

November 4, 2018

TODAY: Bible Classes - 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:15 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6:30 p.m.
Messages by PASTOR JIM BYRD
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WEDNESDAY: NO MID-WEEK SERVICE

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IN THE LORD WILL I REJOICE

Tune: DOXOLOGY, (LM)

Words by Pastor Jim Byrd

(Based on Habakkuk 3:17-19)

*Although the fig tree shall not bloom,
And nothing fills the harvest room;
Yet in the LORD will I rejoice,
And praise His Name with heart and voice.*

*When olive trees shall have no yield;
Nor crops array the summer field;
Untroubled may I still rejoice,
And praise the LORD with heart and voice.*

*When stalls are quiet with no stock,
And folds are empty with no flock;
LORD give me grace to still rejoice,
And praise Thy Name with heart and voice.*

*Salvation is by God alone,
Who reigns upon His sovereign throne;
So in the LORD will I rejoice,
And praise His Name with heart and voice.*

*The LORD my strength and stay shall be,
For time and through eternity;
Forevermore will I rejoice,
And praise His Name with heart and voice.*

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We extend our sympathy to Howard and Susan Frantz; his sister Nina passed away last week.

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BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Nov. 4 Bill Pennington
Katie Walker
6 Emmitt Kuehne
7 Kim Ratliff

Nov. 8 Evelyn Stephens
Danita Elliott
Blake McLeod
9 Rachael Turner

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There will be no midweek service this week. Our conference is next weekend and we look forward to blessed times of worship. Sign-up sheets are on the front table for food and clean-up.

Friday: 7PM – Pastor Tim James, Sequoyah Baptist Church, Cherokee, NC
8PM – Pastor Gary Shepard, Sovereign Grace Baptist Church, Jacksonville, NC
Light refreshments

Saturday: 10AM – Pastor Shepard
11AM - Pastor James
Lunch
6PM – Pastor Shepard
7PM – Pastor James

Sunday: 10AM – Pastor James
11AM – Pastor Shepard
Lunch
There will be a nursery provided each service.

NO EVENING SERVICE

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When you feel like saying, “There is no hope for me; I am too great a sinner; I am too weak and unworthy,” let me remind you of a few things. YOU WOMEN, have you read of the women who were in the lineage of our Lord (Matt 1:3-6)? What did they have to recommend them to God? Have you ever read of Mary Magdalene or the harlot who kissed His feet? It seems to me that the one thing they all had in common was their sin and need of Him. YOU MEN, pick out any of the true followers of our Lord: Peter, the man in the tombs, Zacchaeus, the thief on the cross, Saul of Tarsus – and tell me what good can you find in them. Dear sinner friend, my Master always goes where He is MOST NEEDED AND MOST WANTED—among the chief of sinners! Let others preach to the self-righteous; my gospel is designed for those who labor and are heavy-laden, for those who have nothing, are nothing, and can do nothing but cast themselves on His loving mercy! Let me say, your sins can never keep you from Christ, but your righteousness will. —Henry Mahan, from our bulletin, 2/28/1988

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Thankfully there is a remedy for people who are disobedient to divine law and that is the gospel of the grace of God. The gospel is good news concerning the person and work of the Savior whose bloody death enabled the Lord to be a just God and the Savior of sinners. God saves law-breakers in a manner honoring to His justice which demanded death as the penalty for sin (Romans 6:23). “Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law” (Galatians 3:13); He suffered the wrath of God in the stead of those given Him by the Father and paid our debt of sin in full.

There is not, however, any remedy for those who are disobedient to the gospel. It is written that Christ shall return “in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thes 1:8). The gospel is the glad tidings of the grace, peace, forgiveness, righteousness, life and salvation of God through the redemptive work of Christ. Men are disobedient to the gospel when they refuse to believe the record God has given of His Son (1 John 5:11). A very solemn question is asked in 1 Peter 4:17: “What shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?” Thankfully, there is a remedy for disobeying the law, but be warned, there is no hope for those who disobey the glorious gospel of the blessed God. —Pastor Jim Byrd

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“Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might; let not the rich man glory in his riches; but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord” (Jer. 9:23-24). Do you, my poor, proud, vain, sinful heart, after so much as has been said to you of Jesus and so much as you have been taught of your need of Jesus, did you need this precept? Oh yes, my soul! Every day it needs to be sounded in my ears and written over again by the Holy Ghost upon my heart. Now it is, Lord Jesus, I learn from this why you are so suited to a poor convinced sinner. You only are the Lord our righteousness and therefore let those who know not their own worthlessness nor Your glory boast in what they may. Let others talk of what they will, I see plain enough there is no one but You for a poor soul to rejoice in. The wise men have no wisdom, but in the Lord; the mighty man has no strength, nor the rich man any riches, but if You are my Portion, You are made of God to be my wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption; and then indeed I shall glory in the Lord! —Robert Hawker, edited