

EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

MARCH 3, 2019



Minister: Bryant Evans **Youth Minister:** Jonathan Ling

Minister, Sand Creek Church of Christ in Guyana: Innocent Marcello
Minister, Awarawaunau Church of Christ in Guyana: Elvis Bernard



Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!
Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!

Elders

Sid Chupek
Scott Kelly
John Langham

Deacons

Chad Chupek
Tim Kenney
Jonathan Ling
Scott Lloyd
Kent Purser

Sunday

Bible Class 9 AM
Worship 10 AM
Worship 5 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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Today's Sermons

Morning Service

Why do Bad Things Happen to
Good People:
Understanding Choice
Genesis 2: 16, 17

Evening Service

Does God Care When I Hurt?
John 11:35

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Genesis 2:16, 17 ESV



We have a wide variety of events, such as game nights, trips to various local events, singings, and devotionals for all ages.

**See more
details inside the bulletin!**

Events for today:

Lads to Leaders will be having Puppet Practice at 4:00 PM and Bible Bowl will be on Exodus 21-40 following our evening services.

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Events for this week:

Tuesday:

Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM

Men's Weekly Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM
(all meet in the Fellowship Hall).

Thursday:

Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Saturday:

Congregation Bowling, 2 PM at Eastern Shore Bowling Lanes. See Jeffrey King with questions.

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Next Sunday:

Lads to Leaders will be having Puppet Practice at 4:00 PM and Song Leading Practice is following our evening services.

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Rilyn Ford was baptized last Sunday night. She is the daughter of Andy & Chastity Ford. Please keep her in your prayers.



03/06 Addison Chupek
Caleb Ratliff
03/08 Linda Ledford
Lucretia Owens
03/12 Beatrice Rogers
03/17 Patti Van Iderstine
03/18 Jesse & Amanda Olive
03/20 Les Bland
03/25 John Sibley
03/28 John & Sandra Sibley

New Directory Pages of the Ratliff family and Judy Singleton are available in the foyer.

Wonderful Wednesdays:

Our next meal has been changed to March 13th. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the Fellowship Hall.

Congregational Bowling, Saturday, March 9th, 2 PM at Eastern Shore Lanes. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Please see Jeffrey King for any questions.

If you would like to send a card to Melinda Sanford's mother her address is:
Betty Haynes
260 Ivy Place
Oxford, AL 36203

Mark Your Calendar!

- 03/10 L2L Puppet practice at 4 PM and Song Leading practice following our evening services.
- 03/11 Free Tutoring for Math & Reading Community Outreach, for 4th grade and up from 5-8 PM here at the church.
- 03/12 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 03/13 Free Tutoring for Math & Reading Community Outreach, for 4th grade and up from 4-6 PM here at the church.
- 03/15 Congregation Game Night, 6:30 PM here at the church building. Please bring games, snacks and drinks.
- 03/16 Ladies Monthly Bible Study, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item to share.
- 03/17 L2L- last day to make changes to hotel rooms.
Youth Area Wide at Regency church of Christ.
- 03/18 Free Tutoring for Math & Reading Community Outreach, for 4th grade and up from 5-8 PM here at the church.
- 03/19 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 03/20 Free Tutoring for Math & Reading Community Outreach, for 4th grade and up from 4-6 PM here at the church.
- 03/21 Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 03/22 Knowledge Seekers, 6:30 PM. Location is TBA.
- 03/24 Hotel fees are due for L2L Convention in Orlando, FL. See Jonathan Ling for any questions.
L2L Puppet practice at 4 PM and Bible Bowl Mock Competition with Adults following our evening services.

Was David Really A Man After God's Own Heart:

By: Wayne Jackson for *The Christian Courier*

"How can God describe David as a man 'after my own heart' (1 Sam. 13:14; Acts 13:22) when he did all of those wicked things that are recorded in the Bible about him?"

That David's life was considerably flawed, as we view the matter from the lofty mountains of New Testament morality, admits of no doubt. But there are several issues that must be taken into consideration in assessing his life in a balanced way.

- (1) David's life must be viewed, first of all, in its historical context. He lived in that "moonlight" period of the Mosaic dispensation. Those were rugged times, relatively primitive, especially compared to the greater revelation of the era of Jesus Christ. It is, therefore, unfair to judge him by the exalted standard of New Testament ethics.
- (2) The biblical record does not attempt to veneer his blunders. It honestly and openly throws the floodlight upon both his triumphs and his tragedies. This impartiality is clear evidence of the inspiration of the sacred Scriptures.
- (3) David had periods of egregious weakness (e.g., his sin with Bathsheba and the murder of Uriah). He was brutal at times – God forbade him to build the temple because of his violence. Certainly he was less than ideal as a father.

But one thing is certain – he had a soul that could be touched with truth. He was unafraid to admit his transgressions. He broke his own heart by his lapses of spirituality. One only has to read his psalms of penitence (e.g., Psa. 32; 51) to sample the tenderness that adorned his spirit.

It was not so much, then, the nature of his sins (grievous as they were) that is significant; rather, it was what he *did* about those blemishes when confronted with the crude reality of them (cf. 2 Sam. 12:13ff).

- (4) David's life is not to be judged exclusively in terms of its valleys of failure, but rather the whole landscape must be surveyed. Whatever may be said of some of his awful deeds, it is acknowledged by most that his deportment was one of progress. Even Thomas Carlyle, a bitter critic of organized Christianity, described David's life in complimentary terms. Of the shepherd king's psalms, Carlyle wrote:

"I consider [these] to be the truest emblem ever given us of a man's moral progress and warfare here below. All earnest souls will ever discern in it [the book of Psalms] the faithful struggle of an earnest human soul towards what is good and best. Struggle often baffled – sore baffled – driven as into entire wreck; yet a struggle never ended, ever with tears, repentance, true unconquerable purpose begun anew" ("Heroes and Hero-Worship," p. 72; as quoted in McClintock & Strong, *Cyclopaedia*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1968, II, p. 699)

In considering the matter of David's legacy, it might be well for those critics, who negatively assess the great king's character – 3,000 years removed from the events – to reflect upon how the Hebrews viewed the history of David. The common expressions "city of David," "seed of David," "throne of David," and "house of David," are testimonies to the stature of the man – in spite of his mistakes. The fact that Jesus acknowledged himself as the "son of David" is, in itself, a commentary on the greater status of the celebrated king (cf. Mt. 22:42ff; cf. 12:23; 21:9,15).

In view, then, of these various aspects of the biblical narrative, it is not difficult to see how David might be judged overall as a great religious leader.

Please keep in your prayers:

Toni Sunday– is asking prayers for her son, Bobby Hirst.
Kent Purser, John Langham, Andy Dukes – pray for them while they are in Guyana.
Wanda Bland– her foot surgery was canceled due to cardiac complications and received a pacemaker.

Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:

Gus Stranch– leukemia (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine).
Betty Holt- Breast cancer & Alzheimer's (friend of Glenda Verrett).
Kristy Laster– Liver cancer (neighbor of Isenhowers).
Jeff Stewart– Brain cancer. (friend of Jerry Doughty).
Cheryl Lawrence- cancer (friend of Jo Ann McDonald).
Dina Von Campe– Breast cancer.
Patrick Hubble- cancer (mother is a friend of Amanda Lloyd).
Susan Burns- cancer (Daughter of Sue Long).
Ankitha Valdez- a 3 year old who was diagnosed with stage 4 Hodgkins Lymphoma. (classmate of John & Sandra Sibley's grandson, Cameron).
Judith Sluder- cancer (Daughter of Bob & Linda Ledford).
Sharon Vandevender- cancer (wife of Donna Neu's nephew).
Betty Haynes- Stage 4 ovarian cancer (mother of Melinda Sanford).
Joann Horne- stage 2 lung cancer (Susan Purser's aunt).
Sarah Kennedy- breast cancer (friend of Patti Van Iderstine).

Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

MaeBelle Perry, Vi Vines, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, Hampton and Gail Bush, James & Ann Christopher.

Help us keep our **bulletin & sick list** up to date!
Please email **Glenda** at glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com
to have someone added, updated or removed from the sick list. Thank you!

Privileged to Serve

Greeters: Chad & Erin Chupek
Usher: TR Clevenger
Jr. Usher: Logan Ling
Communion: Glenda and Emily Verrett
Building Lockup: Peter Verrett
Treasurer Assistants: Scott Lloyd and Jonathan Ling
Hospitality Team Dianne Jones
Yard Team Kent Purser

Sunday Morning

Lord's Table (presiding): Johnny McLaughlin
(serving): Andy Ford
Robert Jones
Tony Jackson
Tim Kenney
Leading Prayer: Kent Purser
Jerry Brown
Leading Singing: Jesse Olive
Scripture Reading: Caleb Ratliff
Nursery: Susan Ling

Sunday Evening

Leading Prayer: Scott Lloyd
Fritz Saint-Louis
Leading Singing: Noah Evans
Nursery: Bobbi Evans

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