

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
June 30, 2013

Clay City Church of Christ

Dates to Remember:

There will be a Men’s Business Meeting the first Sunday of July, 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 afternoon, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The speaker for July 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, Ellaray Campbell, and Glen Oliver. 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 a way to share with those in need. It is accessed weekly by members of our community. Please donate as you can.



Pantry Item of the Week: Canned Meat

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Elders:

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Daniel Newell..... 859-498-7941
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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 Evening 7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Rob Little
Sunday P.M.: Forgiveness Daniel Newell



The website is up-to-date with weekly bulletins and two new sermons on audio. Check these out on the “Sermons Audio” page of the website.

- Marriage and the Home by MC Rice
- The Thief on the Cross by Daniel Newell

Tell friends and neighbors about our website and encourage them to look at it. If you have items to include on the website or suggestions for improvement please see Daniel Newell.

Privileged to Serve

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

Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship Lonnie Dale Stewart
A.M. Closing Prayer Brian Rogers
P.M. Opening PrayerTerry Abney
P.M. Closing Prayer Alvin Goldey

June:

Communion:

Reading Charles Rice
Serving Jody McCoy & Walter Rice
Communion to the Sick Mack Rice and Walter Rice
Collection Greg Brewer & Chris Chaney
Prepare Communion Charlene Brewer
Van Driver Shane Burgher
Cleaning Outside Greg Brewer & Rob Little

Let's Laugh a Little

A man who was blaming the world's woes on education said to the preacher, "I know I'm ignorant; I'm glad I'm ignorant; I just hope I get ignoranter." The preacher placed his hand on the man's shoulder and said, "Brother, I feel sure that God will grant your request."

A teacher stated to Raymond: "Listen to me - this is the fifth time this week I've had to punish you. What do you have to say?" "I'm glad it's Friday," replied Raymond

A little girl asked an old preacher who was visiting them: "Were you in the ark?" "Oh, no, no," answered the preacher. "Then why didn't you drown?" inquired the little girl.

A frontiersman was asked why he rode the horse and his wife walked by his side. He candidly replied, "She got no horse."

The Substance of Study by Justin Rogers

We live in a Wikipedia world. Technology makes information both available and accessible for average readers. Whatever we don't know, we can "google". As a result, breadth of knowledge is perhaps greater now than ever before. But depth of wisdom has dwindled severely. Combined with the social media boom, which inherently encourages posting extemporaneous opinions instead of seeking studied expertise, our Wikipedia world has missed the importance of intellectual depth.

Our world desperately needs substance. Cotton candy and popcorn may serve as tasty treats, but we cannot grow strong and healthy on junk food. Far too many Christians skip the "meat" of the Word, only to rush to the sweets. These delicacies may delight the eyes, but ultimately, they leave us hungry and unhealthy. We need nourishment. We need spiritual substance. We need "wisdom from above" (James 3:17 ESV).

Bible study is the only way to obtain heavenly wisdom. Christians today do not receive miraculous knowledge (1 Corinthians 13: 8). We are not invested with wisdom from some otherworldly source. Knowledge comes only through labored Bible study.

Our brother Peter issued a great challenge for all Christians when he encouraged us to "grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). In fact, the short epistle of 2 Peter opens with a list of "qualities" the Christian ought to possess (1:2-8). Five times in these seven verses, Peter spoke of knowledge (vv. 2-3, 5-6, 8). He taught that knowledge supplements virtue and is supplemented by self control (vv. 5-6). The careful study of God's Word brings about a host of benefits that enhance additional growth.

Study prevents staleness and creates substance. The book of Hebrews warns, "We must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it" (2:1). To "pay attention" may be compared with "meditation" on the Law of God (Psalm 1:2). Study is a key element to constant spiritual development. When we fail to grow, we fall away.

Ezra "had set his heart to study the Law of the Lord" (Ezra 7:10). Apollos was "mighty in scriptures" (Acts 18:24 NASB). Timothy was educated "from childhood" to know "the sacred writings" (2 Timothy 3:15). No one can be spiritual without study.