

Calendar of Ministries

✠ Saturday, October 21, 2017

Evening Prayers at 7:30

✠ Sunday, October 22

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship at 11

Session meets for lunch

✠ Monday, October 23

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Tuesday, October 24

Morning Prayers at 8

College Teaching for Mr. Sherrard at 10 and 1

✠ Wednesday, October 25

Morning Prayers at 8

Bible Club at the High School, 8:08 a.m.

Choir at 7 p.m.

✠ Thursday, October 26

Morning Prayers at 8

College Teaching for Mr. Sherrard at 10 and 1

✠ Friday, October 27

Morning Prayers at 8

✠ Saturday, October 28

Evening Prayers at 7:30

✠ Sunday, October 29

Fellowship Breakfast at 9 followed by consultation with the Session

Morning Worship at 11

On Sunday, Oct. 29, the Session will consult with the congregation about the settlement between Windy Cove and the Administrative Commission from Shenandoah Presbytery. Please make every effort to be present.



The Weekly Word

Windy Cove Presbyterian Church

October 19, 2017

Regular Bible Reading

One of the best disciplines for a Christian to develop is regular reading of the Bible. Sharon Sherrard has been working with the teens at Windy Cove for years encouraging them to read at least a small Bible passage each day. It may be just reading a verse or two or perhaps a page or two or maybe even a chapter or two. The important thing is the interaction with God's Word on a regular basis.

The Bible study portion of our Teen Fellowship this year will focus on the Book of Ephesians. The teens started the study with a very brief introduction at their meeting on Sunday, October 15. The introduction was brief because the teens were worshipping so well together that the worship time extended past the usual time allotted for it. After their worship the teens read Ephesians 1:1-14 which comprises the introduction to Paul's letter.

In his own Morning Prayers, Mr. Sherrard has used a variety of resources to keep regularly in touch with the Word of God. Over the years, he has used an assortment of one-year Bibles. These Bibles

are arranged in 365 daily readings to cover the entire content of the Bible in a year. Usually they have a reading from the Old Testament, from the New Testament, from the Psalms, and perhaps from Proverbs.

There are also some useful online tools to encourage Bible reading or listening. Pray-as-you-Go is a website that has daily readings and reflections from the Bible. Bruce Cambata is one member of the congregation who regularly uses Pray-as-you-Go on his smart phone.

Speaking of phones, the You Version of the Bible which is designed primarily for phones and *(Continued Inside)*

Take Note

October 22, 2017

Sunday School at 9:45, coffee is usually ready by 9:30, so come early. Mike Grist will return to the adult class on October 22 following hip surgery two weeks ago.

Worship at 11 focused on Solomon's request for wisdom. Session meets for lunch after worship.

DON'T FORGET THE BREAKFAST AND CONSULTATION ON OCTOBER 29.

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Bible Reading (Cont.)

tablets has a built-in feature including a verse of the day. The You Version also has several different reading plans with topical devotions like 7 days reading and thinking about marriage.

Recently, Mr. Sherrard has been using another Bible application on his tablet from the NIV Study Bible. This application also has a verse of the day as well as a devotional for that day. Since it's linked to the NIV Study Bible, Rob can go directly from the devotional to studying the passage if it has something that stimulates his curiosity or strikes a chord with his study for the sermon for that week.

In a devotional from 31 Days of Wisdom, this intriguing idea appeared: "The lips of temptation seem to drip honey and speak soothingly (Proverbs 5:3). But life is full of rationales that lead to ruin and promises that lead to pain." That's the trouble with temptation; it always looks so attractive. Temptation always promises so much, only to disappoint and even to destroy in the long run.

Join the teens in making a commitment to stay in touch with the Word each day. You will certainly benefit from your discipline. It may surprise you how God will bless you!

God's Eternal Promise

After several weeks of dealing with the historical period of Israel's judges in worship, Windy Covians have now moved on to the prophets and kings. Samuel was the person who bridged this historical gap. He is considered the last of the judges and the first of the prophets. Samuel anointed the first two kings of Israel: Saul and David.

On Sunday, October 15, the congregation examined the promise found in 2 Samuel 7. There, God declares to David through the prophet Nathan that a ruler from David's lineage would always be on the throne of an everlasting kingdom. Historically speaking, David's kingdom did not last forever. Israel suffered ups and downs for about a thousand years, but that kingdom was eventually obliterated by the Roman Empire in 70 A.D.

However, David and his kingdom were a prophetic foreshadowing of God's eternal kingdom established and ruled by a true descendant of David, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus himself spent his entire ministry preaching about, demonstrating, and revealing this eternal kingdom that God had promised. By their faith in Jesus, Christians have access to that eternal kingdom.

God's eternal kingdom is present wherever Jesus rules as King. So, Jesus can proclaim that the Kingdom of God is within you. If Jesus through the presence of the Holy Spirit rules in your life, then you are part of God's eternal kingdom.

Or, again, Jesus says, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there will I be in their midst." The Kingdom of God is present to faithful believers who gather in Jesus' name. Even those who did not openly acknowledge Jesus as a king recognized the power and authority in his teaching and healing.

The beginning verse of the New Testament ties Jesus' ministry directly to the eternal promise made in 2 Samuel 7. Matthew's Gospel begins, "This is a record of the ancestors of Jesus the Messiah, a descendant of David and of Abraham . . ." Jesus is that descendant of David who rules in God's eternal kingdom and makes it available to all who put their trust in him.

On October 22 the congregation will look at King Solomon as he responds to God's question: "What do you want? Ask, and I will give it to you!" Do you remember what Solomon said? How would you reply to this question?

People and Prayers

We recently had encouraging news from Catie King who has been in Myrtle Beach, SC receiving cancer treatments.

MY PET SCAN RESULTS CAME BACK YESTERDAY AND THEY WERE ALSO NEGATIVE!!!!!!! Well, "I AM CANCER FREE"!!! BUT, my fight is not over! All of our personal fights are not over.

Anyhow! I will continue my dietary restrictions for at least 2 years, and then I can SLOWLY add a few things back into my diet to have at random or on a special occasion (a simple slice of birthday cake will be a true birthday gift!). I just have to be so careful in my future years, especially with my type clear-cell cancer being so highly reoccurring. But don't you worry, I have been told by God 365 times in the Bible, not to fear. Once for every day of the year, so every day for the rest of my life, I will not fear! :)

I'm super excited to say that I will be back in Virginia with my husband and puppies and kitties and all the chickies by the end of the month!!! My last day of treatment at AwareMed will be on Oct. 27th. I can't wait to be home.