MT. VERNON

Messenger

Mt. Vernon Church of Christ

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A "church" set on a

hill cannot be hid!

ELDERS

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MINISTER

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Our Services of Worship

Sunday School 9:30 am

Morning Worship 10:30 am

Sunday Night 6:00 pm

Wed. Bible Study 6:00 pm

DEACONS

Joe Duvall Johnny Gentry Mark Key Brad Knight T. G. Neville Larry Self

Website - www.mtvernonchurchofchrist.net

February 26, 2023

Missing

By Steve Higginbotham

One Sunday morning, a preacher pointed out to one of the elders that the flower arrangement that sits in front of the pulpit was missing. The elder hadn't noticed it, but he certainly did now. This elder pulled all the other elders to the side and asked them if they had any knowledge of what had happened to the flower arrangement. None of them knew; so the search for the missing flower arrangement was on.

The elders called a special meeting with the deacons and asked them to help locate this arrangement due to its great value; after all, the florist billed the church several hundred dollars for that arrangement. Every room in the church building, every closet, and every cabinet was turned upside down looking for that missing flower arrangement. Announcements were made in the church bulletin, emails were sent out, and even a phone tree message was sent to every family in the church. Still, they had no luck in recovering the missing flower arrangement. After looking at a "bare" pulpit for a month, the preacher got up to preach, reached down behind the pulpit, pulled out the missing flower arrangement, and placed it on its rightful stand in front of the pulpit. There were audible sighs of relief that could be heard from the unsuspecting congregation. But what followed next was this preacher's shortest, and perhaps his best and most convicting sermon he ever preached. He simply said, "I must confess, I am the one who took the flower arrangement. Why? Because I just wanted to see if, as a church, we were more stirred and moved to action by a missing flower arrangement than we were a missing soul."

Well, what about you? If you were a member of that church, would you have been convicted of misplaced priorities that morning? Give it some thought.

Good morning and welcome to the worship services here at Mt. Vernon. We are so thankful you have decided to join us! Please give us the chance to meet you and visit with you today. We would also request that you <u>fill out a visitor card</u> found in the pew in front of you and drop it in the collection basket so we may have a record of your visit! It is our prayer that we are an encouragement to you because you are an encouragement to us.

Prayer List

- **Jim Marshall** health issues and tests ran on heart
- **Zander Hampton** health issues
- **Sherri Dockery** eye surgery Feb. 27
- Landon Key surgery on his wrist on Feb. 23rd.
- Wayne & Becky Hatcher Becky is on dialysis and dealing with multiple health issues.
- **Brenda Self** dealing with pain and discomfort
- Lynn Neville continued health struggles
- **Donna Clines** Barren Co. Rehab Facility Rm. 52
- **Cristal Bliss** mother of Jim & Janelle Marshall's neighbor, battling cancer.
- **Heather Schuler** Member at Horse Cave in need of a liver transplant
- **Nicole Jones** daughter of Sherri Dockery dealing with seizures & moving to Colorado
- Vickie Isenberg Friend of Virginia Neville battling breast cancer
- Hal Garland Health Issues
- Colin Knight United States Marine stationed in Okinawa, Japan.
- Larry Hourigan Sarah Hampton's Brother-In-Law, liver cancer & dealing with severe pain
- **Rebecca Jones** friend of Sarah Hampton, breast cancer is doing well
- **Jacob Daniels** Son of Sherri Dockery
- Michael Price, nephew of Sarah Hampton, continues to battle colon cancer & surgery on March 6th
- Tracy Tarter Daughter-in-law to Linda Madison Breast cancer

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Amy Key on Wednesday March 1st.

Men's Business Meeting

The men of the congregation will be meeting Sunday March 3rd at 5:00 p.m. for a business meeting.

Wedding Shower

Wedding shower for Landon Key and Haleigh Simmons is being planned for Sunday April 16th at 4:00 p.m. in the church basement. Landon and Haleigh are registered at Target.

Mission Trip

Brad Knight is in Honduras on a mission trip. Please keep Brad and the work of this mission trip in your prayers. He will be returning Friday March 03.

Ladies Bible Class

The next ladies Bible class will be on Saturday March 25th at 9:00 a.m. in the basement of the church building.

Scheduled to Serve

Sunday a.m. [02.26.2023]

Greeters – Eldon & Beth Brown

1st Script. & Prayer – Shannon Hurley

Announcements – Mark Key

Song Leader – Jimmy Fox

Scripture Reading—Jimmy Fox

Opening Prayer – Mark Key

Communion Comments – T.G. Neville

Communion Reading – Eric Hampton(1 Cor. 11:23-29)

Communion Prayers – Roy Fox

Serving Communion – Jackson Pace, Brad Knight,

Lee Fox, & Shannon Hurley

Lesson – Jimmy Stephens

Closing Prayer – Larry Self

Sunday p.m.

Song Leader – Jimmy Fox

Communion – Mark Key & T.G. Neville

Scheduled to Serve

Sunday a.m. [03.05.2023]

Greeters – Jimmy & Amy Fox

1st Script. & Prayer – Jimmy Stephens

Announcements – Mark Key

Song Leader – Roy Fox

Scripture Reading—Brad Knight

Opening Prayer - Nick Pace

Communion Comments – Jimmy Fox

Communion Reading – Eldon Brown(Matt. 26:26-29)

Communion Prayers – Johnny Gentry

Serving Communion – Jackson Pace, T.G. Neville,

Quentin Fox, & Mark Key

Lesson – Nick Pace

Closing Prayer – Joseph Neville

Sunday p.m.

Song Leader – Roy Fox

Communion – Shannon Hurley & T.G. Neville