



BAKER HEIGHTS ON TEXAS AVE CHURCH of CHRIST



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Today is a day the Lord has made,
let us rejoice & be glad in it.

Focus on the Positive

***** Love one another! *****

Lives Matter!

I have been struggling lately as many of you have, with the racial tensions which have reached new levels in our nation. I recall my first reaction as a “white, middle class, Christian male” when I heard the phrase “Black lives matter”: I remember being a little put off, and more than a little offended. My first thoughts were, “well, of course black lives matter! Lives of all colors matter!”

There has been a lot of discussion lately about that statement. How we respond in this moment will ultimately determine how committed we are personally to finding solutions for the racial issues that are tearing our nation apart. For me personally, it has been a wake-up call. Crying “All lives matter” has for me been the equivalent of saying “My life matters, look at me...”, directing the attention away from the problem at hand and focusing on myself. “What about me? Doesn’t my life matter too?”

The answer is simple. The answer is complex. We are all precious to God. All of our lives matter to God, but our black fellow-citizens are suffering in ways that may be difficult for many of us to understand. Our black brothers and sisters are suffering in ways that may be incomprehensible to most of us. What will be our response? Many choose to disregard the pleas. Many choose to settle into their lack of understanding of the problem and not listen with open minds and hearts. Many choose to relegate the problem to panic, hysteria or even to some victimization complex.

God’s people, those who claim Jesus as their Savior, are called to greater things. We are called to deny the selfish desire to say “What about me?”, and rather say: “What can I do to help my brother?” or “What can I do to gain a better understanding of the situation?”. We are called to a love that seeks the good of others above ourselves. Are we committed to growing together in our understanding of one-another, in our mercy and in our love? All of us, especially as Christ-followers, belong to one another. We are one. We are not “us and them” we are “us”! Let’s be committed to one-another and to the dialogue that peacefully looks for solutions!

“If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it”. 1 Corinthians 12:26-27

Larry Sullivan

ORDER OF SERVICE

KIDS’ TIME

#253 – How Shall the Young Secure Their Hearts?

#606 – Sweet Moment of Prayer

PRAYER

#400 – Living by Faith

#440 – My Jesus, I Love Thee

COMMUNION

#523 – Our God, He is Alive

SCRIPTURE READING – Joshua 14:6–12

SERMON – **“Keeping Our Faith Out of the Mothballs”**

#663 – There is Sunshine in My Soul

ELDERS PRAYER

TIMES OF SERVICES

9:30 a.m. – Group Bible Class – Auditorium

(No Children’s Bible classes in this phase)

10:00 a.m. – Worship Service – Auditorium

(Special seating areas reserved for those “At Risk”)

(No Sunday p.m. worship in this phase)

(No Feeding the Flock meals in this phase)

(No Wednesday classes or Devo in this phase)

(Pantry open by appointment only – see next page)

***** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY *** CALL & ENCOURAGE A FRIEND*** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY *****

Prayer List

BHCC MEMBERS:

Leroy Mason – HMC 6629

Jena Madeley – new chemo treatment (will lower her immunity so she may not be able to worship with us for a few months)

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Shanna Dea Murray (visitor) – for grandparents' health issues

Eric Hardegee (fmr member) – recovering at home

Stephanie Perry (niece of Chris Lana) – health concerns

All Missionaries:

Chipata Bible College and all the preachers in the field.

All Military & First Responders

All Patients and Workers in Nursing Homes & Hospitals

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:

Penelope Perry (niece of Chris Lana) who died 06/09

THOSE BATTLING CANCER:

Jena Madeley, Lewis Maness, Kay Procter, Larry Taylor, Jesse Thomas, Minnie Woody

All our family members & friends dealing with cancer & treatments.

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Brenda Amonett, Eldon Amonett, Phyllis Bonner, Janet Bruns, Mamie Crane, Norma Dotson, Jo Potter, Leroy & Mary Mason, Frances Pruett, Melinda Simmons, Dean & Nelda Stewart, Laveta Youngquist.

Be sure and look at **Larry Sullivan's** online videos for Sunday evening sermons and Wednesday devotional thoughts.

On FaceBook or on YouTube search for "Baker Heights Church of Christ". Scroll down until you see the picture of Larry and play the latest or past videos.

Contribution Statistics

<u>Month</u>	<u>Monthly Totals</u>	<u>(per week) Average</u>	<u>(per week) Goal</u>
March	\$42,39	\$8,479	\$9,600
April	\$34,787	\$8,696	\$9,600
May	\$38,174	\$7,635	\$9,600
June	\$11,575	\$11,575	\$9,600

Good Morning

This last week some of our BHCC kids attended White River Youth Camp. White River will always have a special place in my heart: I have been involved out there, in some form or fashion, for the last 26 years. It is the place I met my wife. Our ten year old daughter spent the first few weeks of her life at camp. I have shared countless laughs and even some tears at camp. But as much as camp has a personal importance in my life, the thing that brings me back year after year is the spiritual impact it provides the youth kids at Baker Heights.

This last week, our kids had a lot of fun and shared a lot of laughs, but they also spent more than 33 hours on spiritual focus, instruction and worship. It would take these same kids over three months of never missing a Sunday or Wednesday class to get the same amount of instruction. They studied, worshiped, and prayed with kids from Texas, other states, and even a few from other countries. Christian camps, used and run properly, can play a huge positive role in the spiritual development of kids. Please take some time today to ask the kids who just got back from camp about their experiences and what they learned this last week. If you have, or know of, a kid who would benefit from the camp experience, we will be taking another group to White River for the 4th session week (June 28th – July 4th). So, please register now while there are still spaces available. If camp isn't "their thing", please make sure you find as much time as possible to connect them with others who love Christ and are striving to get to heaven.

Luke Bower

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

16 – June Ky Rowe
17 – June Taylor Claxton, Patsy Scoggins
19 – June Kay Procter

THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

14 – June Koby & Lindsey Vasek
17 – June Ralph & Kay Procter
20 – June Mike & Amanda Layland

A note on the above Birthdays and Anniversaries: For security and privacy reasons, we are only printing the date and name/s of the members celebrating. For address info use the online directory.

DVD's & CD's of online sermons are now available on request by calling the church office, Monday – Friday, 9 am to 1 pm.

PANTRY HOURS

PLEASE NOTE: Until further notice the PANTRY is by appointment only on Wednesdays from 5:30 – 6 p.m. IF you need to utilize the pantry, please call the office for an appointment – 325-692-6974 – (Mon – Fri, 9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)



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