

SIXTH AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST

ROOTED IN THE CROSS... GROWING IN CHRIST... GLORIFYING GOD

Sixth Avenue Church of Christ
 1501 6th Ave. S. ♦ Jasper, Alabama ♦ 35501
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Glad Tidings

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Classes 9:00 A.M.
 Worship 10:00 A.M./1:00 P.M.

Wednesday:

Morning Bible class (Sep-Mar) . . . 10:00 A.M.
 Evening Bible study 7:00 P.M.

Elders: Jimmie Alexander, Billy Davidson, Neil Evans, Danny Latham, Tim Shadix, David Sortino, Charles "Skoot" Wilson.

Deacons: Wayne Brown, Danny Gurganus, Phillip Horton, Danny Hyde, Phillip Jones, Steve Jones, Brack O'Rear, Conard Smith, Gary Taft, Steve Williams, Roger Wilson.

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Works of Evangelism

- ▶ Gus Nichols' School of Biblical Studies
- ▶ Myanmar Bible School
- ▶ "Fishers of Men" Program
- ▶ Tanzania Mission
- ▶ "Seeking the Lost" International Radio
- ▶ Gospel Broadcasting Network
- ▶ Apologetics Press
- ▶ Crossroads C/C (Deaf Ministry)
- ▶ Jamaica Mission
- ▶ Chatom, AL Mission
- ▶ John Hurt's Correspondence Courses
- ▶ World Bible School (correspondence)
- ▶ Vernon & Gertrude Key Memorial Scholarship Fund

Works of Benevolence

- ▶ Childhaven Children's Home
- ▶ Food Pantry; Outreach Center

Works of Edification

- ▶ Daily radio program on WJLX (1240 AM & 101.5 FM) at 8:00 A.M. www.wjlx1015fm.com
- ▶ *The Words of Truth*, a monthly teaching publication reaching over 4,000 families

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A WARM WELCOME

I want to thank every one in the congregation for the warmth with which we have been received as we have arrived in Jasper. The accommodations may not be ideal, but they are more than adequate, and to our family it is considered a privilege and a novelty to be able to stay at Indian Creek Youth Camp. The food that has been brought our way should suffice us for the duration of our stay, and the gift cards have truly been blessings. Thank you all!

Being ungrateful is a sin (Luke 17:11-19). Christians should always want to say thank you for even the smallest of kind gestures, because it truly is the thought that counts. To know that you are being thought about and prayed for by others provides a peace of mind and a comfort that makes the difficult times that much easier. Being inhospitable is also a sin (Heb.13:2). We as Christians must always be ready to provide a comfortable environment for our brothers and sisters and anyone in need because we know our greatest needs have been met through Jesus Christ. With that knowledge, we must stand prepared to use our physical blessings to provide for those less fortunate than ourselves. You here at Sixth Avenue have done that for our family in the last couple of weeks. Again, we thank you!

Our move to Jasper has felt more like a homecoming than a transition to us. With the familiarity we already had of the area, and with friends we have known for so long being so close, it has been unlike any other transplant we have experienced. You have welcomed us into your homes and lives in a way that makes us feel like family already. So don't be surprised when we drop by your homes for breakfast, or lunch, or just to say hello!

There are a couple of homecomings in Scripture which come to mind when I reflect upon the ease of transition we have experienced in moving here. The first is in Luke 15 in the Parable of the Prodigal Son. This parable is as much about the pride and the jealousy of the Jews as reflected in the elder brother as it is about the wastefulness and repentance of the younger, but there is depicted herein a reunion between father and son that should always warm our hearts. It has been said that sin always costs us more than we want to pay, it takes us farther than we want to go, and it causes us to stay longer than we intended to stay. This is especially true in the Parable of the Prodigal Son. The good news is that we can always come back home. God our Father awaits our return with outstretched arms and rejoices exceedingly every time a wayward Christian repents of sin.

A second homecoming to consider from Scripture is found in Matthew 25 in the Parable of the Talents. The master had traveled to a far country, and when he returned home he brought before himself the servants to whom he had given the talents and judged them according to how they had dispensed with the master's blessings. This is the context in which we find the desirable description, "Well done, good and faithful servant." At the Lord's return, we want to be found using the Lord's blessings to glorify and honor Him. It would be the greatest of tragedies to wear the name of Christ outwardly only to hear the words "wicked" and "slothful" used to describe us as we stand before the throne of judgment to have our true inwards selves revealed. At that homecoming, it will be one or the other for us. It will either be a warm welcome into the glorious garden of Heaven, or it will be eternal rejection from the presence of God Almighty. Choose the warmth of faithfulness!

Hopefully and prayerfully we will not be experiencing another transition of this sort for a very long time. I doubt any other congregation could provide the warm welcome that you have however, and we haven't even moved into our own house yet! We love you and we thank you, and we look forward to many long years of service together in the Lord's kingdom.

————David Dixon



FAMILY NOTES

FAITH IN ACTION TEAM #2

Faith in Action Team #2—Bob Roberts, Captain—will meet in the Ladies' Classroom on Sunday, May 13, following the Morning Worship Service, for a Brief Meeting. Please remember to bring Canned Goods for the Food Pantry.

KIDS' SING

We will have Kids' Sing on Sunday, May 13, at 1:00 p.m., before the Afternoon Service. All young people please sit on the front two rows.

CHURCH PICNIC

Everyone is invited to a church wide picnic at the home of Steve and Suzanne Jones on Saturday, May 19, 4:00 p.m. Food will be provided so just bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and yard games. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please sign with number in your family attending so we know how much food to prepare. For more info, see Carol Alexander.

FAITH IN ACTION TEAM #4

Faith in Action Team #4—Neil Evans, Captain, Kyle Shadix, Co-Captain—will meet on Sunday, May 20, in the Gathering Place, immediately following the Morning Service. Please bring chips. Also, please remember to bring Canned Goods for the Food Pantry.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RECEPTION

On Sunday, May 20, we will have a Graduation Reception, 2:00 p.m. in the Ark Room, honoring our High School Graduates: Maggie Sides; Sam Sievers; and Jakob Wilson. Please bring desserts, fruit, etc. We hope everyone will plan to stay for this event!

ELDERS' MEETING

The Elders meet every 1st and 3rd Sundays in the Church Office. If you would like to meet with them at any time, please contact the church office at 384-6446 so that you can be put on the agenda to meet with them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR CONTACT ELDER

If you have an announcement for the Contact Elder, please put it in writing and give to him ASAP before classes begin or immediately after class.

WEDDING INVITATION

*The honour of your presence
is requested at the marriage of*

Bethany Odom McGill

to

John Michael Gurganus

*Saturday, the twenty-sixth of May
two thousand and eighteen
at five o'clock in the evening*

*Sixth Avenue Church of Christ
1501 Sixth Avenue South
Jasper, AL 35501*

Reception to follow

PANTRY

Please remember our pantry each week. We give away food once each month. Our next giveaway will be Thursday, May 31, 8:30-10:30 a.m. We need **NON-PERISHABLE, BASIC FOOD ITEMS**, such as **CANNED VEGETABLES, SOUP, MEAT, & FRUIT; OATMEAL; PEANUT BUTTER, DRIED BEANS, etc.** If you would prefer to contribute money to this program, see any of the elders or Sarah. **There are boxes in the foyer for you to place your food in or you can bring your items by the church office. Thanks so much for your help!!**

GOOD SAMARITANS & FOOD PANTRY

All youth, remember to help fill our food pantry. You can bring a pantry item to Bible Class (Sunday and/or Wednesday night) each month! All youth can participate!!

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of **Elizabeth Lyon**. She was the mother of **Randy Lyon** (534 Green Avenue, Cordova 35550); and the grandmother of **Rose, Jake, Ollie, & Ian Taft** (512 Green Avenue, Cordova 35550).

Also, sympathy is extended to the family of **Hap Johnson**. He was the father of **Tommy Johnson** (50 McCollum Road, Jasper 35501) and **Randy Johnson** (100 Cove Lane, Pelham 35124); the uncle of **Bettye Pennington** (1208 5th Avenue South, Jasper 35501); and the great-uncle of **Janet & Roger Wilson** (400 Huntington Trace, Jasper 35504) and **Megan, Jason, & Reagan Mullinax** (10179 Old Tuscaloosa Road, Parrish 35580).

And, sympathy is extended to the family of **Eugene Jones**. He was the brother-in-law of **Gary & Shelby Taft** (55 McKinley Road, Cordova 35550); and the uncle of **Joe, Makenzie, Brodie, & Cainan Taft** (125 McKinley Road, Cordova 35550) and **Jake, Rose, Ollie, & Ian Taft** (512 Green Avenue, Cordova 35550).

DAILY RADIO PROGRAM

Please remember our **radio program** every morning at **8:00 a.m.** on **WJLX, 1240 AM** and on **101.5 FM**. You can also listen to the program **LIVE** at **8:00 a.m. CST** from anywhere in the world. Just go to **www.walkercountyradio.com**. You can begin your day with area announcements and a lesson from God's Word!!

DO YOU HAVE AN EMAIL ADDRESS??

Do you have an email address? Are you on the Email list at the church office? Please email the office at **sarahcroberts@bellsouth.net**. This is a very effective way to receive lots of useful information.

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

God's Grace:	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood:	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel:	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith:	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance:	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession:	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism:	1 Peter 3:21
Christian's Work:	James 2:24
Christian's Hope:	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance:	Revelation 2:10

BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

If you or someone you know would like to know more about the Bible, about God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, Heaven, Salvation . . . Enroll in a free Bible Study Course. Write to Bro. Roger Appling, Words of Truth, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ, 1501 6th Avenue South, Jasper, AL 35501, or you may call 205-384-6446. You may also request it at sixthavenuechurch.org.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Please let us know if you have a change of address! The *Words of Truth* and *Glad Tidings* **ARE NOT FORWARDED!** They are returned to us with a **\$.58** charge for each one. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. **Also, if you would like to receive either publication by e-mail, please let us know. This will save postage, and you will receive it quicker!!**

UPCOMING YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- **May 20—High School Senior Reception**, Sixth Avenue Ark Room.
- **June 27-30—Extreme.**
- **July 16-19—Vacation Bible School**, Sixth Avenue Church of Christ.

UPCOMING AREA ACTIVITIES:

- **May 13—Preaching the Gospel**, with James Watkins, 6:30 a.m. Dish Network, chan. 267; Direct TV, chan. 376.
- **May 13—Bible Talk**, sponsored by the Fayette Church of Christ, 7:30 a.m. on My Network, Channel 68 WABM; 7:30 a.m. on WCBI Columbus, MS; and 8:30 a.m. on radio AM990. Also, www.bible-talk.org.
- **May 20-22—Annual Decoration & Gospel Meeting**, Goodsprings Church of Christ. Guest speaker: Todd Clippard. Sunday: 10:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; Fellowship Luncheon; 2:00 p.m.; Monday & Tuesday: 7:00 p.m.
- **June 11-13—Gospel Meeting**, Community Church of Christ. Monday-Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. For more info: 205-920-3511.
- **June 22-24—7th Annual Southeastern Soul Saving Seminar**, Adamsville Church of Christ. Guest speakers: Clark Sims; John Daniel; Bill Cantrell; Dale Hubbert. For more info: 205-674-5659.

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THOSE TO SERVE

Contact Elder **.David Sortino**

WORSHIP A.M.—MAY 13

Lead Singing **Rob Baker**

Opening Prayer **Steve Williams**

Scripture. **Leathan Waid**

Sermon **David Dixon**

Closing Prayer **.Barry Evans**

WORSHIP P.M.—MAY 13

Lead Singing **Jakob Wilson**

Opening Prayer **.John Welch**

Sermon **.David Dixon**

Closing Prayer **.Danny Gurganus**

WEDNESDAY EVENING—MAY 16

Announcements **David Sortino**

Lead Singing **.Neil Evans**

Prayer **Jake Taft**

Invitation **Levi Sides**

(If unable to serve, please call:
Neil Evans: 221-9229
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VIDEO MANAGERS

MAY 2018

Danny Hyde and Mike Tubbs

VAN DRIVERS

MAY 13, 2018

Billy Davidson (300-6994)

MAY 20, 2018

Neil Evans (295-8902)

(If unable to drive, please call:
Bob Roberts: 388-3152)

GREETERS

MAY 13, 2018

Judy Barker; Jackie Gray
Phillip Horton
Bettye Pennington; Bonnie Plyler

MAY 20, 2018

Danny & Donna Hyde
Larry & Ginger Norris
Skoot & Kim Wilson

(If unable to serve, please call: Phillip Jones: 384-5268)

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

MAY 13, 2018

WORSHIP A.M.

Lisa Harris
Sandra Jean
Nicole Poe
Sarah Roberts

WORSHIP P.M.

MAY 20, 2018

WORSHIP A.M.

Suzanne Jones
Debbie Morris
Peggy Brown
Amy Welborn

WORSHIP P.M.

(If unable to serve please call Sarah Roberts: 384-6446 or 522-3794)