

Melbourne Church of Christ

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

How Much Is Jesus Worth to You?

by Glen Elliott

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field" (Matthew 13:44).

Few things are as effective in opening up our billfolds or motivating us to pick up our car keys as a good old-fashioned sale. When we hear about those bargains and see great values, it is hard to pass up the opportunity.

When we come to understand the priceless value of Christianity – when we get a glimpse of the unfathomable riches of God’s matchless grace – we must fully-invest in this chance of a lifetime.

God makes no high-pressured sales pitch. He includes no hidden charges in the fine print of the sales contract. He offers eternal life to all who will accept His Son in obedient faith.

It is a gift of grace brought on by an act of love. There is nothing we could ever do to deserve it. There is nothing we could do to purchase it. We accept God’s gift by faith and manifest our appreciation for it through a life of faithful devotion and unselfish service (Ephesians 2:8-9).

How valuable is your hope of heaven? Can it hold its own next to the pleasures Satan is promising you in the world? Do you love Jesus more than anything or anyone else in the world?

Jesus asks, "For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26). Just how much is Jesus worth to you?

The Encouragement Group meets on Thursday's at 9 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Come serve with us as we reach into our community!

**Sunday Classes 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:10 a.m.
Wed. Services 6:00 p.m.**

Visitors, please take a card from the back of the pew, fill it out, and put it in the offering tray. We are glad you're here and want you to know that you're welcome in the family of Christ that meets here!

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Family News

- If you have questions about online giving, please see David Brightwell.
- We had 78 at the Back to School Bash on Wednesday! A special thank you to Dalton for cooking and to all who brought food and drinks. It was great to simply be together, pray over a new school year and reflect on ways to use the power and content of our words for the kingdom of God.
- Lindle Blevins passed away. Please keep Carolyn and the Blevins family in your prayers.
- After three days of testing at UAMS last week, Phyllis Gilbreath's doctors found 8 more fractures in her back and discovered that is where the Multiple Myeloma is at. Surgery to repair the fractures is scheduled for September 3rd.
- Gayla Smith is dealing with some health concerns. Please keep her and Donnie in your prayers.

Opening Prayer.....Danny Runion
Communion Reading.....David Brightwell
Closing Prayer.....Daylee Brightwell



AUGUST

ANTHONY WESTON **DALTON GRIGG**
BRENT QUALLS **CHIPPER LAMB**

SEPTEMBER

DAVID BRIGHTWELL **DAYLEE BRIGHTWELL**
DANNY RUNION **DANNY BRIGHTWELL**

The Wheat and the Tares
Read Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

1. An _____ sowed tares among the wheat.
2. The servants wondered if the master wanted them to _____ them up.
3. At harvest, the wheat was to be put into the _____, but the tares were to be _____.
4. The good seed was sown by the _____ of _____.
5. The field is the _____, the good seeds are the _____ of the kingdom, the tares are the _____ of the _____ one.

Prayer List

Military: Derek & Allison Love **Officers:** Steve & Sherry Davidson, Jamie Irvin, Tyler Webb, Caeden Wolfe, Blake Johnson

Nursing Home: Al Gillihan, Debbie Hoskinds, Imodean Webb, Troy Gaston, Sue Campbell, Barbara Watson, Bill Wiseman, Shirley Hill

Boyde Martin	Wilma Cooper	Peggy Hall	Dorothy Teague
Bill Roland	Joe Guiltner	Debbie Crow	Cornelia Summers
Christie Haney	Joanna Smith	Wayne Crosby	Brooke Partin
Toby Weatherford	Sanyia Austin	Charlotte Cooper	John Young
Regenia Gillihan	Regina Master	Shawna Teegarden	John Ward
Joe Anne Hendrix	Gage Barns	Ruby Patillo	Vance & Kaicey Little

August Birthdays

Ashlyn Beebe 3 rd	Melba Gillihan 4 th	Geryl Taylor 5 th
John Smith 8 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
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	Shawn Wortham 28 th	Shawna Teegarden 29 th
Sanders Lee Wyatt 31 st		

August Anniversaries

Tommy & Sandra Taylor 10 th	Danny & Betty Brightwell 12 th
Kelly & Tiffany Webb 13 th	Cleve & Darla Weaver 21 st
Joe & Shirley Guiltner 23 rd	Doyle & Diana Wyatt 29 th

Dates to Remember

Ladies Night Out 4th Monday of every month @ 6 p.m. bring a finger food.
Ladies Bible Study 1st, 2nd, 3rd Monday @ 6 p.m.
Men meet 3rd Sunday of every month for breakfast @ 8 a.m.
*Family game night will resume at a later time.
Potluck every 5th Sunday after services, please bring a dish.

Matthew 18:23, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves."

Matthew 20:1, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers."

Matthew 22:2, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son."