

Madison Avenue Church of Christ

Welcome Visitors!

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thur 9:00 - 3:00

Weekly Services

Sunday

Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.

Worship: 11:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.*

Wednesday

Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

No evening worship on the Fourth Sunday of each month.

Weekday Radio Program

"Thinkaboutit" with Charlie Wharton AM 1240 at 6:55 a.m.
thinkaboutit.pierrechurchofchrist.org

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Memorial Day



We are so glad that you decided to come and worship with our family today. We hope that you will join in with us as we praise God together in our worship. Whatever your situation in life, we pray that you will find what you need to bring you closer to God. Please take a minute and fill out one of the red visitor cards in the back of the pews and drop it in the collection plate when it comes around — we would greatly appreciate it. Please come back and worship with us again!

A MOMENT WITH MARK

Missionary Benjamin Weir was held hostage in Lebanon and imprisoned under miserable conditions for sixteen months.

In his first interview after his release, he was asked how he spent his time and how he dealt with the boredom and despair. His answer stunned the reporters. He simply said, “Counting my blessings.”

“Blessings?” they responded.

“Yes,” he explained. “Some days I got to take a shower. Sometimes there were vegetables in my food. And I could always be thankful for the love of my family.”

We can understand why the reporters were astonished. It’s hard for most of us to be consistently thankful for the commonplace blessings that make life pleasant and comfortable — the unfailing supply of our daily needs, the provision of food and shelter, the companionship of friends and families. There are times when we may even forget the wonderful mercies of God’s redeeming grace.

Paul and Silas, though they were beaten, thrown into prison, and placed in stocks, were still “singing hymns unto God” (Acts 16:25). May we learn from them, and from Benjamin Weir, to count our blessings no matter what our circumstances. We have many reasons to rejoice.

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?
Count your many blessings, ev’ry doubt will fly,
And you will go singing as the days go by. — Oatman

“A faithful man shall abound with blessings.” — Proverbs 28:20

Grace and Peace ~ Mark

Evangelism Efforts

- “Thinkaboutit” — Radio program with Charlie Wharton, weekdays at 6:55 a.m. on Pierre AM 1240.
- Correspondence Courses
- World Bible School

Works of Benevolence

- Pierre Area Referral Service
- Community Banquet
- School Backpack Program
- Meals-On-Wheels

Community Outreach

- Habitat for Humanity
- Annual Capital Area Law Enforcement Appreciation Dinner
- Annual South Dakota Peace Officers Memorial Service
- Life-Line Health Screenings
- Habitat for Humanity
- Church of Christ Booth at the Annual South Dakota State Fair

Works of Edification

- Bible Classes for All Ages
- Monthly Fellowship Dinners
- Ladies Group Lunches
- Wednesday Night Dinners



“I am the
resurrection
and the
life.”

JOHN 11:25

News & Notes

PRAYER LIST

Linda Terbell has been diagnosed with inoperable liver cancer. She also has cancer in both lungs.

Iva Russell at MaryHouse.

Brian Thompson's grandfather is recovering from a heart procedure and has pneumonia.

Expecting mothers: Holly Thompson

PRAYERS OF THANKS

Justin Newton gives thanks for now being a full-time employee of Capital Area Counseling Services. He started his new hours on Thursday.

A.J. Wharton will be working full time with the church in Albert Lee, Minnesota as a minister/intern.

Jennifer Newton has also had an increase in her hours at Capital Area Counseling Service to a 3/4 time employee. Plans are for her to become a full time employee by the end of the summer. She is currently working at the Therapeutic Foster Care unit.

OLDER AND THANKFUL

"I've sure gotten old! I've had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, and new knees. Fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take forty different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet any more. Can't remember if I'm 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends. But I'm thankful that I still have my diver's license!"

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ed and Linda Nill are celebrating their anniversary on Tuesday. Brad and Cinda Curtis are celebrating their anniversary on Thursday.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 24** Fourth Sunday Fellowship
- May 25** Memorial Day (observed)
- May 30** Beach, Boats, and BBQ out at Farm Island.
- May 31** Teacher's Meeting at 5:00 p.m.
- May 31** Evening service: Singing Night
- June 11** Community Banquet

CELL PHONES FOR CANCER

Do you have an old cell phone at home that you are not using? Well, bring it to the church building and put it in the recycle box in the foyer. Our Relay for Life team can get money for used cell phones that will go toward their fund raising goal. So bring in the old phones and help fight cancer!

FOURTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Today is our monthly fellowship Sunday. After morning service we will be having dinner, so please plan on staying and enjoying the afternoon. We will also be having a congregation meeting at 1:15, and then dismiss for the day. There will be no 6:00 p.m. service today.

BEACH, BOATS, & BBQ

This Saturday, May 30th, we will be meeting out at Farm Island at 4:00 p.m. for some food and fun. Charlie will have his boat out for rides and for tube riding. If anyone else has a boat, you are sure welcome to bring it. Bring some grill type foods (hamburgers, hotdogs, bratwurst, chicken, etc.) and some sides and desserts to share. Also bring some things to do out doors (Frisbees, yard games, board games, and such). Come on out and enjoy the outdoors with us this Saturday at Farm Island.

FISHING ON SUNDAY

A village preacher, known for his weakness for trout, preached against fishing on Sunday. The next day one of his members presented him with a fine string of fish and said, hesitatingly, "I guess I ought to tell you, preacher, that those trout were caught on Sunday."

The minister hesitated, gazed appreciatively at the speckled trout, and then said piously as he reached for his gift, "the fish aren't to blame for that."

Worship Assistants

SUNDAY MORNING

Welcome.....
Song Leader.....
First Prayer.....
Communion Leader.....
Communion Servers.....

TODAY

Buford Storrs.....
Brad Curtis.....
John Rheinbolt.....
Charlie Wharton.....
Brian Thompson.....
Max Cruse.....
Kyle Wylly.....
Jeff French.....
Justin Newton.....
Brad Curtis.....
Herb Davis.....
Jane Davis.....

MAY 31

Charlie Wharton.....
Herb Davis.....
Buford Storrs.....
Brad Curtis.....
Craig Hyde.....
Raury Cruse.....
Taylor Newton.....
Alan Hyde.....
Taylor Hyde.....
Buford Storrs.....
Brandon Osbourn.....
Becky Osbourn.....

SUNDAY EVENING

Song Leader.....
Communion/Closing.....

TODAY

No Evening Service.....
No Evening Service.....

MAY 31

Singing Night.....
Buford Storrs.....

WEDNESDAY

Songs.....
Scripture.....
Closing.....

MAY 27

Brad Curtis.....
Alan Hyde.....
Taylor Newton.....

JUNE 3

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