

We Strive to Be: A church devoted to making disciples of Jesus Christ, growing together in knowledge and relationship with God and each other.

## **Order of Worship**

Welcome/Announcements Pilgrim's Praise Song Leader	
Song Leader	Robb Mills
	Your Love is Amazing
	Shout Hallelujah
Prayer	Glenn Walker
	Sanctuary
	Covenant of Love
	All in All
Communion Talk	George Gordon
	Blessed Be Your Name
	This is the Day
Sermon: Acts-Growing Pains of the Church	Erik Granberg
-	Step by Step
Shepherd's Prayer	Dan Kent
Nursery	Geneva Osburn
Sound Booth/Slides	Jarad Skinnar

Sermon Scripture: Acts 15-1-35

## Sermon Thought:

Generally, change is difficult for people. We like doing things the way we are used to it and we like others to do things the way we do it. The conversion of Gentiles meant new people, different ideas and was raising an question for the early church: should Gentile believers have to adhere to the laws of Moses and other Jewish traditions like the Jews did?

## Sermon Questions:

1. Why do we like others to do things the way we do?

2. What difficulties would allowing new believers to do, look and think different bring?

3. How does this all apply to us?

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Aug 31 – Meal: Walking Tacos and cookies (5:00 p.m.) Aug 31 – Stamp Out Starvation (5:30-7 p.m.) Sept 10 – Men's Breakfast Sept 17 – Women's Breakfast Sept 14 – Meal: Tacos, Refried Beans, Cheesecake/Jello Cups Oct 19 – Meal: Asian Fest Nov 9 – Meatballs, Macaroni & Cheese, Potatoes, Chocolate Cake & Pumpkin Pie

## Birthdays:

28 <sup>th</sup>	Connie Johnson
31 <sup>st</sup>	Terry Gordon

### Record for 8-21-22

Morning Worship	146
Contribution	\$2,936.10
Budget	\$6,642.00

## **Heroes of Faith**

## Obadiah

Throughout my years in ministry, I have witnessed the destruction and devastation caused by severed relationships in families. Not being able to forgive and restore a severed trust and love causes a lifetime of misery and heartache. The prophecy of Obadiah has its setting in this kind of scenario. When Isaac and Rebekah had their twins, Esau and Jacob, the Lord told Rebekah "*Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples, born of you, shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger*" (Gen. 25:23). Over the centuries, the Edomites, descendants of Esau, were hostile toward the sons of Jacob. Because of this, Obadiah was called by God to pronounce final judgment on them.

Can you imagine the emotional difficulty our **hero of faith** had as he proclaimed the Lord's final judgment of the Edomites? "Thus says the Lord God concerning Edom: We have heard tidings from the Lord, and a messenger has been sent among the nations: ... Though you soar aloft like the eagle, though your nest is set among the stars, thence I will bring you down, says the Lord" (Obadiah 1 & 4). The sons of Esau remained enemies of the sons of Jacob and caused them great difficulty in their journey toward the heavenly promise. That is why Obadiah declared, "For the violence done to your brother Jacob, shame shall cover you, and you shall be cut off forever" (vs. 10). Obadiah's prophecy teaches us that when we oppose the Lord's way and the work of his people, we will be destroyed by his wrath. History tells us that after the fall of Jerusalem in A.D. 70, the Edomites are heard of no more. "But in Mount Zion there shall be those that escape, and it shall be holy; and the house of Jacob shall possess their own possessions" (Vs. 17). Our victory is in serving the Lord!

# Gordon Jantz

## **Thank You**

You never know what you'll need until you need it. I needed you and you have come through for me with flying colors. You will never know how much each and every one of you have helped me through this very hard time. I want to thank the Garland family for the flowers, prayers, concern and all the other things they have done in the past few weeks. Love,

Gene Denney

# **Did You Know:**

- \* Stamp Out Starvation is a non-profit headquartered in Cherokee, OK
- \* Its mission is to provide nutritious meals around the world and even at home
- \* Food bags containing rice, soy, vegetables, vitamins, and minerals are packaged by volunteers
- \* Each package contains six servings
- \* Our \$1500 donation goal will provide almost 7,000 meals-- only \$.23 per meal!!!

For our August 31<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Outreach, we are setting a goal of \$1500 to be given as a donation to Stamp Out Starvation. We need your prayers, your manpower, and your monetary donations. Please be inviting your friends and family to join us **this Wednesday** from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Christianity in Action

### Next Week's (9/4/22) Servants:

Song Leader:	Jim Coker
Welcome:	TBD
Opening Prayer:	David Granberg
Communion Talk:	Derek Tinius
Shepherd's Prayer:	Pat Meek
Sound Booth/ Slides:	Dudley Darrow
Nursery:	Wendy Taylor

## New Prayer Concerns:

The Family of Dr. Ebb Reeves – he passed away last week; a family friend of Jovita Lang <u>Gentry Hutcheson</u> – Krystal Wright's nephew; in the hospital getting treatment. He has been silently aspirating for 10 months. <u>Gene Denney</u> – recovering from back surgery, doing better <u>Carol Jantz</u> – will be having shoulder surgery September 2<sup>nd</sup> <u>Ally Coker & Isaac Taylor</u> – prayers as they start their new lives as Christians <u>Rustin Osburn Family</u> – passed away

# Pilgrim's Praise Memory Assignment:

1 Peter 5:7 "Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares for you.

# Items to be collecting for future outreaches:

- Money to help Stamp Out Starvation (give to Cory or Mandy)
- Empty toilet paper rolls (put in wooden box in the foyer)
- Empty paper towel rolls (put in wooden box in the foyer)
- Toiletries from hotels or travel sized (put in basket in main kitchen)
- We have enough backpacks, thank you!