

THOSE TO SERVE

AM Service

Song Leader David Howell
Opening Prayer Benn Keevan

Lord's Supper

Head: Robert Tyree Casey Tomecek
Wayne Herring Joe Gill
Zane rider Gerald Holcomb
Owen Farley Brad Hodges

Speaker

Closing Prayer Ken Forrest
Sound System Ray Reynolds
Casey Tomecek

PM Service

Song Leader David Howell
Opening Prayer Jerome Little
Speaker Ken Forrest
Closing Prayer James Anderson

Van Driver - Carolyn Till North Side
South Side—

Children's Class Leaders - No Class at this time

Wednesday Service

Song Leader for Wed., December 4: Hayden Joiner
Prayer for Wed., December 4: Chase Joiner

Communion This Month: Shane & Erica Miller

365 Days with the Word

1-Dec 1 Corinthians 9-11
2-Dec 1 Corinthians 12-14
3-Dec 1 Corinthians 15-16
4-Dec 2 Corinthians 1-4
5-Dec 2 Corinthians 5-9
6-Dec 2 Corinthians 10-13
7-Dec Acts 20:1-3; Romans 1-3

PRAYER LIST

Members

Terry Lyle and Family
Billy Lambert
Darlene Herring
Daryl Thompson
Dotty West
Eunice Whitaker
Gay Black
Gerald Mancill
Hellen Hendrix
Hilda Vickers
Johnny Vickers
Johny Mancill
*Linda Daugherty
Linda Pledger
Linda Smith
Linda Widder
Mae Smith
Marion Thompson
Misty Long
Natalia Gill
Pat Cieloha
Patty Waters
Paul Kitchens
Phil Scaggs
Ralph & Glynda Jennings

Friends & Family:

* Brian Hall, brother of a Guyana Team Member
* Emily McKnew
* Jean McCallough (Hilda's Sister)
* Linda Marshall (Diane Anderson's Sister)
* Malinda Sanford's Mother
* Nancy Miller
* Tina Hubbard (friend of Tyree's)
* Bob Staley (Anita Forrest's uncle) has cancer.
Aiden Daugherty (Paula Dill)
Alyne Byrd (Sandy Daugherty's Friend)
Anie H Day-Heckermann (Steve Norris's Granddaughter)
Annie Werner (Bertha's Sister)
Benjamin Keevan
Brian Davis (Christina's Brother)
Bruce Whitaker (Roy and Eunice's Son)
Charles and Angie Monarch
Chris Dill (Paula's Son)
Donna Harbin (Sandy's Sister)

Ellie Killian (Glenda Jennings Niece)
Glynda Jennings Son, Gregg
Jan Tyree's Mother
Janelle Davis (Glenda Skogland's Sister)
Jax Nicely (Younce family)
Jennette Gashaw (Joe's Sister)
Jennifer Houston (Louis's Daughter)
Joe Hudson (Gypsy Hall)
John and Kayla Allen (Friends of Tomeceks)
Kathy (Jerome Little's Aunt)
Ken Forrest's Mother
Lynn Hobbs (Bertha Enfinger's Brother)
Marlin Gashaw (Brother-in-Law of Joe and David Gill)
Michael Parker (Friends of Sandy Daugherty's) (Stroke)
Peay Breastfield (Myra Wrights Cousin)
Terry Lyle's Mother
Trisha Davis (Christina's Sister)
Wanda Hopper (Health Issues- Sandy Daugherty's Friend)
Will—Glenda Jennings grandson
Max & Sally Westendorf (Friends of the Little's)
Bendy Boyd (Gypsy Hall's Step Mom)
Emma Gene Thornhill (Iris's Sister)
Mary Younce
Will Blevin's (Brady Long's Friend)
Tammy Crother's Family

Military:

Codie Harbison, Andrew Gill, Tanya Mixson, Bill Miller, Morgan Hendrix, Alex Hartsell, Wayne Kendrix, James Paul Methvin, Dana Kirchharr, Jonathan and Zack Kalinauskas, Chris Rumbley, Jeremy Redding, Stuart Kolkman, Justin Richardson, Austin Ates,
(please send changes for this list to SummerdaleChurchOffice@gmail.com)

* - Cancer

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Times of service:

Sunday: Bible class 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible study
10:00 a.m. And 6:30 p.m.

Elders & Staff

Elders:

Billy Lambert Jerome Little
Ben Coxwell Robert Tyree

Deacons:

Wayne Herring Joe Gill Charles Schwartz
James Anderson Michael Hall Owen Farley
Buddy Waters Tim Rider Benn Keevan

Special Ministry Leaders:

Casey Tomecek David Howell

Preachers:

Ken Forrest - Pulpit Minister
Billy Lambert - Getting to Know Your Bible

Secretaries:

Sandy Daugherty Christina Little Carolyn Till

Services streaming live every Sunday morning!
We are also on YouTube and Facebook

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KEN'S PEN **Winning Over Suffering**

Life brings its sorrow, suffering, and trials (Job 14:1). Yet the stance of the Christian is described beautifully by James: "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience (Jas. 1:2-3). The fact is, whatever sufferings we now have to endure are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us (Rom. 8:18).

There are two questions of life that are real puzzles: (1) Why do bad things happen to good people?, and (2) Why do the wicked prosper? Psalm 73 answers the second question for a man named Asaph who envied the arrogant and their prosperity, only to learn their "latter end." Their riches had wings and flew away, and there was no certain place for the wicked to stand. Asaph found refuge in the Lord and drew council from all of life's experiences.

The question of bad things happening to good people, though, has no easy answer. Why do good people suffer? Perhaps it is because we are children of God. It is not a secret that our Father chastens us (Heb. 12:5). Many of life's sorrows actually teach and empower us (2 Cor. 4:17; Heb. 5:8).

Suffering tends to bring out the best in us. Beethoven wrote incomparable music when he was deaf; Milton wrote many of his outstanding works while he was blind; and Helen Keller was one of the most well informed citizens of her time while both deaf and blind. The church, in similar fashion, seemed to do her best under difficult circumstances (Acts 8:4; cf.Rom. 5:3-4).

In order to win over suffering, we must learn to completely trust in God, knowing that faith in Him will carry us over all barriers (1 John 5:4). When such faith is coupled with thanksgiving, we will be able to change some things...and move beyond what we cannot. If all we can do in the midst of suffering is hang on, then hang on (Phi. 4:13), knowing that ultimately "we are more than conquerors" (Rom. 8:37).

If you would like to drive the van and help pick up those who can not drive please see Michael Hall!!

- ⇒ If you have something that needs to go into the bulletin please have that emailed to me by Thursday at noon. You can email it to summerdalechurchoffice@gmail.com
- ⇒ Brother’s Keeper is the 2nd Sunday of the month
- ⇒ Rock–n–Rollers is the 3rd Thursday of the month
- ⇒ Drivers Request!! Riders please call before the day to pick up for church services so the drivers are not making an unnecessary trip. Thank you!
- ⇒ Tea Time with God’s Word has been cancelled
- ⇒ Young Adult Christmas party—12/15 @ 5:30 in the fellowship building. If you want to participate in “dirty santa” bring a wrapped—\$10-\$15 gift! Food sign up list will be in the young adult classroom or see Christy Gill.
- ⇒ 5th grade and Under Christmas party will be on 12/8 see Jerome Little for details
- ⇒ Teen Christmas Party will be on 12/14 see Jerome Little for details.
- ⇒ Rock –N– Rollers: 12/10 Christmas Party @ 5 p.m. At the Warehouse in Robertsdale Cost \$20.00. See Benn or Diane Keevan
- ⇒ There is a calendar in the hallway in the fellowship hall. Please make sure if you are wanting to schedule an event at the church let Christina know and mark it on the calendar.



Elder of the Month
Jerome Little!!

Teen News!

- Area Wide—December 8th at Azalea City
 - ♦ We need to make sure we sign up for the following if you are going.
 - ♦ EYC—December 27th—30th
 - ♦ GULF—January 18th-20th
 - ♦ CYC—February 28th—March 1st
- See Mr. Little if you have any questions.

- Linda Marshall, Dianne Anderson's sister, is battling cancer.
- Naty Gill suffers from chronic pain related to her sickle cell.
- Casey Tomecek’s grandfather is on dialysis with kidney failure.
- Ken Morgan’s mother, Audrey, has heart related issues, dialysis.
- Linda Smith is sick at home.
- Barbara Williams is homebound, living with Maxine and Roger.
- Bob Staley (Anita Forrest’s uncle) has cancer.
- Dennis Maulding, son-in-law of the Farleys, is not able to eat and is losing weight.
- Jan Tyree’s mother is not well.
- Dottie West has stage 3 cancer. She is taking radiation and chemo treatments.
- Terry Lyle’s mother passed away.
- Linda Widder has stage 3 kidney failure, blood pressure issues.
- Gypsy Hall’s step mom, Bendy Boyd, is very ill.
- Louis Smith’s daughter, Jennifer Houston, is experiencing severe eye problems. She has lost her job and is trying to go on disability.
- Mike Simmons, friend of the Farleys, has stage 3 cancer.
- James Werner, 95, is not well with heart issues, ICU, Margie and Mae’s first cousin.
- Brandon Jones is experiencing some health issues.
- Rosemary Kitchens is being treated for a blood clot in her lung.
- Tisha, Crystal Tomecek's sister, is having a difficult pregnancy.
- Linda Widder and David Howellis having surgery on December 2
- Daniel Johnson (Patrick and Melissa Crumley’s son) is at Shepherd Center in Atlanta. His second brain surgery is scheduled in two weeks. Scheduled discharge is tentatively the end of February.
- Linda Pledger’s sister, Kathy, has a step daughter who has invasive breast cancer.
- Rebekah, daughter of Farleys, had a seizure.
- Brian Hall, the elder at Radford VA, friend of Hazel Rands, had another major cancer surgery this am. Not a good outcome. Dr said nothing more can be done. Said he doesn’t have long to live! His sister Amanda is also recuperating from ovarian cancer surgery!
- Linda Hobbs, neighbor and friend of Holcombs, has cancer and is receiving chemo treatments.
- Tina Hubbard, friend of the Tyrees, has colorectal cancer and is at St. Vincents hospital.
- Helen Candle, Dara’s friend, was taken to Thomas hospital.
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- We will meet on Tuesday night during the week of Thanksgiving for a short devotional in the auditorium followed by a pie supper in the fellowship hall.
- Summerdale YACHT Christmas party will be Sunday night, December 15 after evening services and Junior Leader/L2L. We want to encourage everyone to bring your favorite soup, chili or chowder and a dessert. There will be a signup list in the YACHT classroom. The teens will be babysitting in the teen room. Also, bring a \$10 wrapped gift for Dirty Santa!
- Men’s coffee and prayer on Friday morning, 8:30am, in the fellowship hall.
- We need van drivers.
- Visitors, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the collection plate.
- We are the home of "Getting to Know Your Bible.”

It’s not the minutes spent at the table that put on weight, it’s the seconds.

Winning Over Suffering

Introduction:

1. Life brings its sorrow, suffering, and trials (Job 14:1). Yet the stance of the Christian is described beautifully by James 1:2-3.
2. Whatever sufferings we now have to endure are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us (Rom. 8:18).
3. There are two questions of life that are real puzzlers: (1) Why do bad things happen to good people?, and (2) Why do the wicked prosper? Psalm 73 answers the second question for a man named Asaph who envied the arrogant and their prosperity, only to learn their “latter end.” Their riches had wings and flew away, and there was no certain place for the wicked to stand. Asaph found refuge in the Lord and drew council from all of life’s experiences.
4. The question of bad things happening to good people has no easy answer. Let’s try to carefully review some possible reasons.

Discussion:

I. Why Do Good People Suffer?

II. Why Do Bad Things Happen?

III. How Do We Win Over Suffering?

Conclusion:

1. If all we can do in the midst of suffering is hang on, then hang on! (Phi. 4:13).
2. We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us (Rom. 8:37). We can WIN over suffering!