

## TIME OF SERVICES

### Sunday:

Bible Classes 10:00 A.M.  
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.  
Worship Service 6:00 P.M.

### Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7:00 P.M.

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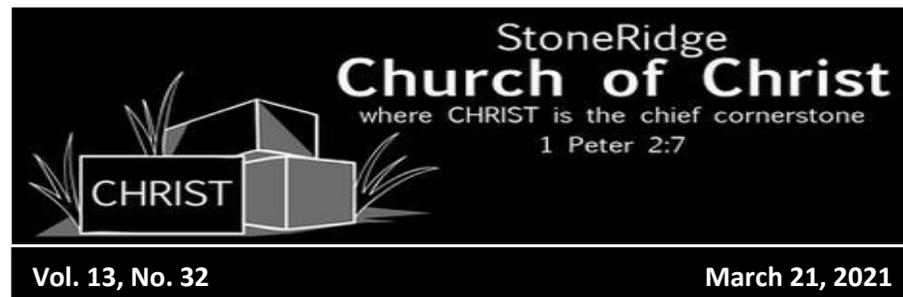
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## **STOP PRETENDING YOU CARE ABOUT TOLERANCE**

It has been remarked upon many times that the people who most regularly preach “tolerance” are often the people who are least likely to demonstrate it. I have found the “tolerance mob” to be largely vicious, ruthless, and as close-minded as any group on Earth. This has been observed a million times over because the dichotomy is just so absurd and so obvious that you can’t help but observe it and comment on it.

But why? Why is it that the people who have raised tolerance to a virtue are so incapable of living by the virtue themselves?

I think the answer goes beyond mere hypocrisy. The answer is that these people cannot live by the tolerance virtue because tolerance is not a virtue. It is a word that means very little and, in terms of moral principles, it means nothing. No person on Earth can be perfectly tolerant, nor should they. The value of tolerance depends completely on what is being tolerated and why. Things that are intolerable should not be tolerated. To tolerate the intolerable is to be a selfish coward. There’s nothing virtuous about it.

You might say that we should tolerate people, not ideas necessarily, and therein lies the virtue. But that’s nonsensical. What does it mean to tolerate a person? It means to simply put up with his existence. Well, yes, we should put up with each other’s existence because the only other option is homicide. Refraining from first degree murder is not a virtue, though. And besides, we shouldn’t just tolerate people, we should love them. Tolerating people requires nothing of us. Loving them, however, means willing their good. And, believe it or not, actively willing their good might even require a certain amount of intolerance. – *Matt Walsh*

## ***Back Home!***

If I had the power to turn back the clock,  
Go back to that house at the end of the block –  
The house that was HOME when I was a kid,  
I know that I'd love it more now than I did.

If I could be back there at my mother's knee,  
And hear once again all the things she told me,  
I'd listen as I never listened before,  
For she knew so well just what life had in store.

And all the advice my dad used to give,  
His voice I'll remember as long as I live;  
But it didn't seem really important then;  
What I'd give just to live it all over again.

And what I'd give for the chance I once had,  
To do so much more for my mother and dad;  
To give them more joy and a little less pain;  
A little more sunshine – a little less rain.

But the years roll on and we cannot go back,  
Whether we were born in a mansion or shack;  
But we can start right now – in the hour that's here,  
To do something more for the ones we hold dear.

And since time in its flight is traveling so fast;  
Let's not spend it regretting that which is past;  
But let's make tomorrow a happier day  
By doing our "good for others: -- TODAY. *Unknown*



It makes a fellow  
feel humble to  
ponder whether  
people would have  
noticed his absence  
if he'd never been  
born.

## ***News/Notes/Quotes***

**THE SICK.** ...**Freddy Horton** and **Teddy Horton** have both been dealing with health issues but are showing improvement...**Virginia Bishop** is still having some health issues and has been unable to be out... **Shutins: Beverly Allen** is confined at home...**Charles Bradsher** is at St. Elizabeth's Place...**Gail Brooks** has been unable to assemble...**Shirley Coots** is confined at Walnut Ridge Nursing Home...**Elizabeth Keller** is at The Springs Nursing Home. **Editha Kern** is at Liberty Park Assisted Living. **Bob** and **Jean Evans** have been confined at home but were able to attend last week.

### **GOSPEL MEETINGS**

**April 4-9, 2021 – STONERIDGE! – Mickey Galloway**  
**October 3-8 – STONERIDGE! – Wayne Fancher**

**MEAL LIST.** A meal list has been posted on the bulletin board for brother Galloway and his wife Donna while they are here with us during the meeting. Let's try to get that filled in before the meeting begins.

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS.** 1<sup>st</sup> – Jenny Crisler; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Avery Ellis, Jeanne Erickson; 8<sup>th</sup> – Carol Kern; 13<sup>th</sup> –Carter Camp, Carter Holt; 14<sup>th</sup> – Matthew Cunningham; 17<sup>th</sup> – Haley Kortan; 19<sup>th</sup> – Jerry Spencer; 20<sup>th</sup> –Paula Cossey; 28<sup>th</sup> – Mason Stevens; 30<sup>th</sup> – Tracy Cossey

***Gossip needn't be false to be evil – there's a lot of truth that shouldn't be passed around.***

***A fellow without money is only broke – without love, he's broken.***

***It's easier to love everybody in general than to demonstrate concern for a specific group at a specific time.***

***Nobody ever finds time to do church work --- they make it.***

***Folks are quick to condemn a man who does wrong ... unless he's a church member and then they condemn the church.***

If you live for the next world, you get this one in the deal; but if you live only for this world, you lose them both.

