

# The Lord's Day

## January 17, 2021

Call to Worship: Patsy Nicholson  
Welcome/Announcements: Pastor Jordan Wright  
Invocation: Pastor Jordan Wright  
Worship: "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" #680  
Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes  
Special Music: Gail Hinton  
Sermon: Pastor Danny Janes  
**"Life Ain't Fair! - Part 2"**  
Scripture: 1 Peter 2:13-25  
Closing Prayer: Pastor Danny Janes

### Prayer Requests

Judy Barham, Becky Carney, Cindy Greeson,  
H.C. Hudson, David James, Dixie Jones,  
Robert Jones, Tara Jordan, Helen Kington,  
Frances Lane, Julie McCormick, Patrick  
McCormick, John Owens, Shelby Paschal,  
Ken Rierson, Barbara Sebastian, Ed Sebastian,  
Carla Sharpe, Ann Shirah, Ron Simpson,  
Johnnie Stacy, Kay Tingen, Edd Valentine

**BLOOD DRIVE** on **Monday, January 18, 2:30**  
**to 7:00 pm**, here at Liberty



Wesleyan. To pre-register  
go to

[www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)

and use **sponsor code: Liberty Wesleyan**. Or  
you may text or call **Tricia Durham** at **(336)**  
**269-1453** or **Donna Durham** at **(336) 587-4637**  
to pre-register.

**BAPTISM SERVICE:** We will be having a



**Baptism Service** on  
**January 31**. If you are  
interested in being a part  
of this event, please

contact the pastor or sign-up on the sheet on the  
back-hallway bulletin board by January 24.



As the case count for  
Covid-19 remains high,  
we want to remind you  
of the safety measures  
we have in place.

**GUIDELINES FOR SAFE OPENING:** The  
health and safety of our people is the highest  
priority for us in reopening the church. Here are  
some of the safety measures we are taking to  
ensure compliance with all government  
recommendations:

1. If you are displaying any symptoms of illness – **STAY HOME!**
2. You are requested to wear a mask when entering and exiting the building.
3. If you are in a high-risk category due to age or pre-existing health conditions, please exercise good judgment in deciding when it is safe for you to come back to church.
4. Additional hand sanitizer stations and disinfectant wipes have been placed throughout the church.
5. In order to create safe-spacing between people, every-other-pew will be left open in the sanctuary.
6. If you need a mask, they are available at the doors.
7. As many frequently-touched surfaces as possible have been removed or marked "Not in Service."
8. Shaking hands and hugging should be restricted.
9. Please remember to keep the doorways at the front and back of the church and sanctuary open and unblocked so others may freely come and go. We would prefer, if possible, to have all socialization outside the building.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.



On Tuesday, January 12, the Liberty Church Board approved the following items of interest:

1. Pastor Danny reported that in-person attendance has shown a steady increase during the months of November and December. Two Sundays in November were 80, or above, in the 10:00 a.m. service. Online viewership can vary, but has been consistently strong. Combined in-person and online attendance still does not equal pre-Covid numbers, but we are fortunate to have both options available.
2. Tithes & Offerings have remained consistent. We are running a little behind budget (YTD), but our expenses have been significantly lower in several categories. Thank you for your faithful stewardship!
3. We received the good news that Truist Bank (formerly SunTrust) has notified us that our PPP (Paycheck Protection Program) Loan has been completely forgiven. Special thanks to Angel Tharrington for helping us navigate the application and reporting process of this government stimulus/assistance program.
4. The board discussed the overall health and status of the LWC congregation during the reopening of the church. While our current situation is not ideal – the morale of our people has been amazingly strong! Thank you Liberty Wesleyan for your positive faith and support of the church during an unprecedented year!
5. Pastor Danny gave an update on the Sr. Pastor’s health insurance coverage and premiums for 2021. His coverage has changed from Blue Cross/Blue Shield to United Health Care. No increase in annual premium.
6. Pastor Danny shared an update on Robert Jones’ request to find a replacement for Church Treasurer position. Both an interim solution and a long-term plan are in-process.
7. Approved adding the names of Sue James and Amy Suggs to the list of authorized

signatories with Truist Bank for church checks.

8. Confirmed plans and safety protocol for **Baptism Service, Sunday January 31.**
9. Discussed preliminary plans for Homecoming 2021. Tentative date – **September 19.** We will contact Southern Wesleyan University and try to reschedule the University Singers again this year. If unavailable, we will discuss alternate options.
10. So long as current Covid-19 numbers continue to spike upward in the state, and the Governor imposes Phase 3 gathering restrictions, we will continue to operate on the same service schedule: **Sunday School – 9:00 a.m. Morning Service – 10:00 a.m.** Schedule changes will be considered as conditions allow.



Our condolences and prayers are extended to the **Helen Vernon family.** Helen passed away on Saturday, January 9, 2021. A private

family graveside memorial service was held in the Liberty Wesleyan Cemetery on Tuesday, January 12. Please remember her daughter Cindy Rousseau, son, Keith Vernon, and the family in your prayers.

**Offering for Sunday, January 10, 2021**

Sunday School	\$22.00
Missions	\$313.00
Offering	\$5,517.25
Online	<u>\$681.26</u>
Total Received	\$6,533.51
Children’s Fund	\$100.00

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Budget Conf. Year 2020-2021	\$274,711.00
January 2021 - Budget Assigned	\$26,414.52
Weekly Budget Assigned	\$5,282.90
Amount Rec 2 Sunday(s) in Jan.	\$12,116.10
Amt Rec’d as of Jan. 10, 2021	\$193,966.30
Budgeted amount for week 37	\$195,467.44

Tellers: Carla Sharpe & Johnnie Stacy



**Date:** January 17, 2021

**Text:** 1 Peter 2:13-25

*“For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of **unjust suffering** because they are conscious of God. . .But if you **suffer for doing good** and you endure it, this is commendable before God.” (1 Peter 2:19-20)*

## 2. The \_\_\_\_\_

*“Submit yourselves **for the Lord’s sake** to every authority instituted among men. . .” (vs. 13-14)*

## 3. The \_\_\_\_\_

*“For it is God’s will that by doing good you should **silence** the ignorant talk of foolish men.” (vs. 15)*

**Translation:** “to close the mouth with a muzzle.”

## 4. The \_\_\_\_\_

**Principle:** If you follow the \_\_\_\_\_ which Christ \_\_\_\_\_, you become more like He \_\_\_\_\_.

*“To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps.” (vs. 21)*

*“Instead, He entrusted Himself to Him who judges justly.” (vs. 23)*

***Life ain’t fair – but God is good!***

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