



VOICE

BETTA VIEW

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April 30, 2017

Today:

*"Purpose #1:
Responding To God's Love"*

**5th Sunday Contribution to the
Building Maintenance Fund**

Tonight:

Youth Led Worship

Lads to Leaders Banquet

(students bring all awards)

Tuesday:

Softball game – 6:30pm – Field A

Contact Elder for April – Bill Brewer 256-225-8835

Order of Worship

Call To Worship

Song # : Heart of Worship

Prayer - Charles Elston

Song Leader: Shaun Stancil

Song #2: We Praise Thee, O God (1,2,3,5)

Song #: How Can I Keep From Singing

Song #359: I Love The Lord (1,2)

Communion & Offering

Song #810: Listen To Our Hearts (1,2)

Song #: All To Us

Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Bailey Livingston

Romans 12:1

Message: John Ross

Song #837: I Need Thee Every Hour (1,2,4)

Announcements

Song #535: The Glory-Land Way (1)

Prayer - Brian Forbus

*Offer Your Bodies As A Living Sacrifice, Holy And Pleasing
To God—This Is Your True And Proper Worship.*

Gratitude



A while back a story hit the papers that made national attention. A humpback whale off the California coast thanked her rescuers for cutting her free from ropes that were threatening her life. Well, maybe she didn't, but it sure looked like she did.

Humpback whales are huge creatures whose complex vocal sounds resemble singing. They are also incredibly acrobatic and can be seen soaring majestically from the water and splash down. On the second Sunday in December 2005, a 45-50' humpback was spotted between the Northern California coast and Baja California. It was entangled in long nylon ropes.

Rescuers said at least a dozen crab traps, each weighing about 90 pounds, were strung together by the ropes. And the female humpback was not only snared in them but being pulled downward by their weight. She was struggling to keep her blow-hole out of the water and was in serious jeopardy.

Four divers spent about an hour cutting the ropes off the whale's tail, left front flipper, and mouth. It was extremely risky for the men in the water. One flip of a humpback's massive tail could easily kill one of them. But she stopped struggling and lay passive in the water as the ropes were cut off her to set her free.

As soon as the ropes fell from the enormous mammal, she began swimming around in circles like a puppy happy to see its owner. She swam to each of the divers in turn, nuzzled them gently, moving from one to other. Then she moved out into the open waters off the coast of San Francisco. Amazing!

When I read the story, it made me wonder about human ingratitude. If gratitude is natural and instinctive to animals in the wild, perhaps human ingratitude is deliberate. It is the suppression of a natural urge. It is a choice to think that I am due any breaks or good fortune that come my way.

All of us have had parents or mentors, friends or teachers, employers or strangers who have helped. Gone above and beyond. Made critical differences.

If a gigantic sea mammal can express gentle thanks, why can't we?

Upcoming Events



- April 30:** Youth Led PM Worship
- April 30:** Lads to Leaders Banquet after PM worship. Meat will be provided. Members bring side dishes, desserts, and drinks.
- May 5-7:** Youth Missions Retreat
- May 7:** Potluck Lunch (**Group 3—Pam Stratton**). Church will provide meat—members bring sides, desserts, and drinks.
- May 14:** Mother's Day—No PM service
- May 16:** GEMS Meeting—10am
- May 21:** Youth Led PM Worship Service
- May 21:** Senior Banquet after PM worship for high school and college graduates
- May 28:** PM worship at Oxford Lake
- May 31:** Singing Night
- May 31:** Open Gym Night



GRADUATING SENIORS



Please email 10 to 12 photos (including a Senior headshot) to bvhsec12@gmail.com no later than May 7th. See Andi Johnston if you have questions.

This Week's Back-Pack Food Items

- Applesauce
- Pudding Cups



Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 4/30—Klaire Yarbrough
- 5/1—Ryan Cobb

Remember in Prayer. .



Our Sick. . .

Kelvin Bradley fell at home and injured his leg. He was immobile for a few weeks but is better. (28 Howle Road, Oxford 36203)

Melba Green has been in the hospital this past week with high blood pressure related issues. (3012 Forest Lane, Oxford 36203)

John David Austin had a heart cath this past Thursday. They were not able to place stents. (103 Lloyd Drive, Anniston 36201)

Irene Wilson will have cancer surgery on May 2nd. (502 Nakoma Drive, Anniston 36206)

Friends & Family. . .

Tammy Watts McBurnett is recovering from surgery this past Friday. Since the bone in her leg would not heal, she had the leg amputated. (89 Wild Acres Lane, Lincoln 35096)

Encourage & Support. . .

John David Austin responded Sunday morning asking for the prayers of the church so that he is certain there is nothing standing in his way between him and our Lord. Please remember John David in your prayers and offer him your support and encouragement in the days to come. (103 Lloyd Drive, Anniston 36201)

Those Privileged to Serve:

April 2017

Song Leaders:

30th – Shaun Stancil

AM: Opening Prayer

30th: Charles Elston

Closing Prayer

Brian Forbus

PM: Opening Prayer

30th: Youth Led Worship Service

Closing Prayer

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding: John David Austin

Assisting: Frank Thomas, David Austin, Jerry Wilson, Eddie Jennings, Calvin Phillips, Duane Stephens, Mike Tims, Jason Webb

Ushers:

Geoff Williams, Ted Haynes, Harold Bean, Charles Elston, Ron Chambless, James Galbreath

Little Lambs:

30th: Shelly Painter & Shelby Stratton

Greeters:

West Entrance: Jerry & Irene Wilson

East Entrance: Harold & Pattie Bean

Main Foyer: Dianne Ross, Frank & Gloria Thomas
Jannie Smith, Cathy Fetner

Security Duty:

30th: Norman Morrison & Kevin Briley

Prepare Communion: Calvin & Dot Phillips

Secure Building: James Galbreath

Youth Activity Host: L2L Banquet

Contact Elder: Bill Brewer

If you are unable to serve please contact **Brian Forbus**
@ 256-831-2471.

**Vacation
Bible
School**

Volunteers Needed!

If you can help in any way, please sign the sheet located in the foyer. Thanks!

SUMMER QUARTER TEACHERS NEEDED



If you can teach for the summer quarter (beginning June 4th) please sign the sheet located in the Children's Classroom Hallway. If you have questions, see Sharon Limbaugh. Thanks!

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Elton Carter
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James Lindsey

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(Youth, Office Administration, Widows Needs)
Forester Tillson
(Worship Sound / Audio)
Jeff Tims
(Public Relations, Lads to Leaders, Phone Tree Announcements)
Tommy Tinney
(Attendance)
Duane Stephens
(Education Director)
Kennedy Stratton
(Finance)

Service Times:

Sunday

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
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Wednesday

Morning Study: 10:00am-11:00am
Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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National Day Of Prayer May 4, 2017

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We Care and We Pray. . .

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