

### **SHEPHERDS**

Barry McDowell  
Jimmy Neatherlin  
J. R. Stroble

Our Door is Open

Anyone wanting to meet with our Elders is encouraged to contact any of the elders to set up a time.

### **DEACONS**

Travis Crandall  
Larry Mitchell  
Mike Owens

### **Ministry Team:**

Jill Crandall  
Bruce Daughtry  
Tammy Frintz  
Brian McGonagill  
Glen Moore  
Eleanor Nelson  
Mark Schinnerer  
Charlie Weatherford

### **Sunday Services**

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 am  
Morning Worship 10:00 am  
Evening Worship  
5:00 pm

### **Wednesday Fellowship**

Wednesday Night Meal  
6:00 pm  
Bible Class  
7:00 pm

Welcome to  
Sunset Church of Christ

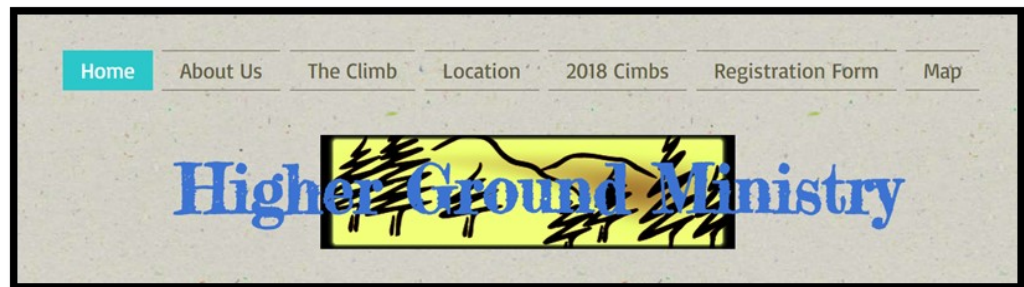


Building Bridges

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## Notes from the elders



### **Deacon Selection Dates Revised**

**Oct. 10-** The due date for nominations was extended to Wednesday the 10th as requested by several members.

**Oct. 21 (new date)-** List of nominees will be presented to the congregation with instructions on how members should handle any objections with a one-on-one discussion and the criteria for how objections will be handled if not resolved individually. Due on Oct. 21st.

**Oct. 28th (new date)-** Objections/comments returned to the committee. Committee meets over the next two weeks to address issues and meet with nominees.

**Nov. 11th (new date)-** Final list of nominees and ballot forms handed out to the congregation to be returned to the committee by Wed. Nov. 7th.

**Nov. 18th (new date)-** Installation of Deacons

### **Men's Meeting**

A men's meeting was held on Saturday, the 13th where several topics were discussed. Among the topics were camp budget overruns, church start-up at MVCC for Alto, youth minister search update, and some special prayers.

### **Register for Higher Ground**

Sign-up for Higher Ground today to elevate your faith in God to new and higher levels. Call Georgina Stroble at 575-361-3462 or J. R. Stroble at 575-302-6932 or see the link to the Higher Ground website on our website (under ministries) at sunsetchurch.org.

- November 1-4 Women's
- November 15-18 Men's

Are you ready for your faith to grow deeper? Are you struggling with something that you can't shake? Dedicate a weekend to attending Higher Ground and you will be greatly blessed by God and the Holy Spirit. Hundreds of men and women who considered themselves already committed to God have found greater depth and meaning in their walk with Jesus through the Higher Ground Experience. Others who may have faltered in their walk have received a tremendous motivation to rededicate and redirect their lives. Take a moment and watch the video testimonies on their web site.

### **New Finance Committee**

#### **Members**

We want to welcome Glenn Wells and Gordon Ingraham to the Finance Committee. They join Aaron Irving and Georgina Stroble on a vital part of our family.

## Prayer Request:

### Under the Weather



**Remember the following as they continue to heal:** Becky Cunningham, Jan Groom, The Harringtons, Lorie Mitchell, Lola Thompson, and Dee Witherspoon.

**Home Bound:** Grace Autry, Bob and Velma Brown, Durees Carriaga, Vallaree Cherry, Audrey Fisher, Vivienne Garner, Enid Gates, Lee Richards, Richard Titus, Erma Waldrop, and A.W. & LaDon Williams.

**Prayer Connection Cards:** Mike House, Basilio Florez, and Brandon Walker.

## Jill's Corner

### Why Do You Love Children's Ministry?

\*Answers taken from a survey of Bible class teachers

1. I love introducing children to Jesus Christ.
2. I love to watch the lights come on for the kids when they start to understand God's love.
3. It is my mission field.
4. It gives me an overwhelming joy when I serve God's children.
5. It's when I feel most like Jesus.
6. I love the energy that kids bring to worshipping God.
7. Because children are gifts from God.
8. I learn more about God working with kids than anything else I do in my spiritual walk.
9. I love making a difference in the life of every child.
10. It allows for faith and life experiences shared between adults and children.
11. I'm strengthening the body of Christ, now and in the future.
12. It's better to *prepare* kids now, rather than trying to *repair* their lives after the world has beat them down.
13. I love seeing the children's excitement when they walk into the classroom.
14. I love introducing children to their God.
15. Kids need to know that it's all about Jesus.
16. Children who learn about God now will make the world a better place.
17. I love to see truth sticking with them over time.
18. It helps families live out their faith together.
19. I love to see kids become FULLY DEVOTED followers of Jesus!!!
20. Children have such pure, complete and simple faith in God – working with kids reminds me that my relationship with God should be the same.
21. It's an amazing privilege from God.
22. I love to show the kids that God is awesome.
23. I love to be the first one to tell them particular stories about God's power.
24. Jesus said the Kingdom of heaven belongs to them.
25. When I prepare to teach kids, I grow in my understanding too.
26. It's fulfilling and inspiring at the same time.



**Would you like to be a part of our children's ministry here at Sunset?**

**Do you feel the need to be a part of something, but haven't found your place?**

**We always need help, and there are many different ways to help.**

**We will start our new quarter on Sunday, November 4.**

**Do you want to be a part of growing our kids in the way God has planned?**

**Contact Jill at 575-706-2521.**

## Announcements:



**This is the last week to make any changes to the directory!** There is a copy on the welcome desk for you to make any corrections or just to be added. If everything is correct please put a check mark by your name. If your picture is missing we would love to have it. Just email one or come by the office and Tammy can help you!

**Fall-a-Palooza** is this **Saturday, October 20th**. Fall-a-Palooza is a family fun event held at the **Beach Bandshell** starting at **10:00 am**. There will be games, bounce houses, face painting, and more. Most of our area churches come together to put this event on and everything is free except for the food vendors. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Jill Crandall.



**Tim Brumfield** will be speaking on **Sunday, October 28th** in class and service. He will speak on his ministry work. The class will be a combination of all adult classes in the auditorium.



**Trunk or Treat** will be **Wednesday, October 31st** here at the building from **6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. We need lots of help with candy donations and volunteers to decorate the trunks of their cars and hand out candy. There will be a cake walk so if you like to bake we could use your cakes, cookies, and brownies. **We will be having a contest for the best decorated trunk!** There will be food for sale and the proceeds for that will go to the Youth Group.

## Brian's Corner

### God Grows Us One Step at a Time

*“So get rid of your old self, which made you live as you used to — the old self that was being destroyed by its deceitful desires. Your hearts and minds must be made completely new, and you must put on the new self, which is created in God’s likeness and reveals itself in the true life that is upright and holy”* (Ephesians 4:22-24 GNT).

Although God could instantly transform us, he has chosen to develop us slowly. Jesus was deliberate in developing his disciples, just as God allowed the Israelites to take over the Promised Land “little by little” so they wouldn’t be overwhelmed (see Deuteronomy 7:22). He prefers to work in incremental steps in our lives.

Why does it take so long to change and grow up? There are several reasons:

- We are slow learners. We often have to relearn a lesson 40 or 50 times to really get it. The problems keep recurring, and we think, “Not again! I’ve already learned that!” But God knows better. The history of Israel illustrates how quickly we forget the lessons God teaches us and how soon we revert to our old patterns of behavior. We need repeated exposure.
- We have a lot to unlearn. Since most of our problems — and all of our bad habits — didn’t develop overnight, it’s unrealistic to expect them go away immediately. There is no pill, prayer, or principle that will instantly undo the damage of many years. It requires the hard work of removal and replacement. The Bible calls it “taking off the old self” and “putting on the new self” (Romans 13:12; Ephesians 4:22-24; Colossians 3:7-10, 14).
- Growth is often painful and scary. There is no growth without change, there is no change without fear or loss, and there is no loss without pain. Every change involves a loss of some kind. We fear these losses, even if our old ways were self-defeating, because, like a worn-out pair of shoes, they were at least comfortable and familiar.
- Good habits take time to develop. Remember that your character is the sum total of your habits. You can’t claim to be kind unless you are habitually kind. Your habits define your character.

There is only one way to develop the habits of Christlike character: You must practice them — and that takes time! There are no instant habits. Paul urged Timothy, “Practice these things. Devote your life to them so that everyone can see your progress” (1 Timothy 4:15 GW).

### Talk About It

- Why do you think God allows us to go through pain and loss while we are growing spiritually?
- What is a bad habit that you’ve had trouble changing? How is God helping you with this right now in your life?
- What one thing do you need to practice doing every day so that you are developing more Christlike character?

*Contribution For*  
*Sunday, October 14th, 2018*

The meal is at 6:00 pm and Bible class starts at 7:00 pm. Volunteers for Wednesday night meals are needed. Sign up on the calendar in the kitchen or call the office at 887-1278.



<b>Checks</b>	<b>Average</b>
\$6,842.20	\$10,316.78
<b>Bills</b>	<b>Weekly Budget</b>
\$427.00	\$11,166.00
<b>Change</b>	<b>Weekly + or (-)</b>
\$2.16	\$(849.22)
<b>Online Giving</b>	<b>Kid's Cash</b>
\$815.00	\$223.00
<b>Total</b>	
\$8086.36	

<b><u>Wednesday, October 10th</u></b>	
<b>Ladies Bible Class</b>	
<b>Evening</b>	
<b><u>Sunday Morning</u></b>	
<b>Bible Class</b>	
<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>216</b>
<b>Evening Worship</b>	

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*PERIODICAL RATE*

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*Men to Serve for Sunday, October 21, 2018*

<b>Speaker:</b> Charlie Weatherford	<b>Men To Serve</b>	<b>Greeter &amp; Nursery Schedule</b>	<b>Communion Talk Schedule</b>
<b>Worship Leader:</b> Mark Schinnerer	<b>Communion:</b> Chris Pulice		
<b>Welcome:</b> Glynn Shelton	Gene Riggs	<b>Greeters:</b> Green Team	<b>October 28th-Barry McDowell</b>
<b>Scripture:</b> Steve Peterson	Bernie Sanchez		
<b>Communion Service</b> Cody Layton	Carter Saler	<b>Welcome Desk:</b> Gay Lynn Tivis	<b>*We have had some men move away and some new members added, so I am working on a new list. Thank you in advance for your patience.</b>
	Eugene Santo	<b>Nursery Attendant:</b> Chrystal Pulice	
	Lynn Shelton		
	Andrew Sims		
	Jason Sims		