

**Passion for God.....Compassion for People
May 20, 2012**

Clay City Church of Christ

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Please be reminded:

Pot-Luck Meal:... immediately after the morning worship services today. Everyone is welcome to stay and participate.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are TODAY. beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker will be Brother Mack Rice. Please make plans to attend.

Church Singing is the second Wednesday in each month. This is an opportunity to praise God together in song. You may also request that a particular song be sung. Please plan to attend and encourage others as well.

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday, immediately following morning worship. Plan to attend and be a part of the decision making process of the congregation.

WSKV Radio 104.9 FM.....8:30 a.m. each Sunday Morning

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Anna Vires , Joe and Debbie Slone, Sharon and Donald Olinger, Correne Hatton, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, all those on the church prayer list.

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

Our Spring Gospel Meeting begins today, with Brother Jack Hall from the Richmond Congregation speaking for us. Brother Hall serves as an elder there and has also been a popular preacher for many years. The meeting is for the benefit of our congregation and members of our community. Please make plans to come each day and invite others as well. The goals are three-fold. The first goal is to glorify God. The second is to win folks to Christ. The third is to edify the church. Please pray for Brother Hall and for the success of our meeting.

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This Week's Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.
Monday through Thursday Nights 7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Guest Speaker.....Jack Hall
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Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) 24. And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. Hebrews 10: 23-25



Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick.....	Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship	Charles Rice
A.M. Prayer before Worship.....	Alvin Goldey
A.M. Closing Prayer	Daniel Newell
P.M. Opening Prayer	Dan Newell Jr.
P.M. Closing Prayer.....	Terry Abney

May:

Communion:

Reading	Charles Rice
Serving	Jody McCoy and Greg Brewer
Collection	Dan Newell Jr and Shane Burgher
Communion to Sick	Daniel Newell, Dan Newell Jr.
Prepare Communion	Sue Rice
Van Driver	Shane Burgher
Cleaning Outside	Charles Rice and Jody McCoy

If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

In many ways, we are like the buzzard and the bumblebee. We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is look up.

- Sorrow looks back,
- Worry looks around,
- But Faith looks up.

This and That

The song “Lily of the Valley”, begins by saying, *I have found a friend in Jesus, He’s everything to me.* And it is true that Jesus is everything to the Christian. Paul says it best when he states that God – “*hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, 23. Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.*”, Ephesians 1:22-23. This was prophesied many years ago by the prophet Isaiah. In chapter 9 and verse 6 of his book, Isaiah says, “*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counseller, The mighty God, the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*”

1. Jesus is wonderful. The word wonderful comes from a Hebrew word that means marvelous and extraordinary. Jesus is not “just another prophet”. He was not an ordinary person. He was and is the blessed one of God.
2. Jesus is our counselor. This means that He is our advisor and is thus to be consulted. If there are any questions that we may have, Jesus has the answers.
3. Jesus is the mighty God. When God created the heavens and the earth, Jesus was part of that Godhead. The three, God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit all participated in the creation. And so they do today in the redemption and salvation of mankind.
4. Jesus is the everlasting Father. When the apostles were desirous to see the Father, Jesus addressed Phillips inquiry by saying, “*have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?*” John 14:9.
5. Jesus is the Prince of Peace. The word Prince means leader. The word peace refers not only to quiet and tranquility, but also to completeness in number, soundness in body, and safety in our overall health and welfare.

Jesus is truly everything to us. We should be a Christian and live the type of life that He approves of. By doing this we can be assured that He is our extraordinary counselor that represents God to us and brings everlasting peace from the Father. Think about it.

Daniel Newell
