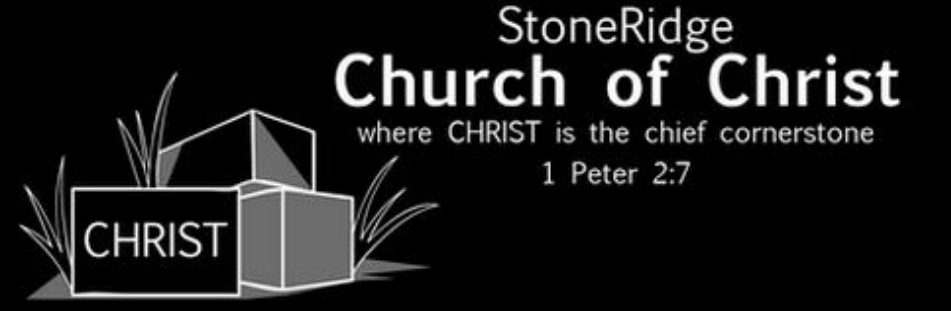


TIME OF SERVICES	
Sunday:	
Bible Classes	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	
Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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 1 Peter 2:7

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Matt Bassford was a young gospel preacher who passed away a few weeks ago from Lou Gehrig's Disease. He had trained for and became an attorney, but his first love was preaching the gospel. He was very talented and had written a number of hymns that are being used by brethren today. His widow wrote the following note: *While I don't believe that December 25 is the actual birthdate of the Messiah, the birth and death of Jesus Christ is relevant to every day we live. Life is rough, but we don't have to weep because of the hope that Jesus brings. To that end, I offer a hymn that Matt wrote and then posted on his blog in July of 2016:*

O Zion, End Your Weeping

O Zion, end your weeping;
 Lift up your heart and sing;
 In Bethlehem is sleeping
 The Christ, your promised King.
 Arriving as a stranger;
 Yet yours to celebrate,
 This baby in a manger,
 Though lowly, shall be great.

With those whose voices thunder
 Around the throne above
 Come magnify in wonder
 This miracle of love.
 In faith , proclaim the story
 To comfort all who mourn
 While giving God the glory,
 "Rejoice! A child is born!"
 -Matt Bassford

With sign and proclamation
 The knowledge of salvation
 His gospel word begins:
 Forgiveness of your sins.
 The sunrise that is dawning
 Shall make your warfare cease,
 For Christ, the star of morning,
 Will guide your feet in peace.



BE
KIND

BE GENTLE
APOLOGIZE

KEEP A PROMISE

FORGO A GRUDGE

WRITE A LETTER

MEND A QUARREL

FORGIVE AN ENEMY

ENCOURAGE YOUTH

TRY TO UNDERSTAND

GIVE A SOFT ANSWER

LAUGH A LITTLE MORE

WELCOME A STRANGER

EXPRESS YOUR GRATITUDE

THINK FIRST OF SOMEONE ELSE

SEEK OUT A FORGOTTEN FRIEND

GLADDEN THE HEART OF A CHILD

EXAMINE YOUR DEMANDS ON OTHERS

SPEAK YOUR LOVE AND SPEAK IT AGAIN

MANIFEST YOUR LOYALTY IN WORD AND DEED

DISMISS SUSPICION AND REPLACE IT WITH TRUST

TAKE PLEASURE IN THE BEAUTY AND WONDER OF THE EARTH

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THE SICK. ...**Virginia Bishop** has been in the hospital being treated for blood clots. She should be back at home by the time you read this... Also overcoming surgeries are **Gracelyn** and **Levi Lands**, and **Holly Kortain**. **Debbie Spencer** is going to be treated with non-invasive means for her back issues for the time being ... **Frances Jones** is still recovering from a fall in which she injured her back... **Karen Livesay** has an upper GI scheduled for January 29... **Pat Spencer** is still taking regular chemo treatments... **Sherry Horton** has been taking some back injections. We're glad she was able to be out last week..... Remember to pray for **Chloe Humblet** who is away for some extended treatment **Shut-ins:** **Rhea Vines** (at Roger's house)...**Gail Brooks** room 423 Lawrence Hall, Walnut Ridge... **Rita Kieffer**, St. Bernard Village ...**Shirley Coots**, Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... **Joyce Riley** at St. Elizabeth's Place... **Bob** and **Jean Evans** at home...**Betty Shrable** at home. Pray for these!

PODCAST! Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from **John Mundy** on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am., or you can catch it throughout the day.

EXTRA COPIES. A couple of weeks ago we had an insert in the bulletin titled **Should A Man Desire To Be An Elder?** There are a few extra copies available on the credenza.

NEW MATERIAL FOR SUNDAY AUDITORIUM CLASS. The elders have decided on some new subject matter for some of our classes beginning the first Sunday of the new year. Some will be studying the eldership. The auditorium will be studying "Encouragement" as it relates to leadership roles Teddy's class on Ecclesiastes will be temporarily interrupted. The first lesson for next Sunday will be handed out today. Our first class will on January 7, 2024. Be sure to get a copy.

A thorough knowledge of the Bible is worth more than a college education . -Theodore Roosevelt

You may not understand all you read in the Bible, but you can obey what you do understand.

