

Today's Order of Worship

Announcements: Greg Lowery

Song Leader: David Key

Opening Prayer: Greg Lowery

On the Table: Head - Billy Box
Servers - Arlen Foss
Gary Addison
Eddy Dickinson

Closing Prayer: Al Corkren

Preparing the Lord's Supper Katie Berryhill

Weekly Service Times

Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 am

Morning Worship 10:45 am

Evening Worship 5:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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A Personal Relationship With Jesus Christ



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He Thought He Was Right

By James E. Farley

One of the most interesting and colorful figures in American history is Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th President of the United States. He was born in 1858 and died in 1919. Roosevelt served our country well as Governor of New York, U.S. Congressman, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Lt. Col. in the U.S. Army and leader of the "Rough Riders," Vice President, and, then, President of the United States of America. He was the first United States citizen to be awarded the Nobel Prize, and the only U.S. President to be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Teddy Roosevelt was born into a privileged family. His grandfather was a very successful businessman, and the family was "set" financially. However, Teddy was a sickly child. He was in poor health and suffered all his life with terrible eyesight, but he was determined and entered into a regiment of physical exercise that proved very beneficial to him, physically, all his life. Throughout his life he insisted on much physical exercise and was well known as "...an advocate of the strenuous life."

The family owned a farm called "Sagamore Hill" in New York State and spent most of their summers there. After his "retirement" from the political arena, Roosevelt remained one who liked physical labor. Mrs. Roosevelt would mark certain areas of the farm that she thought should be cleared, and T.R. would rejoice in chopping trees and clearing brush. One day his zeal got ahead of him. His zeal, coupled with his extreme near-sightedness, caused him to chop down several trees, and, in his zeal, he even mistakenly chopped down a telephone pole! Sagamore Hill was without any telephone service for an entire day due to his mistake. He would later grin and say that Mrs. Roosevelt would always chuckle just a little each time the telephone would ring after that day.

This humorous story from the life of the vibrant Teddy Roosevelt, serves well to offer us a lesson. One can be truly zealous for a cause and absolutely think he is right, but be as wrong as was Mr. Roosevelt when he chopped down the telephone pole. Just because one THINKS he is right does not make it so. The Word of God says, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." (Proverbs 14:12).

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Don Lawrence: surgery for block arteries went well but discovered that he has blockage to his kidneys, please be praying that recover goes well from recent surgery and that the blockage to his kidneys can be removed

Mary Rainey: she has bone cancer throughout her body, please be praying for her and her family

Maylene McWhirter: her blood gases are showing signs of myeloid leukemia, please be praying for her and her family

Jack Waldon: {Linda’s Brother-In-Law} he is under hospice care, please keep him and his family in your prayers

Billy Lee: {Carolyn’s Brother} diagnosed with renal failure, please keep him in your prayers

Jimmie Ann Hardy {Carolyn’s Sister}: having ongoing health problems, please continue to pray that she can receive help for these problmes

Connie Autrey: recent scans show that the cancer is shrinking, please continue to pray that the treatments will continue to work in defeating her cancer

Doug Roberts: is in the nursing home in Hamilton recovering from a recent stroke, please keep him and his family in your prayers

Bobby Sanderson: is back home and continuing to improve, please pray that this improvement continues and that he has no further problems

Arthur Ewing: has lung cancer, please pray that he will be able to receive treatment that can help him

Robeana Green: has been diagnosed with cancer, please be praying that with treatments that this cancer can be defeated

Upcoming Events

October 7 th	Country Place	2:00 pm
October 14 th	Nursing Home	2:00 pm
October 21 st	Fellowship Meal	
October 21 st – 24 th	Our Gospel Meeting {Guest Speaker: Roy Williams }	

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Angie Ganey Gardner: she has been diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer, please pray that this cancer will be treatable

Larry Harris: has been diagnosed with lung cancer and will be taking treatments, please pray that the treatments will be successful in defeating this cancer

Amy Weeks {Donna’s Niece}: has asked for prayers to help overcome addictions, please pray that she will turn to God for help and strength

Lisa Cotton: will have a tumor removed from her neck which is next to the carotid artery October 1st, let us be praying that the surgery will be successful and no cancer will be found

One of the best examples from the Bible of this point is Saul of Tarsus. Here was a religious man (Galatians 1:13-14) ... a truly zealous and sincere religious man (Acts 23:1) ... and one who thought he was doing what was right, but he was as wrong as two left shoes! As he stood before King Agrippa to make a defense, Paul spoke about his life before he became a Christian and while he was actually persecuting and killing Christians. He said to the king, "I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth..." (Acts 26:9).

What about YOU, my friend? Are you trusting in your own heart, in your own feelings as a guide in religion? This is a foolish path indeed, for the Word teaches, "He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool ..." (Proverbs 28:26). Jeremiah of old said it best, "O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his own steps." (Jeremiah 10:23). Do you believe that Jesus is Christ? Have you repented of your sins? Upon the confession of your faith, have you been buried with Christ in baptism for the remission of your sins? (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 2:37-38; 8:36-39; 22:16)

The Bible is our guide and light to direct us in this dark world of sin and error. (Psalm 119:104-105). We are to walk in the light in order to be children of light. (1 John 1:5-7; John 12:36; Ephesians 5:8; I Thessalonians 5:5).

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Let's Go Running

By Dan Jenkins

The Bible often mentions athletics. That first-century world had its “Olympics”—not with the ancient duplications of the marathon from Greek culture, but the Romans regularly had sporting events where athletes competed with one another. Paul speaks of one fighting (boxing) not as one just throwing punches into the air, but one who faced the opposition head on (1 Cor. 9:26). The writer of Hebrews described runners who removed the weights from their body which they had used in training but then removed for the actual competition (Heb. 12:1). Let's look at four times running is found in the Bible.

They Ran To Jesus

We know the story of the rich, young ruler who came to Jesus and was told to sell all he had. He wanted Jesus' answer so much that he came running to Jesus (Mark 10:17). On another occasion, just before Jesus fed the 5,000, He departed with his disciples in a boat. The people from all the cities actually anticipated where He was going and ran to be there when He arrived (Mark 6:33). Oh, that our world would see Him this way and run toward Him. Oh, that all my brethren would run to Him!

They Ran Away From Jesus

Think about the events on Passover night and all that happened in Gethsemane. The mob approached sleeping disciples and praying Jesus, and Judas betrayed Him with a kiss. Though Peter temporarily defended Him, the situation got so bad that “then all the disciples forsook Him and fled” (Matt. 26:56). How tragic! When He could have called thousands and thousands of angels, He had to face death by Himself. God, help us to never run away from Him!

Jesus Runs To Us

To see Jesus is to see the Father and to see the Father is to see Jesus. They are the same in nature. Jesus beautifully describes the love of fathers (and by application describes the love of the Father) in the story of the prodigal son. Put yourself in the place of that wayward son as he approached his father, and imagine what he felt when he saw the father running toward Him. Now imagine yourself coming to the Savior and the joy to see Him running to us!

We Run With Jesus

They were told, “I will be with you until the end of the age” (Matt. 28:20). When they carried the gospel to the lost, they were never without Him—not even once. He promises us that He will never leave us nor forsake us. His presence assures us that heaven will do all it can in helping us in His work. Do not cower in fear. Boldly stand with Him. Let's run to Him as He runs toward us and with us. Victory is assured!

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