



Lytle Light

You Are The Light Of
The World.

– Matthew 5:14a

Believers are appointed to be a lighthouse to others; a cheering lamp, a shining star, a loving guide.

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Sunday Schedule: 9:45AM – Bible Study | 10:45AM – Worship

12:00PM Fellowship Meal (4th or 5th Sundays)

Wednesday Schedule: 4PM – Bible Study

February 8, 2026

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THE HIGH ROAD – BY F.L. BOOTH

The road I've traveled the past few years
Is broad and easy but full of tears.
It beckons gaily, yet brings no hope
For peace of mind or a way to cope.

It says so subtly, Come follow me,
I'll take you places you want to see.
The road leads nowhere, and paved with lies,
Deceives the heart and destroys the prize.

Now over yonder there lies a road
That's built with promise to ease the load.
The way is narrow and sometimes steep
Where mountains rise up from canyons deep.

There's joy and blessings for those who dare
To tread its pathway each step with care.
The sun shines brightly and flowers bloom,
While birds sing sweetly dispelling gloom.

I'll pray for courage to change my course,
The Lord forgives and provides the source.
My family beckons and points the way,
Their love will follow my steps each day.

I'll chart the high road that winds above,
The Lord calls softly with tender love.
I'll take the hand He holds out to me
And trust His wisdom to set me free. **END**



If you're searching for faith rather than simply religion; virtue rather than simply values; relationship rather than rule-keeping; divine help rather than self-help; then we may be the place for you.

WELCOME VISITOR!

If You're Visiting Today, We Welcome Each & Every One Of You To Our Worship Services! We Hope You Will Stay After Services So We May Become Better Acquainted! And Be Sure To Join Us For Our Bi-Monthly Fellowship Meal After Worship Services, Usually On The 4th or 5th Sunday approximately every other month!

Be Sure To Pick Up A Visitor Pamphlet From The Table Under The Mirror In The Front Hall.

And Please Fill Out A Visitor Card From The Back Of The Pew In Front Of You And Place It In The Collection Plate Located On The Table In The Back Of The Auditorium So That We May Have A Record Of Your Visit With Us Today. Thank You!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

- Enter To Worship
- Announcements
- Scripture Reading
- Opening Prayer
- 36 – *The Love Of God*
- 101 – *Wonderful Story Of Love*
- 453 – *Savior, They Dying Love*
- Minister's Intercessory Prayer
- 616 – *Love Lifted Me*
- 138 – *In Gethsemane Alone*
- Lord's Supper
- Sermon – See Right Column For Outline
- 336 – *I'll Live For Him*
- Final Announcements
- 57 – *I Love You, My Jesus*
- Offertory & Closing Prayer
- Go In Peace, Departing To Serve In Love

^{8a} **I will instruct you and
teach you in the way you
should go – Psalm 32:8a**

SERMON

WHAT'S REALLY WRONG WITH US?

- *SERMON SCRIPTURES*

Genesis 1:26-27; 3:1-6; Romans 3:10-23;
Romans 5:12; Romans 5:18-19; Ephesians 1:7;
Romans 1:4; Hebrews 7:25; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20;
1 John 1:3-4

- *SERMON OUTLINE*

INTRODUCTION - (1) What Is Man? (2) What Is Our Problem? (3) There Are Answers

I. In The Image Of God

- A. God's Creation
- B. What Does That Mean?
- C. It Was A Perfect World

II. The Image Became Marred

- A. The Thing To Avoid
- B. Sin Entered By Disobedience
- C. Human Effort Is Insufficient

III. The Second Adam

- A. The Sad Plunge
- B. The Last Hope

*CONCLUSION - (1) God's Purpose In Creation
(2) Christ Is The Answer (3) What's Our Response?*

- *INVITATION*



Just One Step

– by F. L. Booth



As I walked down life's road one day,
A mountain rose to block my way.
I couldn't go around, you see,
The pass was narrow – closed to me.

I asked the Lord, How shall I climb?
Just one step, He said, at a time.
How can I scale that awesome height?
Look up, said He, you'll do all right.

I took some steps and it was great,
I'd go right up and celebrate!
Then I looked down and slipped and fell.
Get up, said He, you're doing well.

So once again I started up,
The road is steep and sometimes rough,
But near the top, the way is smooth,
And there I'll find a well-worn groove.

I'll reach the top one day then stand,
Survey the view that's truly grand.
The Lord waits there and all my friends,
My family, too – love never ends.

Now I look up, and I can see
The hand my Lord holds out to me.
So carefully each day I climb,
Just one step I take at a time. **END**

WED NIGHT STUDY

TOPIC – TBA

2026 FELLOWSHIPS*

• MARCH 7 – Saturday –
Picnic On The Grounds

- MAY 31 – Potluck (Ladies' Choice)
- JULY 26 – Potluck (Ladies' Choice)
- SEPTEMBER 27 – Potluck (L.C.)
- NOVEMBER 22 – Thanksgiving Meal
- DECEMBER 27 – New Years "Eve"

* Dates May Be Subtracted Or Other Dates
Added As Our Ladies Decide To Do So.

Steps – by Deborah Ann Belka

Let God direct your steps,
let Him take you to . . .
all the different places
He has planned for you.

For He knows just where,
He would have you to be
and all of His purposes
for you He wants you to see.

Let God direct your steps,
let Him show to you
all the things He's planned
for you to go and do.

For He already knows,
what is for you His will
so take the time to stop
to listen and be still.

Let God direct your steps,
and give to Him you ways
so He may lead and guide you
for the rest of your days!



Father, Please Hear Our Prayer

CURRENT CONCERNS

- May The Will Of GOD, The FATHER Of LOVE, HOPE, COMPASSION, GRACE, MERCY, And RIGHTEOUSNESS Be Done On Earth As It Is In Heaven!
- *People In The U.S.A. And Around The World Who've Been Affected By Natural Disasters*
- Our Local, State & Federal Government Officials, Military, First Responders & Teachers Nourishing & Life-giving Rain
- Coronaviruses, Flues & Other Deadly Sickesses
- Civil Unrest, Racial Strife & Mass Shootings
- War, Unrest & Lack Of Peace In Other Countries
- Additional People/Situations For Which To Pray :

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All Following entries Are By Date Order And Are Alphabetical By Last Name. A Superscripted Number In Brackets, I.E., ^[1], At The End Of An Entry Denotes How Many Weeks The Entry Has Been In The Bulletin.

FEBRUARY 8

- ◊ Baily, Linzi [Ronda's niece] - She was discharged from the hospital and before she commences her oral (rather than IV) chemo for 3 months. She was also scheduled to see another doctor for a second opinion Friday, February 6. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Dygert, Harold [Melanie McMeans' uncle] - Harold (98) passed into eternity recently. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Guzman, Emily [Pat & Tom Woodard's hairdresser for many years] - She passed into eternity recently. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Last Name Unknown, Missy [Pam Flatequal's friend] - She's now under hospice care. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Renninger, Ruane - Praise To GOD! her back surgery on Tuesday, February 4 went well. She expected to be out of the hospital and into a rehab facility by Saturday, February 7. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Smoot, Max [Roger Smoot's cousin] - Praise To GOD! his procedure went well. A muscle that was causing issues with his pacemaker was repaired and he was released the next day, Saturday, January 31. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Strunk, Billy - **Praise To GOD!** his Friday, January 30 heart procedure went well revealing some scarring which can, fortunately, be treated medically so, no stint was required. ^[NEW]
- ◊ Under The Weather - Vierling, Carlene; Watkins, Mitchell ^[NEW]
- ◊ Vierling, Gene - He underwent a CAT-Scan on Wednesday, February 4 and is awaiting results. ^[NEW]

◊ Villereal, Douglas [Melanie McMeans' brother-in-law] - Doug (71) passed into eternity Thursday, February 5. ^[NEW]

FEBRUARY 1

◊ Moved To A More Recent Date

JANUARY 25

◊ Coombs, Derek [Sarah Turner's 16-year-old cousin] - He's had swelling behind his eye and seizures. He's been in the hospital and has had surgery. ^[02]

◊ Moore, Perry [Melanie McMeans' brother] - He was sent home with home health care Monday, January 5, after his time in the hospital due to stroke. He's waiting for PT to begin. He's been trying to use a traditional rollator but with one hand not functioning he's had difficulty controlling the walking aide and has actually fallen a few times. He's going to see about a different rollator. ^[02]

◊ Sparks, Tim [Tom Woodard's son-in-law] - He was scheduled to see a couple of doctors this past week - his cardiologist (no new news as of this printing) and his gastroenterologist where he's been diagnosed with Esophagogastric Junction (EGJ). ^[02]

◊ Watkins, Mitch - He's now been diagnosed with two mid-line hernias which will require surgery to correct. ^[02]

JANUARY 18

◊ Smoot, Deborah - She's been having some bad days with excessive coughing and sinus drainage. ^[03]

JANUARY 11

◊ Bridgewater, Larry [Watkins' brother-in-law] - He's still dealing with the aftermath of the amputation of his left leg at just below the knee. ^[04]

◊ Brown Family (Colton, Abby, Phoenix & Atraes) - Prayers ^[04]

◊ Cashion, Corena - Continued concerns due to her cancer. ^[04]

◊ Sims, Linda [Pam Flatequal's friend] - She is having health issues - low count of red blood cells and pain. Doctors will perform a bone marrow test to help determine cause. ^[04]

◊ Smoot, Bailey [Smoot's granddaughter] - She was headed back to Kono, Hawaii to regroup with her missionary team, then on to South Africa where she will be a team lead this go around. ^[04]

◊ White, Linda [Melanie McMeans' sister] - **Praise To GOD!**, she will not have to have her gall bladder removed and she doesn't have pneumonia as suspected. She has had severe vertigo which doctors suspect is caused by the ear infection. ^[04]

ONGOING CONCERNS

All Ongoing Concern(s) Below Will Remain For 20 Weeks. Removal Can Be Requested Earlier But Concern(s) Will Automatically Be Removed At The 21ST Week. If Someone Is Moved Off This Ongoing List And You Believe They Should Go Back On The Detailed List Above, Please Let Mitch Know.

Alderman, Kelly ^[14]; Alderman, Roy ^[11]; Andrews, Dale ^[15]; Balderrama, Matthew ^[08]; Bradley Family ^[09]; Brown, Diane Family ^[13]; Brown, Jane ^[20]; Burris, Joyce ^[17]; Carter, Emily Family ^[07]; Cashion, Corina ^[15]; Clendenning, Carol ^[21]; Coughran, Brett ^[20]; Duncan, Roberta ^[08]; Fintel, Rick ^[09]; Flatequal Family ^[09]; Flores, Carlos ^[09]; Gabehart, Tom ^[15]; Garay, Mary ^[18]; Gingerella, Ed ^[13]; Gonzalez, Joel ^[13]; Jackson, April ^[20]; Keese, Robert ^[20]; Lassen, Peter ^[14]; Lester, Bob ^[13]; Ashley Family

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[¹⁴]; McMeans, Wendell [¹⁰⁶]; Moore, Jennifer [¹⁰⁵]; Moore, Michael [¹²⁰]; Moore, Sherry [¹⁰⁹]; Mr. Lowe [¹⁰⁹]; Persat, Diana [¹³¹]; Price, Jennifer [¹⁰⁷]; Rasmussen, Linda [¹⁴¹]; Renninger, Ruane's granddaughter-in-law [¹⁰⁷]; Schilling, Gene [¹¹⁵]; Schilling, Ina [¹⁰⁷]; Sisters of Oliver Flores [¹¹⁹]; Smith, Betty [¹¹²]; Smith, Jimmie (JD) [¹¹⁰]; Smoot, Bailey [¹¹⁴]; Smoot, Cody & Emily [¹⁰⁸]; Smoot, Roger [¹¹⁷]; Smoot, Tiffany [¹¹²]; Sparks, Lane & Ashley [¹⁰⁵]; Spicer, Ronda [¹¹³]; Street, Cris [¹¹¹]; Unknown Last Name, Katheryn [¹¹⁶]; Vierling, Gene [¹¹⁷]; Vierling, Scott [¹¹³]; Walker, Tony Family [¹¹³]; Weisel, Michelle [¹⁰⁹]

⁹ A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.

– Proverbs 16:9

Jigsaw - by Fraser McDougal

A life that lies in pieces is a puzzle for the best,
A jigsaw with no picture never was a sterner test,
But there is One who knows the way, Who sees the finished plan,
Repairer of our broken lives and all the ills of Man.

He sees the eyes that pour their tears just like a bitter spring,
He sees their source, the shattered heart that once would laugh and sing,
And piece by painful piece He knows how each one plays its part,
Begins to rearrange towards a perfect work of art.

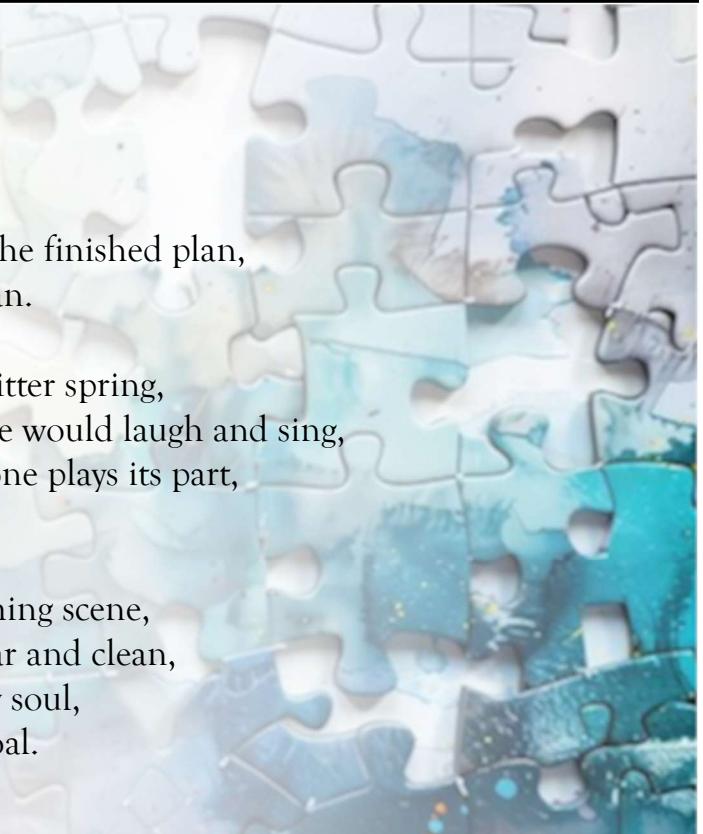
He sees how colors blend and mix to fill the forming scene,
How shapes once imperceptible can be made clear and clean,
And all the while He passionately works for every soul,
Delivering completed lives, rewarded, to their Goal.

SCRIPTURE WORD SEARCH

LUKE 13:23-24

²³ Then one said to Him, “Lord, are there few who are saved?” And He said to them, ²⁴ “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

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ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Jim Gardner	Jan 30	Birthday
Rick Fintel	Feb 16	Birthday
Mitch & Betsy Watkins	Feb 22	Anniversary
Pam Flatequal	Feb 22	Birthday
Cecilia Dzielzanowski	Mar 6	Birthday
Dana Cashion	Mar 11	Birthday
Joyce Burris	Mar 12	Birthday
Mitch Watkins	Mar 12	Birthday
Abby Brown	Mar 23	Birthday



If Your Special Day Is Between Today And March 31st And You Do Not See Your Name(s) Above, Please Let Mitch Watkins Know!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

----- Church Stuff ----- Church Stuff ----- Church Stuff -----		
Generally - 4 th Or 5 th Sun, Every Other Sun	Table Fellowship Potluck Lunch - Approximately Noon To Two	
Every Thursday	Sewing Sisters (ALL Ladies Welcome!) - Meet In The Fellowship Room From Noon To 2 For Fellowship And To Sew/Craft Stuff For The Needy And Elderly	
Sun - Feb 15	In Search Of The Lord's Way - <i>Home Filled With Love</i>	
Sun - Jan 22	In Search Of The Lord's Way - <i>Each Day With God</i>	
Sun - Mar 1	In Search Of The Lord's Way - Things Jesus Will Not Do	see searchtv.org for local time and channel
Sun - Mar 8	In Search Of The Lord's Way - God's Morals Do Not Change	
----- Non-Church Stuff ----- Non-Church Stuff ----- Non-Church Stuff -----		
Every Tue	Lytle Friendship Art Club - Meets In The Fellowship Room At 9:30AM	
Every 3 RD Mon	VFW Auxiliary - Fellowship Room At 6:30PM	
Sun - Feb 8	National ¹ Kite-Flying And ² Boy Scouts/Boy Scout's 116 th Birthday Days & Molasses Bar Day	
Mon - Feb 9	National ¹ Tailgating And ² Pizza Day & Chocolate Day	
Tue - Feb 10	International ¹ Cribbage And ² Epilepsy Days & National Bagel & Lox Day	
Wed - Feb 11	Peppermint Patty Day & National Latte Day	
Thu - Feb 12	Abraham Lincoln's 217 th Birthday & National ¹ Lost Penny And ² Giving Hearts ³ Plum Pudding Days	
Fri - Feb 13	National ¹ Crab Rangoon And ² Cheddar And ³ Tortellini Days	
Sat - Feb 14	Valentine's Day & National Crème-Filled Chocolates Day	
Sun - Feb 15	National ¹ Gum-Drop Day And ² I Want Butterscotch Days	

GOD'S PLAN For Saving Man —

- ◊ **God's Grace** — Ephesians 2:8;
- ◊ **Christ's Blood** — Romans 5:9;
- ◊ **The Spirit's Gospel** — Romans 1:16;
- ◊ **Sinner's Faith** — Acts 16:31;
- ◊ **Sinner's Repentance** — Luke 13:3;
- ◊ **Sinner's Confession** — Romans 10:10;
- ◊ **Sinner's Baptism** — 1 Peter 3:21;
- ◊ **Our Work** — James 2:24;
- ◊ **Our Hope** — Romans 8:24;
- ◊ **Our Endurance** — Revelation 2:10

ARE YOU SAVED BY GOD? ASK HOW IF
YOU'RE UNSURE!

INTERACTIVE

Daily Bible Reading Plan —

To open and/or download the interactive
PDF file go to: video.wvbs.org/spotlight

DAILY Bible Reading For Edification —



OLD & NEW IN 365 —

Daily Readings From Both The Old And New
Testaments

SUN — Day 43 - Lev 14; Mat 26:55-75

MON — Day 44 - Lev 15-17; Mat 27:1-31

TUE — Day 45 - Lev 18-19; Mat 27:32-66

WED — Day 46 - Lev 20-21; Mat 28

THU — Day 47 - Lev 22-23; Mrk 1:1-22

FRI — Day 48 - Lev 24-25; Mrk 1:23-45

SAT — Day 49 - Lev 26-27; Mrk 2

Lev = Leviticus | Mat = Matthew | Mrk = Mark

WANT TO BE

Part Of This Local Family Of Christ Jesus?

To be identified with our Congregation (aka “place membership”): Please fill out a Visitor’s Card, making sure to check the box on front that says, “Wish To Serve In This Congregation.” Please place the completed card in the collection plate on the table in the back of the auditorium.

TOM'S DAILY Bible Reading

Sunday	2/8/2026	Genesis 8
Monday	2/9/2026	Genesis 9
Tuesday	2/10/2026	Genesis 10
Wednesday	2/11/2026	Genesis 11
Thursday	2/12/2026	Genesis 12
Friday	2/13/2026	Genesis 13
Saturday	2/14/2026	Genesis 14

MEMORIZE Scripture —

Scripture Verses

Matthew 7:13-14 — ¹³ “Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. ¹⁴ Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Luke 13:24 — ²⁴ “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

John 14:6 — ⁶ Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Romans 12:2 — ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.