

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
March 3, 2013

Clay City Church of Christ

Dates to Remember :

Men's Business Meeting is **TODAY**, the first Sunday of the month, immediately following morning worship. All men are invited to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for March will be Daniel Newell. Please make plans to attend.

Church Singing takes place the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.WSKV – 104.9 FM

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Sharon & Donald Olinger, Anna Vires, Correne Hatton, Joe & Debbie Slone; Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list.

.....*the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*
James 5:16

Our men and women serving in Afghanistan and other war torn areas.
Greater love hath no man John 15:13

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The Church food pantry is in need of nonperishable food items. Please bring in donations as you are able. This is a ministry we can all participate in. No one should go hungry.



Pantry Item of the Week: Potatoes: Instant or Canned

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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: What Must I Do To Be Saved?.....Mack Rice
Sunday P.M.: What Must I Do To Remain Saved?.....Daniel Newell



Psalms 46:4-7 (NKJV) ⁴ *There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, The holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High.*

⁵ *God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God shall help her, just at the break of dawn.*

⁶ *The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved; He uttered His voice, the earth melted.*

⁷ *The Lord of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.*
Selah

Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick..... Jody McCoy
Songs of WorshipCharles Rice

Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship.....Chris Chaney
A.M. Closing Prayer..... Joe Slone
P. M. Opening PrayerKyle Lucas
P.M. Closing Prayer.....Greg Brewer

March:

Communion:

Reading..... Jody McCoy
Serving..... Walter Rice & Charles Rice
Communion to the Sick.....Shane Burgher & Jody McCoy
Collection..... Rob Little & Shane Burgher
Prepare Communion..... Sue Rice
Van Driver Shane Burgher
Cleaning Outside Walter Rice & Jody McCoy

Let's Laugh a Little

A man who planned a vacation hardly knew what to do with his dog. So he wrote the motel manager and asked if he could bring his dog. The motel manager wrote back:

"For 25 years I have been in this business. Never has a dog been careless with a cigarette and set fire to the bed. Never have I found a motel towel or blanket in a dog's suitcase. Nor have I ever found a whiskey ring on a dresser caused by a dog's leaving a bottle on it. Furthermore, never have I called the police to evict a disorderly dog. We welcome the dog and if he will vouch for you, you may come along with him".

A bachelor was asked, "Why is it that you never married?"

"Well, this is why," he replied, "I kept looking for the perfect woman."

"And you never found her?"

"Oh, yes, but my luck being the way it is - she was looking for the perfect man."

The Empty Pew: (by: Bill Brandstatter)

Are you a member of the Lord's church? Are you currently attending on a regular basis? If you are not, maybe you need to consider the empty pew. The empty pew has a place reserved for you. The empty pew is saying something.

The empty pew is saying something is wrong. If you are supposed to be there and are not, something is not as it should be. Health problems may prevent you from coming. That is okay. God understands. But maybe there is some other reason. Did someone hurt your feelings? Is there a problem in your life? Do you not believe that occupying the pew is part of your Christian experience? What does that empty pew say about problems you are having?

The empty pew is saying nourishment is lacking. A person needs to be fed the Word of God to remain strong (1 Peter 2:2). In life, we have situations requiring us to lean on our faith. Hebrews 11 tells of people who were able to overcome circumstances because of their faith. If we do not feed our faith, we will become weak and unable to handle all that life gives us. Being in the pew with fellow saints and hearing the Word of God proclaimed does a great deal to increase our faith, for "faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).

The empty pew is saying there are those who just want to be left alone. I know there are many individuals who are private people. Those folks do not want everybody knowing their business. I understand and respect that. The church is for those folks and everyone else. Fellowship, however, implies a joint participation and sharing something in common.

Paul wrote that no one lives to himself and no one dies to himself (Romans 14:7). We all affect the lives of others. The church is about "one another". That term is found many times in the New Testament. It is reciprocal in nature, meaning you do it to men, and I do it back. Fellowship is that way. John mentioned having "fellowship with one another" (1 John 1:7). I cannot be a Christian as I should without having fellowship with other Christians, and that does not happen in an empty pew.

Please consider what that empty pew is saying, and make sure you are in your place the next time the saints meet. God loves you, and we love you too. You are important to Christ and His church.

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