UPCOMING

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Prayer List

Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments.

- Renee Cumberland (cancer)
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Communion Preparation

December - 2025 preparation list is in foyer

Birthday / Anniversary

Connie Montgomery - 3rd Rick Carlberg - 7th Crimson Rowell - 31st Dwight & Sandra Callens - 23rd

Men to Serve

Announcements - Dwight Callens

Scripture Reading - 1 Peter 3:15 - 17

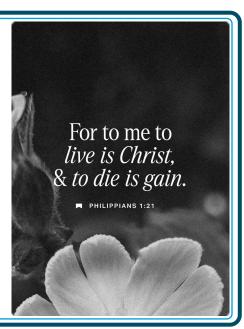
Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell

Head of Lord's Table - Larry Montgomery

Assist on Lord's Table - Mark Potts

Scripture Reading - 1 Corinthians 11:23 - 29

Closing Prayer - Shay Cooper



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WELCOME

We are a body of believers whose soul intention is to glorify and serve the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the head of His church. Our desire is to reflect that of our God--that all be saved. Anyone who is willing to humble himself before the mighty hand of God can be saved.

WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Psalms Bible Class // 9:30 am Worship Service //

10:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Colossians Bible Class // 7:00 pm

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SERMON NOTES

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The Late Mr. Common Sense

By Mike Riley

There's a trend found not only in the secular world, but in the Lord's church as well regarding the lack of good old common horse sense. Many of the problems found in the church today would simply disappear if we would properly use the intellect and reasoning capabilities that God has given each one of us (Isaiah 1:18; cf. Acts 17:2; Acts 17:17; Acts 18:4; Acts 18:19; Acts 24:25).

With the above thoughts in mind, the following selected article from a recent issue of The Sword and Staff publication is provided for our consideration:

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape.

He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

Knowing when to come in out of the rain;

Why the early bird gets the worm;

Life isn't always fair;

Maybe it was my fault.

Common Sense lived by simple, sound financial policies:

Don't spend more than you can earn.

And reliable strategies:

Adults, not children, are in charge.

His health began to deteriorate when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children. It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer Tylenol, sun lotion or a band-aid to a student, but could not inform parents if a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live as the Ten Commandments become contraband, churches became businesses and criminals received better treatment than their victims. He began to lose ground rapidly when well-intentioned, but overbearing regulations were set in place — reports of a 6-year old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate; teens suspended from school for using mouthwash (alcohol) after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, just to name a few.

His condition only worsened when it became not only punishable for you to defend yourself from a burglar in your own home, but opening the door for the burglar to sue you for assault.

Finally, there was no hope for Common Sense, after a woman failed to realize that steaming cup of coffee was actually hot. After spilling a little in her lap, she was promptly awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust; his wife, Discretion and his children, Responsibility and Reason.

He is survived by his 3 stepbrothers; I Know My Rights, Someone Else Is To Blame, and I'm a victim.

Not many attended the funeral because so few realized he was gone.