wesley Chapel, Gwen's brother) recovering from stent procedure.
Sherry Woodall (TN, Donna C.'s friend) low immunity, COVID-19,
Margie Franklin (MT, LaBard's friend) recovering, doing better.
Evelyn Moses (NJ, Miralyne's cousin) recovery.
Phyllis Chester (Clearwater, Miralyne's friend) cancer treatments.
Laurel Gilbert (Riverview, LaBard's friend) pain.
Staci Wyatt (AR, Embry's friend) lung cancer diagnosis.
Mark & Barb Ruleffson (KS, D&L Thompson's friends) Barb in end stages of pancreatic cancer.
Chuck Jordan (KY, Miralyne's friend) mass on colon.
Ed Troutman (AR, Bonnie L.'s brother-in-law) cancer.
Brenda Herman (IN, Dayna's cousin) dialysis.
Ken Shumard (GA, Bob's brother) recovering from cancer treatments.
Sharon Adams (AR, former seasonal member) treatments.
Karen Hipp (Orlando) treatments.
Aline Wineland (TN, Mary R.'s cousin) treatments.
Jay & Piera Young (VA)
Lynda Bailey (VA) leukemia.
Hillard & Alma Story (MO)
Dave Doederlein (CA)

OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS: Austin Jackson (FGCU); Cameron Dunn (FGCU); Avery Boyette (Germana); Tayven Clark (FAU); Amanda Sawyer (UNH); Hannah Holder (SCF); Presley Blunkall (USF); Keira Jackson (UH); Andrew Miller; Ashley Bess (Santa Fe)

OUR FAMILY AT HOME OR ASSISTED LIVING: Jim Thompson, Mary Harris, Charlotte Haznedar, Jim Lewis, Sue Fredenburg, Lois Gleason, Paul & Betty Gerber, Paul Miller, Margaret Earls.

OUR MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS: Dan Walters (Army); Hunter Mangrum (Navy); Nick Hertel (Navy & Police Dept.); Kiana Kirkland (Air Force); Mariah Sanders-Solis (Army National Guard); Aaron Boyette (Coast Guard); Tim Tramel (National Guard); Scott Bickel (Air Force); Brandon Hughes (Air Force); Kyle Zinsner (Marines); Michael Jackson (Sheriff Dept.); David Dunn (Sheriff Dept.); Cody Linderman (Sheriff Dept.); Greg Irwin (Fire Dept.); Steve Rissler (Fire Dept.); Ben Carpenter (Fire Dept.); Ryan Hellmer (Fire Dept.); Amber Mangrum (Fire Dept.); Derek Kroll (Police Dept.); Terry Chollera (security)
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