

So, when someone says, "What did you do today?" the answer is never "nothing." We are all engaged with "something" day after day. Learning to be intentional about it is the key to success.

Jesus is remembered by Peter in describing him to the Gentiles as, "a man who went about doing good." While many of his wondrous works are recorded in Scripture, miraculous things that shock us on reading them, it was the compassion, kindness and merciful acts that stagger us. Having the time for children, hearing the pleas of the sick, or being moved to confront death at a passing funeral, these tell us his character.

Life, for Jesus and the disciples, is lived "as they were going." Obviously the end point of the sacrifice, with the crucifixion and resurrection are the focal point, but the time traveling from one location to another, demonstrating God's love and concern, give us a profound message about the character of God.

So, while you stop by the bank, or when you speak to the clerk at the store, or the manner in which you treat the server in the restaurant may seem like "nothing," in reality they write the story of who you are.

*Grace and Peace,
Carl*

Where belonging to God means belonging to each other.

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A Family of God**

October 2, 2016

This was not a special week. In fact, it was a week filled with things to do, but without finishing very much. I worked on sermons for next year, finished up some reading in the Psalms, and met with some folks regarding a spiritual walk with Jesus, but no real "completed project."

Those weeks can be frustrating for me. I like it when I have a final product in front of me, rather than just "shoving the stack" a bit further down the track. The truth is, life is lived in the "stack shoving".

We rear our children, not with the "big events" or major life choices, but with steering, correcting, and encouraging the little things. The reminders to "use respect", to "be kind" or to "remember to say your prayers" are daily, ongoing, and seemingly less than monumental until you realize that you are shaping a life.

We develop our own character in the small life choices made day in and day out. The decision to be honest in a small situation or to take responsibility in a time of frustration pays dividends that are not in the moment. It may be years later or toward the end of a lifetime that such choices reap their rewards.

SUNDAY: Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am
Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am
Worship Service—10:45 am
WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible Study—7:30 pm
Youth Group—7:30 pm (@ Carl's)
ELDERS: Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Loyd Ratts,
Terry Sallee, George Shelton
DEACONS: Jerry Kinnamon, Jon Mansel
TREASURER: Richard Brensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR OCTOBER 2, 2016

SONG LEADER: Richard Brensing
GATHERING SONG: No. 103—He Has Made Me Glad
WELCOME: Tom Turner
SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 105:1-4 (Kolton & Ben)
SONGS: No. 555—Seek Ye First
No. 4—To God Be the Glory
No. 68—Give Thanks
No. 781—Thank You, Lord!
No. 779—I Love You, Lord
PRAYER: Chris Mansel
SONG: No. 359—I Love the Lord
COMMUNION: Jerry Kinnamon
Joe Cornwell
Ned Marks
Fred Johnson
MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril
SONG: No. 864—Where the Gates Swing Outward Never
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)
SONG: No. 922—Jesus Paid It All (vs 1)
PRAYER: Orrin Feril

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WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again! Please stay for our potluck lunch today.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Don Hornbaker—Oct 4

Paige Mansel—Oct 8

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Ben & Baylee Sizemore—Oct 5

AREA-WIDE SINGING

The Pratt Church of Christ is hosting an area-wide singing next Sunday evening, October 9, at 6:00 pm. A soup supper will be served at 7:30 pm. See flyer posted. This is always a great time of fellowship!

FALL FEST

Everyone is invited to Jeff & Lory Scott's farm on Saturday, October 15th, for pumpkin carving, activities, fun and visiting. Please come any time after 2:00 pm—Supper will be served about 5:30 pm. Talk to Lory if you would like to help. Remember to bring a lawn chair.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

The Garden City Church of Christ is hosting a women's event on Saturday, October 15th. Talk to Joy Sallee for more information.

MEN'S RETREAT

October 16-18 at Silver Maple Camp. See flyer posted.

ABUNDANT LIVING MINI-RETREAT

The Eastwood Church of Christ is co-sponsoring a retreat with Abundant Living, an outreach of Church Relations at Harding University, on Saturday, Nov 5th, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. See flyer posted.

MISSING

Two large, shallow stainless steel pans are missing from the kitchen. These are needed for the Monday high school lunches. If you have borrowed these, please return them as soon as possible. See Carl if you have questions.

YOUTH GROUP starts this Wed (6th grade through high school)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Stan Aldrich—recent fall from ladder; health concerns
Rod & Cris Seidel in Pratt (friends of Richard & Shelly) - health concerns
Ty Hewitt (Baylee Sizemore's cousin) - his leukemia has returned and he is to begin a Stem Cell Transplant in Houston the first of October
Laura Wyatt—now on hospice care; send her a card at: Kenwood Plaza, 607 E 1st, St John, KS 67576
Vic & Phyllis Staub (Kenwood Plaza)-health concerns
Glennys Sallabedra (Tom's mother)-recent shoulder surgery
Larry Berg (Tom's friend) - cancer
Landon Neidig (Teddy & Carol's great grandson) - heart procedures in the near future
Jill Mophew (Janet's sister-in-law) - cancer
Gladys Hornbaker—cancer
Alex Garcia (neighbor of Stan & Orvalee) - health concerns
Annie Kent (Lupe Hudson's niece) - cancer
Eldon Ivy (Marilyn's brother)-in hospice care/his wife, Sheryl
David Ivy (Marilyn's brother) and his wife, Kathy
Marilyn Sprawka (Don Rujan's sister) - cancer
Jenny Walker (Carol's sister)
Sharon Goode Ames—lung cancer
Roger Dick—ongoing cancer treatments
Jonathan Batten – cancer
Theo Birkett (Tara's mother)
Jim Soukup (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband])
Bonnie Guthrie (Kay's mother) – now on Hospice Care at Leisure Homestead in Stafford
Myron Brensing (Richard's father) – Leisure Homestead

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jeremiah and Jessie Fiscus welcomed a new baby girl into their family on Friday. Her name is **Lennox Leigh**; she weighed 7 lbs, 6 oz and was 21" long. Proud grandparents are Darrell & Shannon Bauer; great grandparents are George & Shirley Shelton.

