

FROM FAITH TO FAITH

GRANBURY STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

THINGS THAT ARE CERTAIN

AT THE GRANBURY STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

NOVEMBER 5TH - 8TH

SUNDAY, 9:00 AM - THERE IS A GOD IN HEAVEN

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM - JESUS IS LORD

SUNDAY, 5:00 PM - WE CAN TRUST THE BIBLE

MONDAY, 7:00 PM - GOD REIGNS

TUESDAY, 7:00 PM - THERE IS ONE CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM - JESUS IS COMING



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Sunday

Bible Study
9:00 am
AM Worship
10:00 am
PM Worship
5:00 pm

Wednesday

Ladies Class
10:00 am
Bible Study
7:00 pm

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Social Unrest

Kevin W. Rhodes

The pervasiveness of decay in today's society pounds a steady drumbeat of immorality threatening not only to destroy the culture but more specifically to undermine the very essence of truth. Under such circumstances, the faithful struggle to maintain their place and even their identity amongst the onslaught of negativity hurled against Christianity and morality in general. As frustration with the environment builds, so does the inner cry for God to do something about it, and so God's people today can appreciate Asaph's plea opening Psalm 83, "Do not keep silent, O God! Do not hold Your peace, And do not be still, O God!" (Psa. 83:1).

The enemies that rose up against Israel displayed a hatred toward God and His people which serves as a reminder of the relationship between darkness and light (Psa. 83:2). Likewise, the foes we face have many faces and come from various directions, and the combination of their efforts wears down the resolve of the weak (Psa. 83:5-8). It feels much like a conspiracy against all that it is right as Satan and his cohorts "have taken crafty counsel against" God's people (Psa. 83:3). They want to eliminate godly influence and the role of faith that challenges their godlessness (Psa. 83:4). However, their ignorance reveals their weakness. They do not realize the power of God that fuels the fire of faith. Therefore, even in tumultuous times the godly can have confidence that God can overcome them today just as swiftly and surely as He did in the past. The means may differ (Psa. 83:9-10), but their end will follow the same path of

all those who presumptuously opposed Jehovah (Psa. 83:11-12). They boast in their wickedness in the moment, but God will destroy their works in the end. They will not stand against His Word forever but will perish in their pride (Psa. 83:13) and flee with fear when the LORD rises up to defend His cause (Psa. 83:14-15). However, despite all the evil they have done, the divine desire remains "That they may seek Your name, O LORD" (Psa. 83:16). It is not vengeance we seek against our enemies but indeed their own salvation, if they will but listen. For if they reject God and His will, they will "be confounded and dismayed forever;" they will "be put to shame and perish" (Psa. 83:17). For in the end, God will be glorified, and all will acknowledge that Jehovah and Jehovah alone is "the Most High over all the earth" (Psa. 83:18).

Thus, while God's people today justly speak out with righteous indignation as the forces of darkness led by the prince of the power of the air lead wave after wave of desolation against righteousness, relentlessly charging into the fray to bring down the godly standards that provide the support for society and prevent anarchy, the opposition of Christians must be more than an effort to repel the attack; it should also persevere ever onward in pushing the truth forward so that even our enemies might come to seek God and His righteousness (Matt. 6:33). Therefore, may our prayer, even regarding our most virulent foes, be for their correction and salvation. May God defeat their works, and may God's people win them over to the truth.



News and Notes

Prayer request...

- Margaret Ash, Dale and Cheryl's mother, fell and has a closed compression fracture of the first lumbar vertebra.
- Ruth Collins is going to have tests.
- Tom Collins' mother, Mary, is in room 159 at Colonial Manor Nursing home.
- Danny Lee, Nan and Henry Homan's nephew, has exhausted all his options and is in hospice Care. He wishes to convey his heartfelt appreciation for all your prayers and cards, as do we.
- Dyne (Dean) Pinkerton fell last week hurting her back.
- Hazel Townsend new room number is 115-A still at Ridgeview Rehab.

Please remember in prayers

Amy Hackler, Pam Jones, Casey Lehtinen, Nan and Henry Homan's nephew Danny Lee, Dianne Melton, Johnnye Parrish, Terri Stucky, Tommy Thompson, Darlene Walker, Carrie Williams.

Please note...

- We will have singing in the auditorium from 4:00-4:45 Sunday, October 22nd.
- 5th Sunday will be October 29th. We will have our regular morning services, lunch in the annex and 1:00 PM Question and Answer section for our afternoon service.

Centurion of Scripture Challenge 2017 (NKJV)

Galatians 6:1-2

Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Those who Serve

Lords' Supper: 10/22

Front South

Mike Hight
Clark Lehtinen
Bill Hughes

Back South

Joe Warlick
Dennis Lane
Jim Hudgins

Front North

Kenneth Helm
Doug Jones
Daniel Hughes

Back North

Mark Stubblefield
Doug Kilcrease
James Henslee

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM	Justin Hewlett
	Tim Norman
Sunday PM	Sid Carruth
	Rob Stidolph
Wednesday PM	Joshua Haynes

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:	Dale Ash
Wednesday	Jeff Day

Song leaders:

Sunday AM	Dale Ash
Sunday PM	Dale Ash
Wednesday PM	Russ Jones

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday	J. D. Allen
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Collection Counting

Andrew Collins / Joshua Haynes

Beacon of Truth, Pat McIntosh's internet radio program will be on Monday thru Friday at 7:00 AM.

Expositions, Kevin's new television program, airs at 7:30 pm Monday nights on GBN and will re-air on Saturdays at 2:30 pm.



Sermons for Sunday

AM	Characteristics of Our Calling Exodus 19:1-9
PM	Waiting for Justice Psalm 94:1-23

Calendar of Events



10/29	5 th Sunday Q&A
11/5-8	Gospel Meeting with Mark Hanstein
12/10	Congregational Dinner
1/19-20	Evangelism Seminar with Rob Whitacre



Our Records

Bible Class.....	155
AM Worship.....	186
PM Worship.....	139
Wednesday Bible Class.....	118
Contribution.....	\$9,547

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