## UPCOMING

 Vacation Bible School at Duffee Church of Christ, June 17 - 21 at 6:30PM each night

#### **Prayer List**

Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments.

- Renee Cumberland (cancer)
- Cindy Harper (broken hip, had surgery total hip replacement)
- Sandra Callens (sick)

#### Communion Preparation

June - Rowell July -

## Birthday / Anniversary

Sandra Callens - 17th James Johnson - 19th Larry and Connie Montgomery - 20th Tristan and Auburn Rowell - 23rd Shay and Robbie Cooper - 31st

## Men to Serve

Announcements - Larry Montgomery

Scripture Reading - Romans 1:18 - 20

Lead Singing - Mark Potts

Head of Lord's Table - Rick Carlberg

Assist on Lord's Table - James Johnson

Scripture Reading - Luke 22:14 - 22

**Closing Prayer - Don Potts** 



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

The Spirit of Liberalism Class // 8:30 am Job Bible Class // 9:30 am Worship Service // 10:30 am

## WEDNESDAY

Ephesians Bible Class // 7:00 pm

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## **SERMON NOTES**

#### "For The Lord Is With You"

By Mike Riley

In 2 Chronicles 20:12, we read — "O our God, will You not judge them? For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes are upon You."

When Judah's King Jehoshaphat spoke those words, it was a matter of life and death. As a coalition of armies marched against Jerusalem, the people of Judah gathered to seek God's guidance and help (2 Chronicles 20:1-4).

During threatening times of disruption and change, we need to ask, "Lord, what do You want to do with this moment?" And like King Jehoshaphat, we should begin our prayer with praise to our sovereign and powerful Father in heaven (2 Chronicles 20:5-9).

God told the king and his people:

"Do not be afraid nor dismayed ..... for the battle is not yours, but God's. Tomorrow go down against them ..... for the LORD is with you" (2 Chronicles 20:15-17).

In stressful, confusing situations, we might ask a worried "What do we do now?" But if the Lord is with us, our fear will soon be replaced with rest and peace (2 Chronicles 20:29-30).

#### What Makes Me Laugh?

#### By Mike Riley

Have we ever thought about the fact that we humans are the only creatures of God who enjoy humor? The ability to laugh is distinctive only of human beings.

Laughter can also tell something about ourselves as individuals.

If a person tells us what amuses them, we can make a pretty accurate guess about the sort of person they are.

For example, if a person laughs at filthy and vulgar stories, they immediately give themselves away. If we make fun of virtue, we have embraced vice.

If we laugh at another's failure or misfortune, we have a cruel streak inside of us (cf. 1 Corinthians 13:6 NIV; Romans 1:32 NIV).

However, if we can laugh at our own frailties and mistakes, we should be able to handle life with some skill.

I fully believe that Christians have a greater capacity to enjoy healthy laughter than other folks. Why is this?

Because we live with the promise of eternal life (1 John 2:24-25) and with the knowledge that God can use even our setbacks to move us forward (Romans 8:28; cf. 2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

The wise man tells us in Proverbs 15:13, that "a merry heart makes a cheerful countenance." Conversely, the Bible also says that the laughter of fools who are living only for this life is like the "crackling of thorns" that are burned in the fire (Ecclesiastes 7:6).

Now, in light of the above observations, let's ask ourselves, "What makes me laugh?" Let's think about it!