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**October 2024 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**OUR PURPOSE:**

***“Embracing the love of Jesus through ministry, mission & witness”***

**“Commanded to be Holy”**

by: Pastor Casey Chapman

1 Peter 1:13-15 says, “Therefore, with your minds ready for action, be serious and set your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires of your former ignorance. But as the One who called you is holy, you also are to be holy in all your conduct; for it is written, Be holy, because I am holy.”[[1]](#footnote-1)

In this passage we are commanded to be holy. Let’s remember what it is to be holy. Because God is holy, He cannot stand to be in the presence of sin. This is why Jesus called out on the cross *“Elí, Elí, lemá* *sabachtháni?”* that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Mt 27:46). Jesus, the Son of God lived a sinless life and was constantly in fellowship with the Father, but on that day when He was crucified, He took on the sins of the world and because of this His fellowship with the Father was temporarily broken because God cannot stand to be in the presence of sin.

It is because of Jesus’ sacrifice on the cross and willingness to take our sins upon Himself that we may have the gift of eternal life and enter the presence of the Father when we believe in Him, confess our sins to Him, and repent.

So then if we are commanded to be holy what are we waiting for? As your pastor I urge you to separate yourselves from things that are sinful. Separate yourselves from this world. Just because we reside in this world for a short while does not mean that we need to partake in its pleasures.

Abstain from TV shows that promote false doctrine, that lift up Satan and his demons. Keep yourselves from lust and things that cause lust. Change patterns in your life that led you to previous sin.

Give yourselves to the transformation and renewing of your mind so that you may be good and pleasing to God (Rm 12:2).

The time is now. If we want God to take our faith to the next level, the time is now to honor Him and follow His commands. Amen.

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 1 Peter 1:13-16, HCSB.

 

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**/\*ANNIVERSARIES**

01 – Nathan Walters

02 – Thelma Bortz

08 – **\*Andrew & Val Gindlesberger**

13 – Bruce Howard

15 – **\*Monty & Jean Teeter**

16 – **\*Randy & Kim Klein**

18 – Mark McGaughey

19 – Zane Anderson

19 – Randy Klein

24 – Richard Jennings

24 – Rebecca Ames

26 – **\*Don & Carolyn Dunn**

26 – Don Dunn

29 – C.J. Raines

If your special day has been missed, please contact the church office. 620-356-2305

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***Scheduled to Serve in October*:**

**Elders:** Jason Phelps, Tammie Hensley

**Deacons:** Kelly Howard, Cheryl Moyer

 Robin Collum, Shelley Phelps

**Deacon Ass’t:** Trace Phelps

**Communion:** Kim Klein/Kelly Rae Howard

**Worship Leaders**:

06: Rhonda Anderson 20: Jean Teeter

13: Monty Teeter 27: Tamra Rundell

**Greeters:** Deacons for the month

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SMCC cares about you! You are loved and prayed for when you’re here and when you’re NOT here. AND YOU ARE MISSED!!!!! Remember, this is your home away from home!

**General Offering to SMCC thru September 29th**

**$ 155,102.65**

**Thank you, God, for the generosity of this**

**Community of Believers and may their love for you and each other be an inspiration to reach out to those who are in need of knowing You and believing in your love, peace and grace.**

*If there is someone who is not on the prayer list but needs to be, please let the office staff know. We do want to pray for those in immediate need!! So, keep us updated, PLEASE. Rhonda*

**REMINDER**

If you have a loved one in the hospital, please let the church office staff know (620-356-2305).

**Known Prayer Concerns & Joys:**

Shirley Kuriyama, Mike & Edith Bowden, Evelina Velasquez (cancer), Gary Riley, Adam Heinrichs (surgery), Leona Smyth, Kim Klein, Greg McHenry (Linda Post’s brother), Meredith Drees (friend of Lana Anderson), Larry Daniels, Brad Bevan, Kay Whaley (cancer), Sharon Nagel, Nancy Grace (cancer), Gary Brady (broken heel), Chris Banuelos, Rudy Perez, Norman Hensley, Ron Limper, Catherine Fowler, Bob & Lorine Myers, Sherie Riley, Dave Taylor (friend of Monty), Sharon Phelps, Linda Metcalf, Kim McGaughey, Norma McCauley, Bob Moore, Sara Watson, Kasich Smyth, June Mason, Titus Smith.

Prayers for those who have recently lost loved ones!

**Pray for our Armed Forces:** Maison Wiginton,Dylan Carroll,Canyon Collum (Poland),Adam Lambing, Corey Ungles, Lacy Rundell.

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**Regular Monthly Schedule**

**Sunday 9:30 A.M. –** Christian Ed Classes

 ***Odds & Ends* – “Angels”**

 **10:30 A.M. –** Worship Service

 ***1st Sunday* 9:00 A.M.** – Elder’s Meeting

**Monday 6 to 7 P.M. –** Bible Study

**Wednesday 9:00 A.M.** **– Bazaar Work Day**

 **7:00 P.M. –** Choir Practice

 ***3rd Wed*.**  **6:15 P.M.** – Special Wednesday

 Prayer Meeting with Elders in the Sanctuary

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**Monthly Schedule for OCTOBER 2024**

**Oct. 2nd – 9:00 A.M. Bazaar Work Day**

**Oct. 3rd** **– 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.** Sons of Thunder

 @ Bear Creek Coffee-Meal at 6:30

**Oct. 6th – 9:00 A.M. Elder Meeting**

 **10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

 **LIVE on Facebook**

**Oct. 8th – 7:00 P.M.** Board Meeting

**Oct. 9th – 9:00 A.M. CWF Meeting**

**Oct. 10th – 6:00 P.M.** Prayers & Thanks for rain-

 in Memorial Park across from the hospital

**Oct. 13th –10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

 **‘Feast of the Tabernacles’ (need help setting up)**

**Oct. 16th – 9:00 A.M. Bazaar Work Day**

 **6:15 P.M.** Prayer Mtg in Sanctuary

 led by the Elders

**Oct. 20th –10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

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**Oct. 23rd – 9:00 A.M. Bazaar Work Day**

**Oct. 27th – 10:30 A.M.** Worship Service

Message by Pastor Casey Chapman

 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Oct 27th

 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICE TO

 VOTE ON SMCC LEADERSHIP FOR 2025

**Oct. 30th – 9:00 A.M.** Bazaar Work Day

 HALLOWEEN ‘Trick or Treat Trail’

 October 31st –4:00 to 6:00 P.M.

SMCC is participating again this year. Come and

 see your church staff as the **‘Three Blind Mice’**

1. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)