

June 2024



Nixa Church of Christ

News and Notes

Meeting Times:
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

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“My brethren,
count it all joy
when you fall into
various trials,
knowing that the
testing of your
faith produces
patience. But let
patience have its
perfect work, that
you may be perfect
and complete,
lacking nothing.”
James 1:2-4

- Thanks to Evangelist John Lee for being with us to speak during our morning service on May 19.
- We look forward to John Morris being with us to speak during our morning service on June 23 when he will deliver two messages. We will also have a carry-in dinner at noon.
- Congratulations to Gale and Deanna Maples on becoming grandparents again! Jonah Robert Maples was born May 16th in Michigan to Nathan and Lauren Maples.
- Our condolences to James and Lorelee Bennett and family on the passing of her father, Bob Marston on May 23rd.
- Please pray for those with special needs including Bennie Bogard, Brenda Bogard, Mary Jane Johnson, Ruth Moore, Jerry Moore, Clayton Moore, Chuck Waterworth, Nadine Farthing, Shannon Allen, Barbara Hutchinson, and John Derhammer.
- Live streaming of our Sunday morning worship is available on YouTube. To watch simply go to YouTube and search for “Nixa Church of Christ.” If you subscribe to our channel, you will get an email when our services are going live or view later if you prefer.
- Our website at www.nixachurchofchrist.org offers a variety of resources including audio messages from our visiting evangelists and last years weekend meeting. There are also links to VBR (Video Bible Reading), The Gospel Message, and our newsletters.

Relatability of the Bible

One of the things that makes the Bible so real to us is the relatability of the stories that it gives us. On some level, each of us will no doubt have very similar issues as those that we read about in these stories.

What got me started down this path was considering the story of Job. Many times we use him as an example of perseverance, but I believe that he can also be used as a microcosm of how we address the problems of this life. We will all have trials at some point in our lives that may cause us to question our faith. Maybe not to the degree that he faced, but things that are horrible and thoroughly test us nonetheless.

When that happens; what are we going to do? What will be our reaction, as it relates to God and our spiritual lives? Are we going to blame God and turn our backs on Him? Are we going to curse God and spiritually die? Will we use our misfortune to continually pontificate on the injustice of our dilemma? Or will we use it as an opportunity to look to God for comfort, and look to His word for guidance, to help see us through to the other side?

And Job is just one example that we could look at. Could we not look to the story of Solomon about issues on dealing with success? Or a study of Moses on how to deal with frustration? Or a study of Paul on how to deal with major life changes? Or a study of Joseph on how to deal with times when we feel abandoned? Or David on how to overcome when you do some horrible, sinful things. And the list could go on and on. No doubt our stories will never completely parallel the events that these people found themselves in; but the struggles of their lives in many ways are no different than the struggles that we continually find ourselves in; as we do the best that we can to live a Godly life.

From the Bible we learn that being a follower of God doesn't mean that you get a free pass from the problems of this life. It doesn't mean that all your diseases will be healed, or that you will never be faced with difficult times or decisions. It doesn't mean your financial state will always come up great. And the list of possibilities goes on and on; just as the examples of Biblical stories goes on and on for us to learn from.

But what it does promise us, is that the problems that we have will not follow us, once we leave this life. Because God has promised a place for those who will obey Him that doesn't include the problems of this life. And if we can remain faithful till their end; then we know that there is a place prepared for us; that will be worth the perseverance needed to survive today.

Michael Allen

Calendar Events

Birthdays in June:

June 5 - Brian Young

June 8 - David Carmichael

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June 11 - John Derhammer

June 23 - Joshua Martin

“In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.”

John 14:2-3



Anniversaries in June:

June 1 - David and Karen Carmichael

June 1 - Paul and Sondra Johnson

June 25 - James and Lorelee Bennett

June 28 - Jeff and Lisa Allen

Mark your Calendar for June:

June 2 - Leaders Meeting 8:30am

June 3 - Ladies Class 6:30pm

June 16 - Father's Day

June 23 - John Morris

June 23 - Carry-in Dinner at Noon

Coming Soon in 2024:

July 14 - Rick Sparks

August 11 - John Lee

September 15 - Tad Morris

October 19-20 - Fall Meeting

Program Schedule for June 2024:

- Sunday Morning -

| Date | Songs | Read | Announcements | Table | Speaker |
|------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| 2 | J. Allen | C. Allen | J. Allen | D. Young | C. Payne |
| 9 | T. Allen | J. Gooch | T. Allen | Brownsberger | M. Allen |
| 16 | M. Allen | D. Carmichael | M. Allen | J. Allen | C. Allen |
| 23 | Brownsberger | K. Farthing | D. Carmichael | C. Payne | J. Morris |
| 30 | J. Allen | B. Young | J. Allen | B. Lee | T. Allen |

Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: T. Dennis (Hebrews)

- Wednesday Evening -

| Date | Songs | Teacher |
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| 5 | Brownsberger | J. Allen (<i>Acts 8 - The Work of Phillip</i>) |
| 12 | M. Allen | T. Dennis (<i>Acts 9 - The Conversion of Saul</i>) |
| 19 | T. Allen | D. Young (<i>Acts 10 - Peter meets with Cornelius</i>) |
| 26 | Brownsberger | M. Allen (<i>Acts 11 - Peter Defends Inclusion of Gentiles</i>) |

Contact Information

Elders:

Michael Allen

Tom Allen

Tom Dennis

Deacons:

Jeff Allen

David Carmichael

David Young

Flowers for Ill or Bereaved:

Lisa Allen

Food for Ill or Bereaved:

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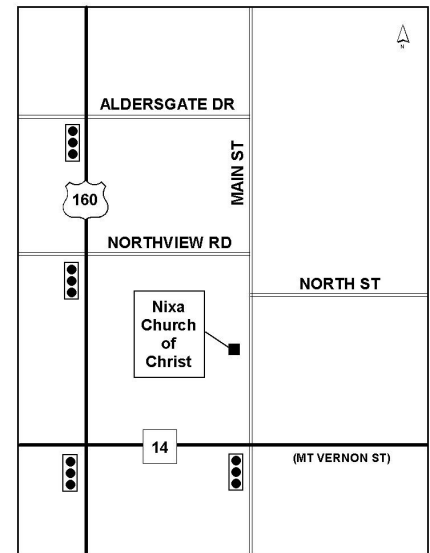
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