

Rose Hill Newsletter

"Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common"
-Acts 2:44



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Local Mission Works

- Brown Bag of Columbus
- Correspondence Courses
- Lads to Leaders
- Ladies Weekly Bible Class
- Thursday Night Bible Study
- Pastoral Institute Counseling

Sunday, January 23, 2022

UPCOMING AT ROSE HILL

Tuesday: Ladies Bible Class Canceled

Wednesday: Bible Study 7pm

Thursday: Bible Study 7pm

Sunday Morning Bible Classes

Auditorium	Nathan Diller
Teen Class	Michael Riggs
Cradle Roll	Julie Hill / Annie Kate Cobb
2's & 3's	Carol Fonville/Diane Mock
BDZ	Alan Fonville /Lauren Brewer
BDZ	Sarah Diller / Jennifer Durham

Wednesday Bible Classes

Auditorium	Nathan Diller
Teen Class	Michael Riggs
Cradle Roll	Buffy Glenn / Julie Hill
2's & 3's	Chris & Jessica Hosmer
BDZ	Stan Riggs / Wendy Vander
BDZ	Gabe & Sydney Johnson

Utter Joy and Utter Tragedy

Maria Popova wrote an article a few years ago about Alan Lightman, a professor at MIT. He had written an essay in a book called *The Accidental Universe* where he had described his belief that there is nothing more to life than this world—that we are here by accident and that when we die we simply cease to exist.

But in his essay, Lightman pointed to the tension he feels as a person who believes there's nothing more to the universe while also facing the fact that he is aging and will leave this world before long. He reflects on his daughter's wedding day:

"It was a perfect picture of utter joy, and utter tragedy. Because I wanted my daughter back as she was at age ten, or twenty. As we moved together toward that lovely arch, other scenes flashed through my mind: my daughter in first grade holding a starfish as big as herself, her smile missing a tooth ... now she was thirty. I could see lines in her face."

Utter joy meets utter tragedy. Why? Because every beautiful moment is soon a moment *gone by*, a moment that cannot be lived again, and a moment closer to ceasing to exist—at least from Lightman's perspective.

In light of this, Lightman says that what he believes about the universe is in conflict with something deep within him:

"Despite all the richness of the physical world — the majestic architecture of atoms, the rhythm of the tides, the luminescence of the galaxies — nature is missing something even more exquisite and grand. Some immortal substance, which lies hidden from view. Such exquisite stuff could not be made from matter, because all matter is slave to the second law of thermodynamics.

Perhaps this immortal thing that we wish for exists beyond time and space. Perhaps it is God. I cannot believe that nature could be so amiss. In my continual cravings for eternal youth and constancy, I am being sentimental. Perhaps I could accept the fact that in a few short years, my atoms will be scattered in wind and soil, my mind and thoughts gone, my "I-ness" dissolved in an infinite cavern of nothingness. But I cannot accept that fate even though I believe it to be true. I cannot force my mind to go to that dark place."

CS Lewis, once an atheist himself, spoke of these inner longings and senses that there is more to reality than this material world. He put it this way: "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world."

Much more could be said about that, but suffice it to say that this is part of what Paul is talking about in Acts 17:27. He says that God "is not far off" from us, but has positioned himself so that we can "reach out and find him." Certainly he reaches out to us through the created world, through the Scriptures, through the church—and yes, even through our innate sense that there must be more to the story than "utter tragedy."

Nathan Diller



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning Bible Class	9:30
Sunday Morning Worship	10:30
Sunday Online Worship	10:30
Wednesday Evening Bible Class	7:00

PRAYER LIST - MEMBERS

*Several of our kids and adults have COVID.

**Marsha Crump* had cataract surgery on Thursday.

**Becky Rodgers* was unable to get foot surgery this week because of an infection in her toe. Her surgery will be rescheduled for a later date.

**Pat Johnson* is home recovering.

**Billy McQuilton* is recovering.

**Larry Stewart* is having issues with his leg.

Ongoing Health Issues:

Donna Greene

Larry & Margaret Stewart

Ron & Judy Mixon

Anne Jones

Craft, Mae

Debbie Robison

Rick & Norma Cox

Pat Johnson

Lonnie & Pat Taylor

Jason Valero

Victoria Garrett

Dorothy Roach

PRAYER LIST - SHUT-INS

Burns, Chuck

Campbell, Patricia

Craft, Jerry

Jones, Anne

Riggs, Carol

PRAYER LIST - FRIENDS & FAMILY

**Bill Nolen* (Cindy Carnes' dad) had a mid stroke this past week and is having more tests done.

**Barbara Churchwell* (Hope Cobb's mother) is now home doing much better.

**Jeanette Brooks* (Hope Cobb's grandmother) is in rehab.

**Ralph Bond* (Justin Bond's dad - Stan Riggs son-in-law) is recovering from having a kidney removed.

**Lynn Baskin* (Mary Millers' cousin) is recovering from surgery for pancreatic cancer.

**Ralph Bond* (Justin Bon's dad - Stan Riggs son-in-law) is recovering from having a kidney removed.

CANCER:

**Michael Johnston* (Misty Johnston's dad) has stage 4 lung cancer.



PRAYER LIST - ARMED FORCES

Army, Ft. Benning:

Gabe Johnson

Walt Johnson

Ryan Franks

Vincent Piombino

Other Duty Stations:

Justin Carnes - National Guard

David Bryan - Italy

David Corder - KY

Cory Grizzard - TX

Hunter Howell - Ft. Campbell, KY

WORDS FOR THE WEEK

Lead - Servant - Jesus



Congratulatin to *Allen & Jessica Ives!!!*

They are the proud parents of a baby boy. "*Benjamin Allen*" was born on Sunday, January 16th at 2:51am. He weighed 9 lbs, 3 oz, and 21.5 inches long. *Scarlett* is the very happy and proud Big Sister. Mommy and baby are doing great.



*Congratulations to *Nathan & Sarah Diller!!!* They are expecting a baby boy, *Silas James* is due in February 2022.

*Congratulations to *Cody & Megan Watkins!!!* They are expecting a baby girl in February. *Daniella* is excited to be a big sister. *James & Sandra Jackson* are the proud grandparents.

*Congratulations to *Austin & Tabitha Nickoloft!!!* They are expecting a baby boy in May. *James & Sandra Jackson* are the proud grandparents.

Congratulations to *David & Morgan Fletcher!!!!* They are expecting a baby in August.

Save The Date!

Friday February 18 - Sunday February 20

Prospective Youth Minister candidate Noah Jordan, from Harding University will be here! There will be a full Saturday planned with activities and opportunities for you to meet him, and he to meet you! Additionally, he will teach the Teen class and deliver the lesson at the Sunday morning worship hour.

Be watching for details of when and where activities will take place, and plan to be a part!



BROWN BAG OF COLUMBUS

The Brown Bag item for this month is 500 **CANS OF TUNA**. Deadline will be February 9th.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

There will be NO Small Groups on Sunday, January 30th.

Elders & Deacons Meeting	4 pm
Congregational Meeting	5 pm
Young Men's Service	6 pm

Grazi!

Come join us for dinner as an appreciation of your dedication to our kids!

POSTPONED

Childcare will be limited. Please let us know if it is needed.

RIVER REGION Couples Retreat

Coming soon is a wonderful opportunity for Married Couples and Engaged Couples! **The River Region Couples Retreat** is **January 28-30, 2022**, at LakePoint State Park in Eufaula, Alabama. Registration and details are at

www.riverregioncouplesretreat.wordpress.com

The facilitators are **Richard and Jeanna Lynn May**. Richard is the son of Faulkner University's Dr. Cecil May. Also in attendance will be **Dr. Steve Wages**, who is professor of Family Studies at Faulkner University. Some of you will remember the great job he did in conducting his "Home Improvement: Marriage Under Construction" at Rose Hill in September 2019.

The theme is "Connection is the Key", and includes fun, group activities, and meaningful sessions. The cost is \$300 per couple (\$325 after January 1) and includes two nights stay, four meals, five sessions, and T-Shirt.

We encourage anyone who possibly can to attend this precious time of growth and strengthening of your marriage. **Space is limited so register soon!** Please see one of the Elders with any questions.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Ladies Bible Class is canceled until February 1st.

THURSDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Night Bible Study will meet at 7pm at the church house.



Staying in Touch with YOUTH

Just a Reminder that It's Okay to Laugh

You have a canine with a fever.
 So, what do you feed him to make him well?
 "Mustard," of course is the best remedy,
 For he's a "hot" dog, can't you tell?
 They say a gator can grow up to 18 feet,
 But that's a statement you should ignore.
 Because every gator I've ever seen
 Has feet that numbers just four!
 Laughter indeed can be a wonderful medicine-
 God's word proclaims this as fact.
 So, spend some time laughing today
 And you'll find other joys that you might attract!
 There was a grizzly that had bad teeth,
 And he was embarrassed with his name to share.
 For with his defective canines and molars,
 He came to be known as a "gummy bear!"
 A snowman who's aged has to change its name,
 And it's not one that should befuddle.
 For when a snowman gets too old,
 He then becomes a puddle!
 God's word has said our heart can be merry
 And contentment is ours in the midst of trial,
 The Lord has blessed us in so many ways
 And given us reasons to both laugh and smile!

Richard Deising



Lesson 5 **Joseph- His Brothers,** **Egyptian Captivity**

Memory Verse:

"God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble." Psalms 46:1

In this lesson, your child will learn about Jacob and his sons. Jacob's favorite son was Joseph which made all of the other brothers very jealous. The brothers decided to get rid of their brother by throwing him into an empty well. Joseph was also known for being a dreamer. God gave him the ability to understand and interpret dreams.



Olivia Vander – Jan 23

Blakely Arnold – Jan 23



Ladies Bible Class CANCELED	Jan 25
Thursday Bible Study 7pm	Jan 27
Elder, Deacon, Minister Meeting 4pm	Jan 30
Congregational Meeting 5pm	Jan 30
Young Men's Service 6pm	Jan 30
Ladies Bible Class Resumes 10am	Feb 1
Thursday Bible Study 7pm	Feb 3
Bus Driver Bible Study 9am	Feb 5
Ladies Bible Study 10am	Feb 8
Thursday Bible Study 7pm	Feb 10
Valentine's Day	Feb 14

SUNDAY AM SERVICE LEADERS:

	January 23	January 30
WELCOME/OPEN	McKinney, Booth	Carnes, Fred
SCRIPTURE	Hill, Ethan	Douthit, Brian
SONG LEADER	Ellis, Andrew	Barnes, Brian
COMMUNION	Rodgers, Billy	Murray, Andrew
ANNOUNCEMENTS	McKinney, Booth	Carnes, Fred
CLOSING PRAYER	Riggs, Michael	Cobb, Daniel

SUNDAY AM ATTENDED NURSERY:

	January 23	January 30
Nursery Attendant	---	---
Nursery Helper	---	---

WEDNESDAY SERVICE LEADERS:

	January 26	February 2
Invitation	Glenn, Joseph	Murray, Andrew
Song Leader	Fonville, Alan	Glenn, Joseph
Closing Prayer	Johnson, Gabe	Hosmer, Chris

BAPTISTRY CLEAN & LOCK UP: JANUARY

Barnes, Brian

ATTENDANCE/CONTRIBUTION January 16, 2022

Sun Bible Study	----	Actual	\$2,045
Sun A.M. Assembly	----	Goal	\$4,815
Small Group	----	Avg (YTD)	\$3,937
Wed P.M. Bible Study	----	Avg (QTRLY)	\$4,482

We are so glad that you are here with us today. Our service today will be to praise and worship our God and to encourage and uplift us to face another week in this world. We will sing and pray. We will meet around the Lord's Table to remember what our Savior did for us so long ago. We will give of the many blessings that God has given us to do the work He has given us. We will have a lesson from His Word that will hopefully be applicable to your daily life.

If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor's card so we can have a record of your time with us. Ask any of our family members where you can get one of these cards. If there is anything, we can do to help you then please let us know.

**Order of Worship Service
Sunday, January 23, 2022**

Welcome

Opening Prayer

*Scripture Reading
Matthew 20:24-28*

Faith of Our Fathers
Song #754 (v. 1 & 2)

Christ for the World We Sing
Song #626 (v. 1 & 2)

In The Glory Of His Cross
Song PP Only (v. 1, 2, & 3)

Communion

Servant Song
Song #694 (Repeat x2)

*Sermon: Nathan Diller
"Spiritual Influence"*

Rescue the Perishing
Song #639 (v. 1 & 2)

Announcements

A Beautiful Life
Closing Song #570 (v. 1)

Closing Prayer



HEARING DEVICES

Hearing Devices are available for all services. Ask for help at the sound booth at the back of the auditorium.