

November 2023



Nixa Church of Christ

News and Notes

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

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“So he went down and dipped seven times in the Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean. And he returned to the man of God, he and all his aides, and came and stood before him; and he said, “Indeed, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel.”
2 Kings 5:14-15

- Thanks to the Riverside Road congregation in Ozark for hosting the Fall meeting on October 14-15.
- We look forward to Evangelist John Lee being with us to speak during our morning service on November 19 when he will deliver two messages. We will also have a carry-in dinner at noon.
- Congratulations on 67 years of marriage to Jerry and Ruth Moore!
- Please pray for those with special needs including Barbara Hutchinson, Suzanne Scott, Clayton Moore and Shannon Allen.
- 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.
- 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.

Your Way or God's Way?

2 Kings chapter 5 tells us the amazing story of Naaman. He was commander of the army of the King of Syria. A great and honorable man in the eyes of his master. A mighty man of valor...but he was a leper. When he learned that a prophet of Israel could heal his leprosy, he made arrangements through his master to go to that prophet to be healed. When Naaman came to the door of the house of Elisha to be healed, Elisha sent his servant to Naaman saying, "go and wash in the Jordan seven times and your flesh shall be restored to you and you shall be clean." To that Naaman became furious and went away saying; "I said to myself, 'he (Elisha) will surely come to me and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and wave his hands over this place and heal the leprosy.' Aren't the rivers of Damascus better than all the water of Israel?"...and he went away in a rage. Soon Naaman's servant came to him and asked, "if the prophet had told you to do something great, would you not have done it?" And so, he did.

Here we have Naaman; a handsome, powerful, wealthy and proud man, who had his own ideas about how things should go and almost missed his opportunity to be healed. The first thing Naaman needed to do was get his pride in check. Proverbs 19:21 tells us "there are many plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails." 1 Peter 5:5-6 references another Proverb, "for 'God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.' Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He might exalt you in due time." If we think God should be more obvious in how he interacts with man remember how Paul put it in 1 Corinthians 1:27-29, "But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of this world and the things despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence."

Naaman's story reminds us that "there is a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof leads unto death." (Proverbs 14:12). Far too many people hear or read what God requires of them but have 'better' ideas about how to go about obeying Him. Let's be careful thinking our ways are better than the instructions we get from our Lord. "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways," says the Lord. (Isaiah 55:8)

Barry Brownsberger

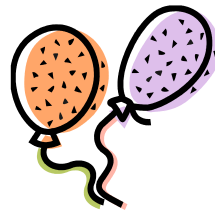
Calendar Events

Birthdays in November:

- November 2 - Nancy Moore
- November 7 - Joshua Gooch
- November 14 - Thomas Dennis
- November 22 - Lauren Allen

Anniversaries in November:

- November 16 - Michael & Shelby Carney



“Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.”

James 4:10

Mark your Calendar for November:

- November 5 - Daylight Savings Time Ends - Fall Back!
- November 5 - Leaders Meeting 8:30am
- November 6 - Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm
- November 7 - Election Day
- November 11 - Veterans Day
- November 19 - John Lee
- November 19 - Basket Dinner
- November 23 - Thanksgiving Day

Coming Soon in 2023:

- December 17 - Doug Twaddell

Looking Ahead to 2024:

- February 18 - Dan Huff
- March 17 - Doug Twaddell
- March 31 - Wade Stanley
- April 21 - Louis Garbi

Program Schedule for November 2023:

- Sunday Morning -

| Date | Songs | Read | Announcements | Table | Speaker |
|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------|
| 5 | M. Allen | G. McCleave | M. Allen | C. Payne | J. Allen |
| 12 | D. Young | D. Gooch | D. Young | A. Carter | B. Lee |
| 19 | Brownsberger | C. Moore | D. Carmichael | J. Gooch | J. Lee |
| 26 | J. Allen | J. Gooch | J. Allen | Brownsberger | M. Allen |

Teacher for Adult Class in the Auditorium: T. Dennis (1 Timothy)

- Wednesday Evening -

| Date | Songs | Teacher |
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| 1 | T. Allen | B. Lee (<i>Jesus cleanses the Temple - Matthew 21:12-13, Mark 11:15-19, Luke 19:45-46</i>) |
| 8 | J. Bennett | Brownsberger (<i>Zacchaeus - Luke 19:1-10</i>) |
| 15 | D. Young | C. Payne (<i>Men on road to Emmaus - Luke 24:13-43</i>) |
| 22 | Mutual Edification - D. Young (<i>Theme: Thanksgiving</i>) | |
| 29 | Brownsberger | J. Allen (<i>Mary and Martha - Luke 10:38-42</i>) |

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Tom Dennis

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David Young

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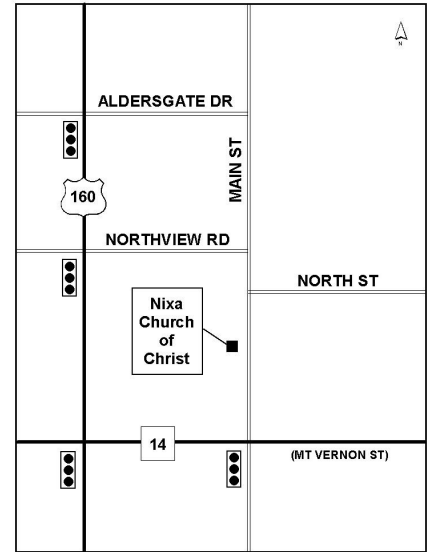
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