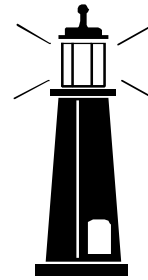


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"Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." (Psalm 119:105)



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To Our Friends and Family

Kevin Cauley

First of all, let me say that we love you. We want you to be in our lives and we are truly grateful for your presence here today. We are glad that we have you as friends and family and we want you to know this!

Second, because you are our friends and because we love you, we want you to know that the gospel of Jesus is the way to get to heaven! Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man comes to the Father but by me" (John 14:6). Peter said in Acts 4:12 "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." Jesus is the way to heaven and the only way. We hope you will accept Jesus' way!

Third, we want you to know that we are striving here at the Berryville church of Christ to follow in the way of Christ but if we are not doing this, we want you to tell us how to improve. We know that the best thing that we can do to show that is to live our lives in such a way so that you can see that Jesus is living in us. When you see us in the community and you noticed the good works that we are doing, realize that it is not WE who are doing those good works, but Christ living in us. Paul wrote, "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me" (Gal.2:20a).

Fourth, we want Christ to live in your life too. We may have some of our friends and family here in whom Christ is already living and we appreciate you for making this commitment. For those of you in whom Christ is not living, we invite you to learn more about how Christ can live in your life and how you can become a member of His church today. To be in Christ means to live the way that he wants us to live and everything we need to know to do that is found in the Bible.

Kevin's Korner

We want to welcome everyone this morning to our Friends and Family day. If you are visiting with us, then we ask that you fill out a visitors card which is located on the pew in front of you for your convenience. We are also interested in getting to know you better, so if you would stay with us a little while after our service, we would love to greet and meet you. If you are looking at this bulletin for the first time, this article is called "Kevin's Korner." If you don't know who Kevin is, just ask someone. I am sure they will be able to point me out (hint, I am the guy in the pulpit doing the preaching). I usually write about activities that have happened in the church lately and things that I have been busy doing throughout the week. So read on and see what the Berryville church of Christ has been up to!



Let's talk about my favorite secular subject—FOOD! Today we have a wonderful meal planned for our members and visitors alike. We invite you to stay after our services this morning for some Ozarks BBQ! Yesterday I fired up the pit and smoked up some briskets for us to have for lunch today. We hope that you will stay and eat lunch with us. After lunch, we have several things that we can do. We have a volleyball net somewhere. Glenn Williams and I have a set of horse shoes that we are going to set up. We also have a basketball around here somewhere as well. If you aren't into these outdoor sports, I am sure that someone will have some indoor games that can be played as well. In any case, we want you to stay and have fun with us this afternoon because we love you and want to spend time with you.

Last Saturday while Mary Lynn and I were having a garage sale, the youth were out floating down King's River. Our garage sale did pretty well. The float trip went fairly well. No one at the garage sale flipped over in a canoe, but I heard

that someone on the float trip flipped over in the canoe! Now I am not in the habit of calling names in the bulletin, but his initials are Jack Gentry (grin). It did sound like the youth had a good time.

This past Tuesday afternoon I had the privilege of going to the nursing home as I usually do. However, there is something different at the nursing home now. Several months ago they had a roof leak in their activity room and it was closed for several months. Now that room has been opened again and it is beautiful. Those who redesigned and redecorated that room did a wonderful job. Several of the residents were playing "Skipbo" this past Tuesday along with one of the folks whom I visit, Lola Trost. So I sat down and played a game with them and it was fun. If you have some time to go by the nursing home this week, take a look at the new activity center. It is wonderful.

Speaking of the nursing home, the last Sunday in June is a fifth Sunday. This means that we are scheduled to go sing at the nursing home on the fifth Sunday of this month. Please put this in your plans to be there. I know that all of the residents love to have us come and sing with them.

This past Wednesday Leon told me that if I wanted to pick some blueberries that I was welcome to come out to his house and get some, so about 4:30, I decided to go out there. As I drove into the drive, I saw Jerry and Carolyn walking over to feed the animals and we decided to all go pick some blueberries. Jerry and Carolyn helped me pick blueberries more than they picked them for themselves, but we got out in the blueberry patch and worked away. Pretty soon I had about two gallons of fresh blueberries. I took them home and have been enjoying them since. Thank you Leon for the blueberries. Thank you Jerry and Carolyn for helping me pick!

Thursday while I was out visiting, I went by John Gass' house and he took me on a tour of the plants growing around Pat Foster's house. I really enjoyed that. I took a botany class in college and have never forgotten how much I liked it. Walking around and looking at all of the different plants reminded me how much I enjoy that sort of thing. It also reminds me how many different varieties of life are on this planet. This, my friends, is evidence for God! To have a planet such as ours that is so alive and filled with such vibrant life in stark contrast to the other planets of which we know both in the Solar System and in the Galaxy is great evidence for the Creator!

Next week, on Monday, June 16th, our VBS begins! Our theme is "What a Friend We Have in Je-

sus!" We have several great studies planned for this week and several congregations in the cities surrounding us have announced this in their bulletins. We want everyone who can possibly come to come and be with us for this time of summer study. We also need some ladies to volunteer to make and bring some cookies for our refreshments for this activity. Florene Neal is the refreshment coordinator, so get with her for any questions about cookies and Kool-Aid.

Things are also getting lined out for our upcoming youth rally. Our speaker for this event will be Willie Franklin. We will hold this event on August 22nd and 23rd, 2003. Willie is truly an exciting speaker and I know that you will not want to miss out on the opportunity to hear him speak. I have already mentioned this event to several of our area congregations and they have expressed an interest in coming. We also need to let our friends and family here in Berryville know of this event as well. Any opportunity that we have to be with each other to study and learn God's word is an opportunity for us to grow. So as you are making your plans for August, be sure to reserve down the 22nd and 23rd for our youth rally.

One final most important thought: we have so many activities and events coming up and we need to work hard to make sure that the work gets done, but all of this would not be possible without God's help. When you bend your knee to pray to the Father, ask Him to bless us here at the Berryville church of Christ. Ask Him to be with these upcoming activities. Ask Him to help us to continue to do what we need to do to further the kingdom of His Son, Jesus. All things are possible with God and without Him we would have nothing. Let us acknowledge Him in everything that we do. Let us seek to do His will in everything that we do. Let us speak in the ways that He would want us to speak to our neighbors. Let us work in the way He would want us to work in service to Him. Let us pray acknowledging that everything depends upon Him.

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Deacons: Ken Smith, Brent Stevens, Rusty Windle.

Preacher: Kevin Cauley 870-423-6707

Times of Worship and Study

Sunday Morning Bible Class:.....9:30 AM

Sunday Morning Worship:.....10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Worship:6:00 PM

Ladies Bible Class:.....10:30 AM

Wed. Evening Bible Class:7:00 PM

WILL BE ENRICHED!

Carl Hanson

I don't like to waste money. If I spend money on something, I want my money's worth. I hate to pay for something and then not get the benefit of the value for my bucks. However, are there not times when we should just count our losses and walk away? Are there situations when the best thing to do is learn something from the experience and move on?

Part of my morning reading took me through 2 Chronicles chapter 25, a partial record of Amaziah who reigned over the kingdom of Judah for twenty-nine years. (vs.1) He was a pretty good king, however he did not have wholehearted devotion to the ways of God. When he began assembling an army of 300,000 choice men, he also hired 100,000 more from Israel for 100 talents (that is 7500 pounds) of silver. (vs.5) However, Amaziah was told that the Lord was not with Israel and so these men should therefore not go. Yet, without them, Amaziah would be victorious. Amaziah protested because he had already made the payment to the army of Israel.

We read, "And Amaziah said to the man of God, "But what shall we do about the hundred talents that I have given to the army of Israel?" The man of God answered, "THE LORD IS ABLE TO GIVE YOU MUCH MORE THAN THIS."" (2 Chronicles 25:9) [ESV]

When we do WHAT IS RIGHT we will be blessed. It may be monetarily at some point, it may be socially, it may be spiritually, but blessing will come. GOD IS ABLE to provide it.

I'm reminded of those in Ephesus who had apparently not cast off all that had been associated with their old life. After seven sons of Sceva had attempted to do a miracle in the name of "Jesus, whom Paul proclaims" (Acts 19:13) and then ended up being overpowered, the name of Jesus was held in high honor. This placed a deeper

sense of reverent fear among the people. What did many do?

"(18) Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices. (19) And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and BURNED THEM in the sight of all. AND THEY COUNTED THE VALUE OF THEM AND FOUND IT CAME TO FIFTY THOUSAND PIECES OF SILVER." (Acts 19:18-19) [ESV]

Some might claim, "What a waste!" However, these things were out of place with regard to their new life in Christ. Another might say, "Couldn't they have sold them to those in the world who were still practicing such things and then do something good with the money?" Since such things were NOT RIGHT, such materials should certainly not have been passed on to others. Therefore, though there was great monetary value involved, the greater blessing was in doing the RIGHT THING in following the Way of the Lord wholeheartedly.

Movies today are not cheap. And I hate to pay good money and then not watch the movie. However, my wife and I have walked out of several movies we decided were NOT RIGHT for us to sit through. We have also rented movies we have not watched. But the GREATER BLESSING is ours in protecting our focus and seeking what is RIGHT IN THE EYES OF GOD. To remain in order to get what we paid for could possibly cost us far more than had we left it behind. For Amaziah it could have cost him the lives of his fighting men and a victory.

Let us seek ways that are RIGHT IN GOD'S SIGHT. He is ABLE TO BLESS us in ways beyond our imagination.

Have a great day WHOLEHEARTEDLY SEEKING GOD'S WAYS!

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Sunday's Sermons

For June 8th

Morning..... The churches of Christ
Scripture Romans 16:16
Evening..... Making the Right Choices
Scripture Deut.30:15-19

Our Record

Week of June 1st

Sunday Class	55
Sunday A.M.	69
Sunday P.M.	67
Wednesday	64
Contribution	\$1787.50
Budget.....	\$1760.00

News, Notes and Prayer List



• We welcome all of our visitors this morning. We are excited to have you with us and invite you back at every opportunity you may have to be with us.

- Please remember the following in your prayers: Porfirio and Carla in Costa Rica, Maxine Campbell, Bethel Dodson, Katie Williams.
- Edith Mischler is in the nursing home in Eureka Springs.
- Art Roberts and Mary Patterson are confined to their homes.
- Our monthly men's breakfast will be held this coming Saturday, the 14th, at 7:00 AM. Be there or Rusty will be calling you to get out of bed!!!
- VBS is next week!!! There will be a short meeting after services tonight related to VBS. Please come if you are involved.
- We need cookies for VBS. Please get with Florene Neal for our needs.
- The regular elders and deacons meeting is scheduled for next Sunday evening. If you have any items that need to be brought up please contact one of the elders or deacons.
- Our regular question and answer service which is normally held on the 2nd Sunday night of the month will be moved to the third Sunday night of the month just for this month.
- BBQ today! Please stay for our monthly potluck luncheon in conjunction with our Friends and Family day.
- There are a few new pictures on our youth bulletin board downstairs.
- There is a report from A.J. Hendrix posted in the back.
- Our pantry is now empty. Please help us stock it back up!
- The Pantry Item for this week is Bath Soap.



Men to Serve

	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Week</u>
Sunday Morning:	June 8th, 2003	June 15th, 2003
Song Leader:	Larry Elliott	Brent Stevens
Preacher:	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
Opening Prayer:	Bill Fort	Bruce Foster
Scripture:	Brent Moore	Matt Bassing
Lord's Table:	Bob Moore	Glenn Williams
	Hugh Atchley	Larry Elliott
(assist)	John Gass	Sandy Nieves
	Matt Bassing	John Gass
Closing Prayer	Brent Stevens	Ken Smith
Sunday Night:		
Songs:	Bruce Foster	Rusty Windle
Preacher:	Kevin Cauley	Kevin Cauley
Opening Prayer:	Brent Stevens	Glenn Quigley
Scripture:	Sandy Nieves	Ray Duncan
Lord's Table:	Clyde Atchley	Sandy Nieves
	Larry Elliott	Brent Stevens
Closing Prayer	Leon Duncan	Dale Pinkley
Wednesday		
Songs:	Kevin Cauley	VBS
Opening Prayer:	Clay Bozarth	VBS
Invitation:	Rusty Windle	VBS
Closing Prayer:	Hugh Atchley	VBS
Monthly Assignments		
Announcements	Leon Duncan	
Worship Coordinator	Glenn Williams	
Communion Prep	Neva Welch	Donna Henderson
Communion Carry	Dale Pinkley	Clay Bozarth

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