

Melbourne Church of Christ

"A family of believers seeking to grow spiritually while sharing Jesus and serving others."

The Greatest Gift of All

via House to House, Heart to Heart

A long time ago in Persia, a benevolent ruler named Shah Abbas reigned. To get to know his people better, he wore disguises to mingle among them.

One day, he went as a poor man to the public baths, and sat by the fireman tending the furnace. At mealtime, he shared his food, and talked to the poor man as to a friend. Again and again, he visited the fireman until the man grew to love him.

Finally, the emperor revealed his identity to the fireman. The emperor expected the fireman to request a gift of him. However, the fireman requested nothing.

With love and wonder, the fireman declared, "You left your palace and your glory to sit with me in this dark place, to partake of my coarse fare, and to care whether my heart was glad or sad. On others you may bestow rich presents, but to me you have given yourself."

Of course, we know a ruler far more benevolent than this Persian monarch. We know a ruler who left the ivory palaces of heaven to come and to live among us (Psalm 45:8). We know a ruler who was clothed with flesh and took upon himself the form of a servant (Philippians 2:5-8). We know a ruler who became poor that we might be made rich (2 Corinthians 8:9). We know a ruler who was such a friend to us that He gave His life for us (John 15:12-13). Of course, the King is Jesus Christ.

Dates to Remember

★Ladies will meet 4th Monday in August @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food

Sermons and bulletins available @
Melbournechurchofchrist.com

Sunday Bible Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening 6:00 p.m.



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A Place to Belong

Elders

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Family News

- Lucille Linn passed away. Please keep her family in your prayers.
- Please keep Sharon Watson's brother, Glen Brown, in your prayers.
- Chuck Crow's mother, Dixie, passed away.
- Frank Fowler was airlifted to UAMS last Tuesday with a brain bleed. The bleeding has stopped and he is doing better.
- Diana's brother, Dale Banning, has Covid Pneumonia.
- J.B. Dill continues to struggle with AFIB and recovery from surgery. Please keep him and Wanda in your prayers.
- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

	TODAY	NEXT SUNDAY
SONG LEADER	TBA	TBA
OPENING PRAYER	TBA	TBA
CLOSING PRAYER	TBA	TBA



Self-Served

BIBLE WORD SEARCH!

Spiritual Blessings (Ephesians 1:3-6)

B	J	S	B	E	C	B	A
L	E	N	E	N	H	L	C
A	S	A	L	M	R	E	C
M	U	D	O	E	I	S	O
E	S	I	V	R	S	S	R
A	C	C	E	P	T	E	D
I	M	C	D	O	S	D	I
A	D	O	P	T	I	O	N
C	H	O	S	E	C	A	G

ACCEPTED	ACCORDING	ADOPTION
BELOVED	BLAME	BLESSED
CHOSE	CHRIST	JESUS



Prayer List

Military: Derek Love, Tyler Talkington, A.J. Talkington

Officers: Steven & Sherry Davidson, Josh Morehead, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Health:	Joyce Newbrey	Donnie Vest	Joanna Smith
Joe Guiltner	Dan Clark	Wilma Cooper	Wayne Crosby
Tracy Thomas	Brooke Partin	Troy Gaston	James Nicholson
Bill Roland	Hayden Phillips	Donny Smith	Joanne Weston
Bill Wiseman	Debbie Nicholson	Helen King	Phil Haagenson
Mary Kosmitis	Tommy Washington	Jim Fowler	Shirley Lewis
Diane Owens	Ivy Jo Slade	Jeff Young	Andrew Weaver
Johnny Guthrie	Charlotte Cooper	Cecilia Broughton	Sue Campbell
Bob & Arlene Davidson	Chip & Regina Masters		Earl Stephens
Dorothy Teague	Ted & Sanyia Austin	Ted Kidd	Richard Gunter

Nursing Home: Debbie Hoskinds, Holly Stroud, Emma Jean Cooper

August Birthdays

Ashlyn Beebe 3 rd	Melba Gillihan 4 th	John Smith 8 th
Charlene Langston 10 th	Tiffany Webb 10 th	Holly Cooper 12 th
Billy Beebe 13 th	Brent Qualls 15 th	Abe Cooper 15 th
Anita Love 17 th	Tim Vest 20 th	Diane Zook 20 th
Madeline Sipe 21 st	Jimmie Young 22 nd	Dottie McWherter 23 rd
Jordan Kimble 23 rd	Ramona Qualls 26 th	Roby Cooper 26 th
Laine Wagoner 27 th	Sarena Young 28 th	Shawna Teegarden 29 th
Sanders Lee Wyatt 31 st		

August Anniversaries

Doug & Madeline Sipe 5 th	Tommy & Sandra Taylor 10 th
Danny & Betty Brightwell 12 th	Kelly & Tiffany Webb 13 th
Ronnie & Sallie Adkisson 15 th	Cleve & Darla Weaver 21 st
Joe & Shirley Guiltner 23 rd	David & Joyce Clark 28 th
Doyle & Diana Wyatt 29 th	

1 Peter 1:18-21, "You were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold...but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. Jesus was foreknown before the foundation of the world...so that your faith and hope are in God."