

April 2025



Nixa Church of Christ

News and Notes

Meeting Times:

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you." And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!"

But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—then

He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." And he arose and departed to his house.

Matthew 9:2-7

- Thanks to Evangelist Tad Morris for being with us to speak on March 16th.
- We look forward to Evangelist Doug Twaddell being with us to speak during our morning service on April 13 when he will deliver two messages. We will also have a carry-in dinner at noon.
- Thanks to Kevin Farthing for trimming and removing dead and broken limbs from the trees.
- Please pray for those with special needs including Mary Jane Johnson, Chuck Waterworth, Brenda Bogard, Jean Deason, Nancy Moore, Nadine Farthing, Devin McCall, Clayton Moore, Ruth Moore, Jerry Moore, Shannon Allen, Barbara Hutchinson, and John Derhammer.
- We offer live streaming of our Sunday morning worship on YouTube or for later viewing. Our website at www.nixachurchofchrist.org offers a variety of resources including audio messages from our visiting evangelists. There are also links to VBR (Video Bible Reading), The Gospel Message, and our newsletters.
- If you know of someone who would like to be added to our mailing list or have change of address. please let us know by email at nixachurchofchrist@gmail.com or our mailing address, PO Box 1521, Nixa, MO 65714.

The Unpardonable Sin

Jesus once said, “Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men. Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.” Matthew 12:31-32

The unpardonable sin; powerful words of Jesus. Have you ever read this passage and wondered? Have I ever spoken against the Holy Spirit? Have I committed a sin for which there is no forgiveness? Do I have no chance for redemption?

Jesus performed healing miracles out of love and compassion for those suffering, those whose open hearts recognized His power could only be from God above. “When Jesus saw their faith” he was moved to reward their faith. But at the same time his miracles were proof that he was not an ordinary man, but in fact the “Son of Man,” the “Son of David,” the promised Messiah. The scribes and Pharisees weren’t looking for this kind of Messiah. With “evil in their hearts” they felt threatened and were angered by every good deed Jesus did. They said “this Man blasphemes!” when in fact they were the ones blaspheming. Matthew 9:2-7

What is blasphemy? We don’t often use this word in our vocabulary today, but it means simply to show great disrespect to God. They accused Jesus, but their evil hearts disrespected God every day. Sin is simply disrespect to God - another form of blasphemy.

Remember when Jesus was baptized? “Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” Matthew 3:16-17 From that moment on Jesus was enabled by the Holy Spirit, to begin his ministry, to perform miracles, to heal the sick, even to forgive sins. So to reject Jesus was the same as rejecting God himself, and His Holy Spirit. The unpardonable sin which cannot be forgiven is simply rejecting the grace of God.

But it’s reasonable to wonder, is it possible for a Christian to sin beyond the point of being saved? Perhaps there is a line where enough sin amounts to rejection of God’s word, which is unpardonable. The seed sown on stony ground sprang up but withered away.

The apostle John wrote, “My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.” 1 John 2:1-2

Jesus is our advocate, our intercessor to the Father. He pleads our case. We should humbly ask forgiveness when we do wrong. Paul wrote, “Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.” Romans 8:26

“But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.” 1 John 1:7 The scribes and Pharisees were condemned for their rejection of Jesus teaching and the evidence of His Divinity. Today we also have that choice to believe or not to believe. If you’re a Christian, your hope for reward in heaven is real. You are forgiven. If you’re not a Christian when you face the judgment you will have to answer for the unpardonable sin. Why did you reject the Holy Spirit of God when its truth was presented to you?

David Young

Calendar Events

Birthdays in April:

April 1 - Laynie Carter

April 3 - Andrew Carter

April 3 - Lorelee Bennett

April 6 - Morgan Allen

April 24 - Mary Jane Johnson

April 29 - Nadine Farthing



“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.”

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

Anniversaries in April:

April 3 - David & Pam Young

Mark your Calendar for April:

April 6 - Leaders Meeting 8:30 am

April 7 - Ladies Bible Study 6:30 pm

April 13 - Doug Twaddell

April 13 - Carry-in Dinner at Noon

Coming Soon in 2025

May 4 - John Lee

June 8 - Louis Garbi

June 29 - John Lee

July 13 - Jeff Yost

August 10 - Rick Sparks

September 21 - Doug Twaddell

Program Schedule for April 2025:

- Sunday Morning -

Date	Songs	Read	Announcements	Table	Speaker
6	J. Bennett	D. Gooch	D. Carmichael	G. McCleave	J. Allen
13	M. Allen	D. Carmichael	M. Allen	B. Young	D. Twaddell
20	D. Young	C. Allen	D. Young	B. Lee	T. Allen
27	Brownsberger	B. Young	J. Allen	D. Carmichael	J. Bennett

Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: C. Payne (2 Peter, 1 John)

- Wednesday Evening -

Date	Songs	Teacher
2	Brownsberger	T. Allen (<i>Daniel Chapter 10</i>)
9	D. Young	D. Carmichael (<i>Being like Noah</i>)
16	Mutual Edification -	M. Allen (<i>Theme: Life</i>)
23	J. Bennett	Brownsberger (<i>Being like Abraham</i>)
30	T. Allen	J. Gooch (<i>Being like Joshua</i>)

Wednesday Evening Study: Chapter study of the Book of Daniel and Old Testament character studies

Contact Information

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Jeff Allen

David Carmichael

David Young

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Lisa Allen

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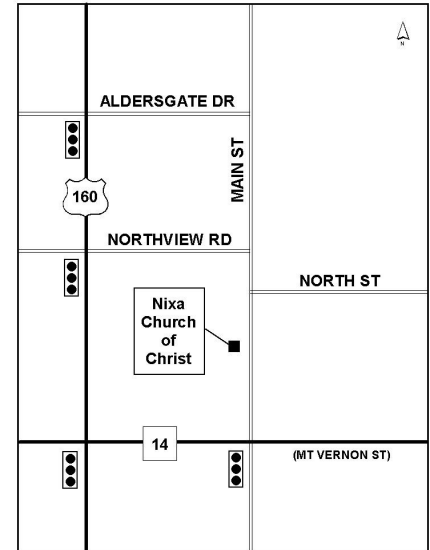
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