

April 22, 2007

Essex Village Church of Christ

Schedule of Services

Sunday
Class 9:00 am
Worship 10:00 am
Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday
7:00 pm



ELDERS

Larry Casbeer 795-0429
Howard Streets 766-7727
David Wakeland 766-3601

MINISTER

Stefano Mugnaini 229-200-0101

DEACONS

Rick Porter 556-2679
Activities
Jim Lamm 556-6756
Benevolence
Lloyd McLawhorn 556-6709
Worship
Roddy Akers 559-3565
Song Service
Bill Noyes 278-1808
Technical
Larry Polutta 795-5266
World Bible School
Bill Ragland 556-6711
Building Maintenance
Hilton Googe 766-4670
Lynn Smallwood 766-8579
Grounds
Eddie Haselden 767-5511
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Dealing With Guilt

"When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer" (Psalm 32:3-4 NKJV).

Can you identify with the words of the Psalmist David? If you have ever suffered with the burden of guilt, then you understand the Psalmist's words. If anyone ever fully understood the pain that guilt brings to a person's life, David did. Read 2 Samuel 11 to find some of David's most well-known blunders. The guilt of his sin weighed heavily upon his mind. It made him restless. It consumed his energy. The burden of guilt does the same for you and me.

What do we do with guilt?

Listen to the Psalmist: "I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I

have not hidden. I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' And You forgave the iniquity of my sin" (Psalm 32:5).

Notice that the Psalmist didn't say that he tried to cover it up (though David had tried it before, 2 Samuel 11). He didn't try to ignore it, hoping it would go away. He didn't try to run from it, nor did he try to make excuses for his wrongful actions. Rather, he acknowledged the fact that he had committed sin and confessed those sins to the Lord. The Lord forgave him.

Jesus died on the cross so that we, too, might be forgiven of our sins. He "bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness; by whose stripes you were healed" (1 Peter 2:24). In order to have our sins forgiven and the burden of guilt lifted from our lives,

we must believe in Him (Acts 16:31), repent of our sins (Acts 17:30), and be baptized so that our sins can be washed away (Acts 2:38; 22:16). Then, as we continue to walk in the light as He is in the light, the blood of Jesus continues to cleanse us from all sin (1 John 1:7).

Once we have responded to Christ on His terms, we may know the blessedness of forgiveness of which the Psalmist wrote in Psalm 32:1-2: "Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, Whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, And in whose spirit there is no deceit" (Psalm 32:1-2).

Will you allow the Lord to set you free from the burden of guilt by responding to Him on His terms?

God bless you!

Article by Frank Sargent



Military

Robert Bagley
 Kristopher Black
 Russell Coble
 James Dalton
 Mark Fiorey
 Ellis Flenoid
 Steven Hilton
 Michael Hilton
 Matthew Lemieux
 Katie McCaskill
 Kevin Mitchell
 Shawn Reynolds
 Rob Weltzin

*For the Record:
 Week of 04-15-07*

Bible Classes: 91
 AM Worship: 153
 PM Worship: 77
 Wednesday Evening: 80
 Contribution: \$3,391.00

*Communion Preparation
 & Baptismal Garments*

Prepare Communion:
 Sharon Rush
Baptismal Garments:
 Pam Ragland
Elder of the Month:
 Larry Casbeer 795-0429

*Program
 of Worship*

Announcements:
 Larry Casbeer
Song Service:
 Roddy Akers
Opening Prayer:
 Hilton Googe
Communion:
 Paul Harrelson
Sermon:
 Stefano Mugnaini
Closing Prayer:
 Raymond Boynton



Thanks for Praying...

**VISITS TO OUR
 SHUT-INS**



Ava Bullard
 Helen Embry
 Scotty Hall
 Mildred Inabinett
 Leonard McNeill
 Lois Ott

Nikolas is in remission but will undergo chemo for two years and has a long road ahead. Nik is the nephew of Angela Noyes.

Mike Allen, preacher for Chesapeake Church of Christ, has bone cancer. Gary Moody has requested prayers for him.

Felicia Bennett, a member of Berkeley Church of Christ, is having health problems.

Carol Bohanna, a neighbor of Kim Koontz, has cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy.

Tracy Boyles, Anne Marie's father-in-law, is not doing well.

Martha Broom, a friend of Ona White, has cancer.

Maxine Doll had a pace-maker put in and has other health problems. Maxine is Pam Ragland's mother.

John Donan, Norma's cousin, has terminal bladder cancer.

Dennis Flatley, a friend of Jim Lamm, is currently undergoing chemo to treat his cancer.

Marna Fields, a friend of Natasha Streets, has requested prayers for her 2 year old son Pazell. He had his surgery and is now at home recuperating.

Kevin Goodman, Jim & Esther's granddaughter's boyfriend, is having health problems.

Wesley Hahn is in need of prayers for his health and employment. His mother is a close friend of Faye Spence.

Judy Hennessee, a family member of Carl Bowles, has started chemo treatment following her double mastectomy.

Nell McIntire has cancer and is the sister of Lois Ott.

Melissa Murray is being treated for cancer, please keep Melissa and her family in your prayers.

Lauren Parker, a friend of Ginnie Streets, had her baby and has begun chemo.

Elose Patterson, Earline Smalls' niece, is in a coma and the family is taking care of her at home.

Geneva Sims, a friend of Ronnie & Sharon Rush, has Lou Gehrig Disease.

Candice Spence, needs our prayers for health problems and is the granddaughter of Chuck & Faye.

John Torres, Johnny Murray's brother-in-law, has cancer and is not doing well.

Here's What's Happening...

Pounding for the Preacher

Following the Sunday evening services, we will have a pounding for the preacher. Everyone is asked to bring finger foods and an item for Stefano & Shelli's pantry.

Soup Kitchen

Anyone interested in

volunteering at the Crisis Ministry on Monday, please see Mary Beth.

Ladies Bible Class

The ladies meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 in the annex for Bible class.

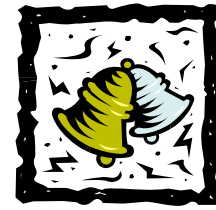
Visitation

You are invited to join

Raymond Boynton, Larry Casbeer and Stefano visit our members who are homebound on Tuesday mornings at 10:00.

Food Pantry

If you would like to donate to the food pantry, the item for this week is canned meat. Thank you!



Happy Anniversary!

4/26
Ken & Sue Janicki
4/27
Bryan & Shannon Wakeland
4/28

Ladies Day is fast approaching...

Our Ladies Day will be on April 28th from 8:30 to 12:30. Sheila Lowe from Holly Hill Church of Christ will be our speaker. In preparation for the day, a work day is scheduled to decorate

the building on the April 26th. All who can come and help, please do so. If you have any questions, please see Brenda.

To help us plan for the event, we ask that all

who plan to attend sign the sheet in the foyer.



Happy Birthday!

4/22 Brenda Streets
4/23 Kenneth Scott
4/24 Bea Patton
4/28 Brittany Herman
4/28 Agnes McLawhorn
4/28 Jimmy Snyder



Visit the Children's Library today at 5:00.

Placing Membership...

We are pleased to announce that Arnold Walden has expressed his desire to worship and work with us here at Essex Village. Arnold along with his wife, Nancy, and her

mother, Violet, have been attending worship services for some time now. If you have not had the opportunity to meet Arnold and his family, please be sure to do so.

On the Bulletin Board...

Azalea Drive Church of Christ's 11th Annual Mother/Daughter Program and Luncheon will be held on Saturday, May 12th at 1:30 pm. Please check the bulletin board for more information.

The Johns Island congregation invites you to join them for a three day celebration, April 28th-30th with

Minister Joe Brown, from the Dill Street Church of Christ of Richmond, Virginia as the guest speaker.

Southeastern Children's Home will be having their Bi-Annual Bar-B-Q and Blue Grass Benefit Dinner on Saturday, June 2nd. For more information, please see the bulletin board.

You are invited to the Senior Rally at St. Andrews Church of Christ on April 28th. The topic will be "Paul's Pattern for Growing Older". Please see the bulletin board for more information.

Berkeley Church of Christ will be having their Spring Gospel Meeting on April 22nd-26th.

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