

Second Street Church of Christ



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Dangers of Restoring Prayer to Schools

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Bible Class.....9:00am
Sunday Morn. Worship.10:00am
Sunday Evening.....5:00pm
Wednesday Evening.....7:00pm

*Endeavouring to keep
the unity of the Spirit in
the bond of peace.
Ephesians 4:3*

Prayer is a blessing beyond human comprehension (Psalm 145:8). God said to continually bring our requests to him (Philippians 4:6; 1 Thessalonians 5:17).

We need Christ because without him, we can't be saved (John 14:6). Only in him do we find all spiritual blessings (Ephesians 1:3). Children will benefit from learning about Jesus because their morals and decision making will improve dramatically.

In 1962, prayer in schools was declared unconstitutional because some were offended by petitions to God. However, in the mid-20th century, Christian values were far more common than they are today in our increasingly pagan society.

Our current political climate would make the restoration of prayer in schools a very complicated issue because we live in a hopelessly litigious society. Everyone in authority is constantly on the alert for possible lawsuits.

What's more, Christians are at the bottom of the power structure. Biblical truth on what God desires would have no bearing on how prayer would be conducted in schools.

The United States of America is obsessed with the rights of certain minority groups and very hostile to Christianity. What God wanted would be completely ignored.

God said the prayers of the unrighteous wouldn't be heard (Isaiah 59:1-2). Yet, the ungodly would control prayer in school.

Instead of our children hearing prayers to Jehovah God, they would be hearing prayers to Allah, Goddesses and who knows what else. The prayers would be so far from Scripture that they would be unrecognizable.

By this time, Christians who wanted prayer returned to schools would likely be calling for it to be removed. Imagine the irony of Christians calling for an end to prayer. That's too volatile a possibility to consider. Satan would be ecstatic.

Teaching our children the truth is hard enough without this confusion. We need to be teaching our children daily about prayer and having to do that while unteaching the corrupted version they would be hearing in schools would add another level of complexity.

We would be allowing the ungodly to spiritually turn our kids against the true God.

The bottom line is that no one can take prayer out of school. Christian students can pray as God desires anytime they want. It's impossible to ban silent prayer unless Christians silence themselves.

We need to be much more worried about whether Christians are praying than whether our society can do Satan's will by destroying it (John 8:44).

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What's Going On?

Welcome Visitors!! You are our honored guest, and we are glad you came our way! We invite you back to our evening services at 5:00 and any time you can make it back.

Trays for March
Debra Brewer



Welcome Visitors!

Bear Stuffing will be Tuesday, March 17th at 6:00.



Singing & Fellowship at Edna Gibson's home on Friday, March 20th at 6:00.

Trays for 2015 - There is a sign up list on the board in the back. If you can please sign up for a month.

Sign up Sheet for singings and fellowship is on the board in the back.

Youth Devo after services tonight. All are invited.

Ladies Assisted Living Devotional March 19:

Devo - Doris Vandagriff
Prayer - Edna Gibson
Singing - Shea Cozort
Refreshments - Janie Dees

Name: _____ Date: _____

Circle one: Sunday Wednesday
Circle one: Morning Evening



Songs We Sang: No. No.
No. No. No. No.

My favorite song we sang is: _____

Write Down The Title of the Sermon and Bible Verses Here:

Count How Many Times You Hear These Words:

Jesus

God

Heaven

Pray

Draw a picture from the lesson.

Large empty rounded rectangle for drawing.

The Nature of God's Promises

What can we learn about God's promises?

INTRODUCTION

- 2 Peter 1:3-4
- Great & Precious
- “Great” – Big, exceedingly, high, large, loud, mighty.
- “Precious” – Valuable, costly, honored, esteemed.
- God's promises are given through his word.

God's Promises Are Certain of Fulfillment

- 2 Peter 3:8-9
- Abraham & Sarah - Romans 4:21; Hebrews 11:11
- The coming of Christ - Genesis 3:15; Galatians 4:4
- The land promise - Genesis 12:1-3; 15:7; Joshua 21:43
- Judgment on the Amalekites - Exodus 17:14; 1 Samuel 15

Sometimes God's Promises Are Unconditional

- Genesis 3:15
- Genesis 9:11
- Genesis 15:13-16
- Daniel 2:44
- Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Sometimes God's Promises Are Conditional

- Exodus 12:13
- Numbers 21:9
- Joshua 6:3-5
- 2 Kings 5
- John 9:7



*Both he who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the just are an abomination
before the Lord. Proverbs 17:15*

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Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:25

The process for becoming a Christian is the same as it was over 2000 years ago! To become a Christian, one must:

Hear the Gospel - Rom. 10:17

Believe the Gospel - Heb. 11:6

Repent of Sins - Luke 13:3

Confess Christ - Rom. 10:10

Be Immersed Into Christ - Acts 2:38

Live a Faithful Life - Rev. 2:10

None of these alone will make you a Christian. These commands are from God and must be obeyed from the heart to become a Christian.

Prayer List



Paula Wanner	Ann Martin
Norma Taylor	Joey Pierce
Craig Pierce	Trisha Johnson
Stephanie Moore	Faye Metts
Becky Raper	Barbara Blackman
Clarence Brown	Phillip Pharr
Dianne Vandagriff	Cathy Alexander
Deck Taylor	Rumell Thomas
Tamri Barnes	Flora Wanner
Steve Scott	

Sympathy

March Birthdays



Jonah Meeks 3/03
Jimmy Higginbottom 3/15
Lena Hammet 3/15
Shawn Robinson 3/15
Ann Martin 3/23
Michelle Holcomb 3/26

March Anniversaries

Jerry & Janey 3/2
Barry & Debra 3/17

