Peter, under inspiration, clearly describes these royal disciples, "But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). Later in Revelation 1:5-6, John would echo the same message, "Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood— 6 and He has made us to be a kingdom, priests to His God and Father—to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen (nasb).

You might notice that in the KJV and NKJV that "kings" is used rather than "kingdom" in Revelation 1:6. The Greek word that the Holy Spirit used, "basileian," is a word which means sovereignty, royal power, the realm in which a king sovereignly rules. Christians are a kingdom (Colossians 1:13) of royal priests with Christ as our King and Lord. Christians live as a chosen people to worship and serve the Father, the great God of heaven. When we assemble as a chosen generation of royal priests, we come together to worship in songs, prayers, and remembrance of the great sacrifice and glorious resurrection of our ""King of kings and Lord of lords." The Lord's church is a kingdom of servants created in Christ Jesus to worship together and together be his workmanship (Ephesians 2:10).

Sadly, sometimes God's special people forget the essential duty of royal priests in the Kingdom. They choose to put other things ahead of worship and faithful service to God. And even worse, they live to be "king for the day" with selfish pursuits. Rather than a focus on worship time serving God and others (Hebrews 10:24-25), they seem to desire for others to worship and serve them. They want to be the focus of attention and appear to have little interest or time to give for the Almighty and to serve the needs of others. However, the better choice is being royal disciples in the Lord's Kingdom for an eternity (I Corinthians 15:24).

What about you? Would you really want to be "King for a Day?"

Rick Bright

# It's God's Plan for Man

Believe: Hebrews 11:6, Mark 16:16, Acts 8:36-37, Acts 16:31

**Repent:** Matthew 4:17, Acts 2:38, Acts 17:30

Confess: Romans 10:9-10, Acts 8:37

Be Baptized: Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21,

Galatians 3:26-29, Acts 8:36-38,

Acts 22:16, Romans 6:3-4

Live Faithfully: Romans 6:4, Matthew 7:21,

# Lighting



In ancient days the lighting was very crude. People used torches, candles, wood or maybe oil for a small lamp. We have come a long way. For example, for some lighting in so-called smart houses, you just speak a word and a light comes on. Many people are afraid of the dark. Some young people may have a night light in their room. The Bible says that hell is a place of outer darkness. I don't know about

you, but if that is all that is said about hell, it is enough to convince me I don't want to go there. Ephesians 5:8 calls the lost "darkness". John says there are some who love the darkness rather than the light. II Peter 1:19 says, "And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts." Of course, dark and light are opposites. I love what the Bible says about the lighting in heaven. Revelation 21:23 says, "The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light."

Greely Kirkpatrick

### October 25, 2020

Rick Bright - preacher

churchofchristmo.blogspot.com

rbrightlr@gmail.com

Cell: 417-468-8194

Cathy's Cell: 599-8980

Office: 468-4161

# Sunday

Worship: 9:00 am Worship: 11:00 am (online)

# Wednesday

Assembly: 7:00 PM

# **Thursday**

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Class

# Sunday Morning Radio & TV

### **KOOL 104.7 FM**

Answers 9:00 AM
Hardy, Arkansas
Live stream
www.mvhometownradiostations.com

# **Channel 10**

Search 7:00 AM Living Word, 7:30 AM

**Channel 33**Know Your Bible, 10:30 AM

# Marshfield church of Christ

610 S. Marshall P.O. Box 458 Marshfield, MO 65706 (417) 468-4161

### churchofchristmarshfield.org

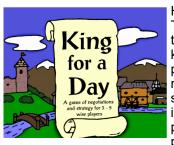
www.facebook.com/ marshfieldchurchofchrist

### Marshfield Church of Christ

# BULLETIN

# King For A Day

Revelation 1:6 "and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."



How about a chance to be King for a Day? There is a board game in which players take the part of competing nobles trying to become king. According to the makers of the game, players bid for special abilities, collect resource cards and gold and also build structures to generate more gold and most importantly more noble power. When the players finally reach the end of the game, the player with the most collected power wins and

becomes "King for a day." This game is based loosely on a time when European and English nobles would wage political and even physical wars to gain the upper hand over other nobles to advance to the much longed for position of king. Sometimes this power grab was not only a war waged with and against other nobles but also against those kings who were in power. Most of us remember and even read with great interest the stories of King Arthur and the knights of the round table. This legendary British king, according to medieval histories and romances, led the defense of Britain against Saxon invaders in the late 5th and early 6th centuries who were wanting to conquer and rule Britain. Despite the fact that the historical basis for King Arthur has long been debated by scholars, stories, books and movies have been produced that capture young minds and instill the inward desire to be king like Arthur, even if for a day.



Some of us may remember elementary school when the teacher would have a set of tasks to be accomplished by each class member and when done the teacher would select a king and queen for the day. This noble appointment meant first in line to recess, lunch and the bus. Often the teacher would have special throne seats in front of the class for the

king and queen to reign over the class by choosing things like hands up to answer a question, who could sharpen pencils or other servant duties even including who needed to write pages full of sentences or sit in the corner. Of course, some of us may remember that for some reason we never made it to be king for a day but do remember the fine details of the #2 pencils and the spider and the web in the corner.

Over 2000 years ago, a man would arise who would enable a vast number of people to become royalty. Jesus, by the power of the resurrection, would prove that he was worthy of the title, "King of kings and Lord of lords" (I Timothy 6:15). As a result, he would grant his obedient disciples a special place in his kingdom.

# News and Announcements:

**Welcome Visitors**: Please leave a record of your visit by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the collection plate.



Bible Class this morning will meet from 10:15 to 10:45. The 4th-8th grade will meet in the Haley House. High school and college age will meet in the preacher's house. The adult class in the fellowship room will be masked and the adult class in the auditorium will be mask optional.

Worship: Thank you for attending worship today. And thank you to all who are arranging and participating in our worship today. If you feel comfortable attending both masked and masked optional worship, you are welcome to attend both worship assemblies. Also, we encourage you to vary Sunday attendance times so that you enjoy the interaction and fellowship of more members of the congregation until we return to our past normal assembly times.

**Sincere Sympathy** is extended to the following families:

**Norma Nash** and her family at the passing of her sister, Jo Stinson, last week.

**Pauline Buttram** and her family at the passing of her cousin, Laura Shaver, who recently passed away from Covid-19.

**Daniel Hyder** and his family at the recent passing of his grandmother, Virginia Cooper.

**June Boone** and her family at the passing Friday night of her children's father, Jim Robison.

Graveside memorial services will be held for Joanne Neal, daughter of Ruth Hatfield, at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at the Marshfield Cemetery on White Oak.

**Books:** The *God and Government* books we ordered have arrived. We ordered 4 more books than people had requested in case people wanted a book who had not signed the list. Put your payment of \$10.00 in the container on the table and make checks out to the church since the church already paid for the order. If you preordered and also prepaid, please tell Ron Thompson.

Special Seminars Available: Memphis School of Preaching is offering free online seminars on their website, msop.org/SEMINARS/ October 26-29. Although the series is designed for preachers, others may be interested in the sessions. Topics include "The Preacher and Time Management," "Grief," "Elder-Preacher Relationships," "Postmodernism," "Atheistic Objections," "Politics," and "The Afterlife." Recordings of previous seminar presentations are available on the website as well.

Sparta Gospel Meeting: The Sparta Church of Christ will have a Gospel Meeting November 8-11 with Rob Whitacre. They will be meeting at 7:00 Monday - Wednesday.

**"Thank you** to everyone who has given their time and labor and donated money. It is like a dream come true. I'm just speechless! When I go into the house, I think of all you guys. Thank you so much to everyone for everything!" Nicole Zabala



**Time Change:** The time change is next Sunday!

On November 1, we will "fall back" one hour.



# **Remember in Prayer:**

The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. James 5:16

\* indicates local member at Marshfield

\*William Dill continues to suffer from frequent severe migraines.

\*Suzi Doty has been suffering with a lot of back pain. **Lance Dudley**, Jim King's nephew, has been hospitalized. **Shanda Hahn**, a relative of Becky Hyder, has stage 4 cancer. **Sid Heistand**, Elvis's father, has been diagnosed with terminal cancer.

Karen Helms, a friend of the Chafins, has cancer.

**Dean Horning** is doing better.

\*Connie Isis has an appointment October 28 and hopes to be getting shots in her back.

Marsha Kammerer had a cyber knife procedure and will have a follow-up MRI October 29.

\*Bobby Lewis continues to fight a battle with seizures and other related health problems.

\*Missy Lewis is having ear problems and is asking for your

**Keith McHenry** is now on the list for a kidney donor. Tve McMasters is doing well.

**Eli Peak**, a friend of Alex Heistand, has lung cancer. **Tom Porter**, Jeana Tracy's brother-in-law, is in a nursing

home in Mountain Grove.

**Galen Salmons**, son-in-law of Leon Moon, is in intensive care in Jefferson City with Covid-19 and underlying conditions. The family is currently under quarantine and showing symptoms of the virus.

Josh Simmons, grandson of Shirley Ellingsworth, is home but still in a great deal of pain.

James Taylor, a friend of the Hyders, is battling cancer. **Liz Barrows Taylor,** friend of Leon Moon and Patty, is confined to a walker with rheumatoid arthritis.

Ila Thomas has been diagnosed with ALS. Ila is the sister-in -law of Janet Batson Penn who has visited with us.

Charles Todd, Ivan's brother, has been suffering with heart

**Geneva Tracy**. Jeana's mother, is having trouble with her

Chevenne Villines has begun weekly chemo treatments.



Becky Hyder 11/07

Terry McMasters 11/16

Pat Lamb 11/13

Happy Anniversary Linda Blazer 10/26 Vickie Cantrell 10/26 Kendall & Dena Ben Greer 10/27 Elias Thompson 10/31 Norma Nash 11/01 Janet Fisher 11/02

Kanengieter 10/26 Travis & Nicole Hampton 11/14 Alan & Julie Lamb 11/23

Jerry & Pat 11/26

John Marchand 11/23

Cade Hampton 11/26

JoAnne Lawrence 11/24

Larry Chafin 11/24

**Eddie Watkins** is making slow progress toward independence and his speech is improving. **Susan Ziebarth** is having trouble with her diabetes.

### Remember The Care Bound

- Judy Barrow (Webco)
- Jaxon Bradley (Citizen's Memorial)
- Faye Blazer (Marshfield Care Center)
- **Bonnie Doherty** (Webco East)
- Pat Lamb (Webco)
- **Zoe Lawless** (Webco)
- Jeana Tracy (Marshfield Place) can have outdoor visitors now but you must call ahead to make arrangements. (417-234-7983)



#### Daily Prayer Additions

- 1. Prayers for those suffering from Covid-19
- 2. Prayers for individual members who are hurting due to family members who have been affected by the Covid virus.
- 3. Prayers for the Lord's church worldwide who are dealing with Covid-19 issues.
- 4. Prayers for our unity, love, spiritual and numerical growth, and a return to past "normalcy" for the congregation.
- 5. Prayers for our Bible classes to be filled with kids and adults.

October 18 combined attendance— 76 October 18 contribution—\$2372 October 21 Wednesday attendance—52

If you are unable to attend, contributions can be mailed to: Marshfield Church of Christ, P.O. Box 458. Marshfield. MO 65706.



Please bring shelf stable foods, toiletries, and similar items to the church building to be included in the pantry for local needs.