

Sunday, February 5, 2023

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Using the Improbable to Do the Impossible

by Doug Kashorek

Quite often throughout history God has had to get those who would be His people to trust in Him once again. To do this, He's displayed His power in such a great way that no honest person could boast in himself or attribute God's work to accident.

Noah offers a sacrifice after his salvation from the global flood. Abram believes God after all peoples are scattered at Babel. Israel is rescued from Pharoah's army through the splitting of the Red Sea. And Jericho's walls tumble as a new generation enters the Promised Land.

And yet, as time marches on and wickedness increases, as the supernatural dissipates into a long slog of natural occurrences, distrust for God's ability to save or concern for His own is rampant—even by those who cling desperately to Him by faith.

That's where Gideon is when the angel finds him hiding grain, but through a series of tests, God shows Himself to be the same God He's always been. The biggest is when 32,000 of God's people must meet 135,000 oppressors in battle. God tells Gideon that it's too many and whittles His army down to 300 ... "lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me.'" God uses the improbable to do the impossible.

And so, God uses a shepherd boy against a warrior giant to show Himself to a king and an army quaking in fear. He returns His exiled people to rebuild the temple and restore right worship through Ezra. And He sends His Son in weakness and foolishness to die on a cross.

Speaking through His resurrected Son and His inspired Word, we now live in an age without those displays of power on a biblical scale. God still uses the improbable to do the impossible ... and we who still cling by faith are seen as weak and foolish in the world.

If we, who have nothing to boast about in ourselves, are to win the generations after us for the gospel, we'll need to embrace our improbability and trust God to do the impossible through us.

MINISTER

Doug Kashorek (M-Th. 8am-2pm) Office Hours

ELDERS

Terry Garner Tim Kirl Jim Shuman

DEACONS

Randy Craig John Eckhart John Garner Chuck Jones Jerry Lemley Dan Mincks Jim Taylor

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday
Bible Class 9:30 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Evening 6:00 PM
Wednesday
Bible Class 1:00 PM
Bible Class 7:00 PM

FACEBOOK

36th Street Church of Christ (Public Page)

36th Street Church of Christ (private Group)

OUR PRAYER LIST

Judy Curkendall Helen Sweeney John Morehead Karen Hoover Nina Butterfield



Liz Hardman and family
Margaret Kashorek (Doug's mom)
Kay Williams (Kecia Garner's mom)
Helen May (Ileene Lemley's sister)

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Elsie Smith (lleene Lemley's family member)

Donna Brandyberry (Sabrina Simms mother)

Our Long Term Care Residents:

(full addresses on foyer bulletin board)
Edna Cain The Willows room 115
Lola Hitzel Rockland Ridge room 301
Eva Leonhart Worthington Care Center room 33A
Peggy Smith - Altercare of Summit Acres
Unit home B room 15A

Betty Armstrong - The Pines at Glenwood Apt 124

<u>Homebound:</u> Laura Menear, Betty Logan, Helen Sweeney, Pat Williamson, Phyllis Williamson, and Fred and Martha Nulter



GOD IS LOVE!

SONG REQUEST NIGHT FOR EVENING SERVICE ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

Do you have a hymn that you would like the song leaders to sing? We have set out a marker board in the foyer for you to write your requests on. If you write a song down, please plan to be here to help sing! Any questions, see Jay Houser.



Celebrate Birthdays and Anniversaries

2/5—John Lamp birthday
Martha Nulter birthday
2/8—Shirley Dotson birthday
2/11—Joyce Dotson birthday



Thank you all for the cards and prayers during this time with my illness.

Donna Brandyberry (Sabrina's mom)

Thanks to all who kept me in your thoughts and prayers, sent cards, texts and called to check up on me. I'm so blessed to have you all as my family! Looking forward to getting back to church!

Linda Wigal



Deepest Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Gary Grimm at the passing of his sister, Donna Fought. The funeral was this past Thursday.

Bible class teachers are needed on a monthly basis. If you can help, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.



Would you like to send a card?

→ You may place cards in the basket by the Deacon's desk & we will mail them out. Extra cards are also there for your use.



***TODAY—quick planning meeting after AM services concerning food prep and the children serving for the Widow's Walk luncheon. Parents of youth, please plan to attend

February 6(Mon) Leadership Meeting in MPR at 7PM

February 11 Saturday Breakfast in Corner Café at 9AM

February 18(Sat) Quilting day starting at 9AM in MPR

February 19(Sun) Widow's Walk Sweetheart Luncheon at noon after morning worship service with the youth of the congregation serving. Please see Angie Kashorek (304)615-1969 if you would like to prepare from the menu. Flyers to invite friends are on table in foyer.

<u>February 26 (Sun)</u> Teachers Meeting right after morning services for anybody interested at all in the Children's Bible Class programs or helping teach (or even in the future) with classes. Pizza will be provided

Youth Events

<u>Monday Night Merge</u>—starting tomorrow night (Feb 6th) at the North End Congregation @ 7PM. Snacks will be provided afterwards. The theme this week is *Stand to Represent God*.





Service Station

Items needed for the pantry this week: Canned Potatoes

You can drop items off in Room 2 or place in the service station bin in the foyer.





According to 1 Corinthians 10:13, what does God provide you when you're tempted so you can endure?

- A. way of strength
- B. way of pleasure
- C. way of entertainment
- D. way of escape



It's our long-time door greeter John Lamp's birthday, but he's not able to be with us. Tell the correct answer to one of his sisters—Karen Hoover or Pat Hill—for a prize!

Hey moms, dads, grandparents and KIDS! There is a new activity packet for school-age or younger children in the foyer on the first Sunday of every month.

Sunday, February 5, 2023 10:30 AM

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Opening Song

Song Leader: Jay Houser

Welcome & Opening Prayer:

Jeff DePuy

Song After Prayer

Song Before Communion

Table Speaker: Tom Butterfield

Scripture Reading: Matthew Snyder

Judges 7:2-3

Speaker: Doug Kashorek "Lest Israel Boast Over Me"

Invitation Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

6:00 PM Service

Song Leader: Mike Hale

Welcome Prayer: John Eckhart

Scripture Reading: Randy Craig

James 4:13-15

Speaker: Jim Shuman "It's Later Than You Think"

PM Communion

Jerry Lemley

Announcements / Closing Prayer:

Terry Garner

Privileged to Serve

	2/12/2023	2/19/2023
Song Leader	C Doyle	M Snyder
Welcome/Prayer	J Kelley	J Houser
Table Speaker	D Smith	J Shuman
Read Scripture	T Cramer	S Wigal
Speaker	T Garner	D Kashorek
Closing Prayer	J Carrico	T Garner
	Evening Services	
Song Leader	J Houser	S Mason
Welcome/Prayer	J Taylor	M Hale
Read Scripture	S Mason	R Kellar
Speaker	Song service	D Kashorek
Communion	F Newberry	J Taylor

Attendance & Contribution Week of 1/29/2023

J Carrico

T Garner

Sunday AM Bible Study: 69

Closing Prayer

Sunday AM Worship: 115 Sunday PM Worship: 52 Wednesday Bible Study: 66

> Contribution: \$3,549.95 Weekly Goal: \$4,250.00

Direct deposit contributions can be made here: https://tithe.ly/give?c=1322070

PRAYERS for Our Military:

Chris & Melanie DePuy, U.S. Air Force (son of Jeff & Julie Depuy)

> Brad & Amber Gibbs, U.S. Navy (grandson of Kelly & Genny Gibbs) THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!