

Vancleave Church of Christ Weekly Newsletter

Dedicated to spiritual encouragement and local Christian ministry

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Scripture Reading: Jude 3

Jesus Christ and Our World's View of Him *by Duane Patton*

Gospel preacher of the 19th century, Benjamin Franklin (not to be confused with the early American statesman), wrote the following about Jesus Christ:

“This glorious person is the soul of the Bible, the center of the whole spiritual system, the attraction for all nations, the ruler, not only among the saints on earth, but also the armies of heaven. God gave Him honor and glory, the apostle says, when He proclaimed Him His Son in the holy mountain. He walks at the head of the army of God, the true Israel, and among the inhabitants of the earth, proclaiming with all authority both in heaven and on earth: ‘I am the way, the truth and the life; no man cometh to the Father but by me,’ ‘I am the resurrection and the Life’ — ‘I am he who was dead and am alive, and behold I live forever and ever’ — ‘I have the keys of hell and of death; I can open, and no man can shut; I can shut, and no man can open’ — ‘I am the bright and the morning star, the root and the offspring of David’ — ‘I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men to me.’ ‘If any man would be my disciple, let him take up his cross and follow me.’ Such are a few of the many expressions setting forth the exalted position of the Christian’s King and the Christian’s Lord. When He was crowned in heaven, crowned Lord of all, the Almighty Father swore that He should reign till all His enemies should be put under His feet—that to Him every knee should bow, and every tongue should confess. Lift up your hearts, all you saints, and behold your King! He is the head of the church. Set your affections on Him, follow Him, and consecrate yourselves to Him forever more.”

What kind of world would our world be if more people would view Jesus Christ the way this old-time preacher viewed Him? Would there be more or less physical violence between people and whole nations? Would God be more praised for His creation and the blessings He freely gives to all, or would He be less praised and even more ignored? Would people in general worry more about the present state of the world, or consider eternity with God worth being faithful to Christ even in the worst of times (cf., **Romans 8:18ff**)?

Seeking first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness...

Schedule of Services:

Sunday

9:00 AM Bible Class

10:00 AM Worship

6:00 PM Worship

Wednesday:

6:00 PM

Prayer & Bible Study

Local Works of Faith:

Sunnybrook Children’s Home

Gulf Coast Bible Camp

Local Food Pantry

Annual Youth Events

Back-Pack Buddies

The Gospel of Christ TV (Fox 25)

Every Sunday at 6:30 AM

Foreign Missions:

Guyana, South America

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Prayer Requests and Announcements

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and His ears are open into their cry. ~ Psalms 34:15

Recent Prayer Requests:

- Gregory Cooley:** Doing better after heart surgery but dealing with post-surgery pain.
Lou Dick: To have radiation treatments soon. Please remember Lou in prayers.
Dino Vecchio: Has a low blood count and is to have a scan on October 13th.
Rhonda Walters' granddaughter, Emily: Has some type of mass in her body. Please pray.
RW McAlister: Passed away this past week though he did show some signs of improvement.
Jennevee Kelly: Passed away this past week, also. She lived 97 years!
Daniel Threadgill (former VHS High School teacher): Passed away recently from cancer.
Judy Hinton: Is doing well after recent surgery. No malignancy and she is very thankful for prayers!

Continue to remember these:

Earl and Linda Kenney Jerry and Virginia Mobley Wayne and Lanette Girod
Mike Kenney Patricia Savulchak David Hinds Frank Sentelle
Terry and Bonnie Thornton Mary McDaniel Terry and Bonnie Thornton

If you have any updates / corrections on any prayer requests or other announcements, please share them by sending an email to vcocministry@vanleavemchurch.org

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WEEKLY WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT: You may only be one among billions of others, but Christ died and rose again, and that makes you a very special one!

“God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

(Romans 5:8, ESV)

Daily Bible Reading Plan for 2021 Week 39

MONDAY	Ezra 7-10	Does it seem strange to you that God commanded some to “put away” their wives?
TUESDAY	Nehemiah 1-5	What motivated Nehemiah to approach the King and make his request?
WEDNESDAY	Nehemiah 6-7	In view of the genealogies listed, how might this connect with prophecy?
THURSDAY	Nehemiah 8-10	Why do you think it was important for God’s people to confess their sins?
FRIDAY	Nehemiah 11-13	
	Psalms 126	Nehemiah is a very personal book. Note how it is written in first person (“I”).
SATURDAY	Malachi 1-4	Malachi is the last Old Testament book prior to the coming of what prophet?
SUNDAY	Luke Chapter 1	These texts give some interesting details about Jesus Christ and John the immerser.
	John 1:1-14	Is there some teaching in these texts that stands out to you most?

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalms 119:105