

## Those to Serve

### Wednesday Evening, May 20, 2026

Announcements .....Teddy Bodiford  
 Lead Singing .....Gary Gill  
 First Prayer ..... Jack Gill  
 Read Scripture.....Sawyer Tigner  
 Dismissal Prayer.....Brandon Tigner

### Sunday Morning, May 24, 2026

Announcements..... Teddy Bodiford  
 Lead Singing.....Gary Gill  
 First Prayer.....Gary Byers  
 Read Scripture..... Gene Ross  
 Preside at Table ..... Craig Harris  
 Serve Congregation.....  
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 Dismissal Prayer.....Phil Webster  
 Nursery Attendant..... Teresa Tigner

### Sunday Evening, May 24, 2026

Announcements..... Teddy Bodiford  
 Lead Singing..... Gary Gill  
 First Prayer.....Ronny Cornelius  
 Read Scripture..... Rickey Tigner  
 Preside at Table ..... Craig Harris  
 Dismissal Prayer..... Don McAlpin

### “Key Men” for May

Sunday AM (Open)..... Jon Kennedy  
 Sunday AM (Close) ..... Rickey Tigner  
 Sunday PM (Open).....Brandon Tigner  
 Sunday PM (Close) ..... Ramsey Callahan  
 Wednesday PM (Open)..... Gilbert Shelby  
 Wednesday PM (Close)..... Jonathan Hubbard

## Coming Events

Our **Vacation Bible School** will be Sunday-Wednesday evening, July 5-8! Be making plans now to attend and begin inviting others. Re-member to visit our website: [middletoncoc.org](http://middletoncoc.org) where you can also view our weekly bulletin.

### Family Matters

**Dottie Clift** is now home from the hospital and is slowly improving. Keep her and Ronny in your prayers.  
**Joyce Shelby** is improving and hoping to be home this week. Keep her and Gilbert in your prayers.  
**Linda McAlpin** is now in Cornerstone Rehab & Healthcare Center, room B10. 302 Alcorn Dr, Corinth, MS 38834.  
**Jim Maxwell** is currently undergoing treatments for cancer. Keep him and Pat in your prayers.

### Community Matters

Keep Stephen Thompson, Rhonda Carver, JoAnn James, Beverly Martindale, Joe Ricketts, Les Shelby, Susie Sargent, Florence White, Helen Coffman, Hazel Thornton, Kent Pulse, Adam Wallace in your prayers.

### Prayer List

Jerry McCord, Gail Mills, Elaine Capshaw, Melinda Russell, Linda McAlpin, Betsy Lucas, Donna Shepherd, Samuel Porterfield, Jan Webster, Mica Shelly, Bill Craft, Tresa Danley.

*Remember our service men & women in your prayers.  
 Remember all our missionaries in your prayers.*

### For The Record

Mid-Week Bible Study.....91  
 Sunday School.....103  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....150  
 Sunday Evening Worship.....92  
 Contribution .....\$5,397

**Prayerfully consider your part in the above record**

### Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Sunday, May 24.....2 Chron. 23-25  
 Monday, May 25.....2 Chron. 26-28  
 Tuesday, May 26.....2 Chron. 29-30  
 Wednesday, May 27 .....2 Chron. 31-32  
 Thursday, May 28.....2 Chron. 33-34  
 Friday, May 29 .....2 Chron. 35-36  
 Saturday, May 30..... Ezra 1-2

## What Must I Do To Be Saved?

1. Hear the Word of God- Romans 10:17.
2. Believe the Word of God- Mark 16:16.
3. Repent of sins- Acts 17:30-31.
4. Confess Christ- Romans 10:9-10.
5. Be Baptized to wash away sins - Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:20-21; Mark 16:16.
6. Be Faithful unto death- Rev. 2:10.

## JEFF’S JOTTINGS

On **Memorial Day** we will meet in the annex at 6pm. Bring your favorite dish and a picture for a “Wall of Heroes” for those who served and are now gone. There will also be a Cornhole Tournament.

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The **Pew Packers class** meets each Sunday evening at 5:45 pm. This is for children ages newborn through sixth grade.

**The Ladies Class** meets each Tuesday in the annex at 10 am. All ladies are invited!  
**Pantry Item** Of The Week: Manwich or any items you would like to bring.

“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace,” James 3:17-18.

## What Jesus Did NOT Do

When faced with challenging situations in life, it is a good practice to ask, “What would Jesus do?” An even better practice is to ask, “What did Jesus do?”

When considering what Jesus actually did, consider also what Jesus did not do.

When Jesus was put on trial and even while He hung on the cross, Jesus was “mocked” (Matt. 27:29, 31, 41), “treated...with contempt” (Luke 23:11) and “reviled” (Matt. 27:44). They “spat upon” Him (Matt. 27:30), “struck” Him (Matt. 27:30), “beat” Him (Matt. 26:67) and “blasphemed” Him (Matt. 27:39). Look at how Jesus responded. Look at what He did not do.

“When He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten” (1 Pet. 2:23).

If you want to “follow His steps” (2:21), you must learn to respond to maltreatment as Jesus did and not return evil for evil. Instead, Jesus kept on committing Himself to God (2:23).

Living like Jesus involves what we do and what we do not do!  
*David Sproule*

## Incredible!

Two incredible events happened this week in history a brilliant feat of 19th-century engineering, the Brooklyn Bridge—spanning the East River from Brooklyn to Manhattan Island in New York City—opened this week May 24 in 1883. It was also the longest suspension bridge in the world when opened, with a main span of 1,595.5 feet. The second incredible event American aviator Charles Lindbergh completed the first nonstop solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean this week May 21 in 1927, traveling from New York to Paris in the monoplane Spirit of Saint Louis in about 33.5 hours. A distance of 3,600 miles it was the longest at the time by nearly 2,000 miles, the first solo transatlantic flight, and set a new flight distance world record. It stands as one of the most consequential flights in history, signaling a new era of air transportation between parts of the globe. We remember these events of great achievement.

Have you ever thought of what Christ did as an event of great accomplishment? It stands alone as the greatest event ever.

1<sup>st</sup> Peter 1:3 “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,” It is unlike any other event ever and may we never forget to remember it.

## Worthy To Be Praised

The word “worthy” means “having worth or value; of commendable excellence or merit; deserving attention, respect, admiration.” Read those words one more time. Then think about the words of Psalm 18:3 “—I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised.”

Our Lord is WORTHY to be praised! There are many reasons for that, but note the ones that David emphasizes in the verses right before this. The Lord is “my strength...my rock...my fortress...my deliverer...my trust...my shield...the horn of my salvation...my stronghold” (18:1-2).

Those are easy to read over quickly. Go back and think about YOUR God being EACH of those things for YOU. Emphasize the word “my” as you read each one.

NO WONDER David gushed forth with exuberance that he could almost not contain. David was not stating some matter of fact or some calendar event. His God was “worthy to be praised,” and he knew it and longed to do it!

Do we realize how worthy our God is of our praise?

*-David Sproule*