

The Family Circle



Kearney

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Sunday, November 8th, 2009

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Bible Classes 9:30

Bible Classes For All Ages

Morning Worship 10:30

Sermon: *Jay Towell*

Evening Worship 6:00

Sermon: *Jay Towell*

Wednesday 7:00

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! We are so glad that you are with us today. If there is any way that we can be of service to you we would appreciate you letting us know. We hope you can stay around after our services for a few minutes so that we can get to know you, and come back whenever possible.

In Our Prayers This Week

Don Holmes - is having respiratory problems.

Ken Spencer - father of Susan Becker, has started his radiation treatments.

Brenda Clark - still has pneumonia.

Larry Gates - having blood sugar problems.

Soldiers- fighting overseas.

Also please pray for these people; Kami Millspaugh, Murl & Deloris Lahm, Victor Zapata, Beth Crawford, Sandy Whaley, Angie Wiles and Dean Phillips.

YORK COLLEGE CHOIR

The York College Choir will be singing for us next Sunday evening. Be sure to invite your friends to this special event. If you haven't signed up to help provide food for the meal following the performance, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

YOUR IDEAS AND TALENT NEEDED

Do you have a unique talent you are willing to share? Something you want to learn? Melanie is looking for creative ideas for the Talk, Paper, Scissors fellowship night Thursday, November 12th. If you have an idea, please talk to Melanie.

COATS FOR KIDS

Thank you for all your donations. Jay will be contacting the local schools and delivering the coats we have collected next week. We could still use donations of sweatpants and small sizes of socks and underwear.

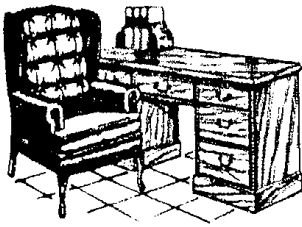
POT LUCK DINNER

Today is our monthly pot luck dinner. Plan to join us following morning services in the fellowship room.

CALENDAR ADDITION

Please add Mary Munsell's birthday to the November calendar. Her birthday is November 12th.

From the Preacher's Desk. .



Power To Change

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything, but they make the most of everything that comes their way, even difficult times and adversity. This is a short story about a carrot, an egg, and a cup of coffee....

A young woman was feeling the stress of life. She didn't know how she was going to make it and wanted to give up - she was tired of fighting and struggling. It seemed as one problem was solved, a new one arose.

Her mother took her into the kitchen. She filled three pots with water and placed them over the fire. Into one pot she placed carrots, in the second she placed eggs, and in the last she placed ground coffee beans. As she listened to her daughter's burdens, the pots boiled.

Finally, she asked her daughter, 'Tell me what you see.'

'Carrots, eggs, and coffee,' she replied.

They talked for a few minutes about how each had been changed by experiencing the hot water. The carrot had gone into the water strong, hard and unyielding. But after a time it softened and became weak. The egg had been fragile. It's thin shell had protected it's liquid interior, but after sitting in the hot water, it became hardened all the way through. The ground coffee beans were unique, however. They, too, had spent time in the hot water. But in the end, they had changed the water.

'Which are you?' she asked her daughter. 'When adversity knocks on your door, how do you respond? Are you the carrot, the egg or the coffee bean? Will you go in seeming to be strong, but with pain and adversity you wilt and become soft and lose your strength?

Do you have a soft and tender heart, and a gentle, fluid spirit, but after a death, a breakup, a financial hardship or some other trial, will you become hardened and stiff? Does your shell look the same, but on the inside you've become bitter and tough and hardened?

Or will you be like the coffee bean? The hot water changes the bean, there is no doubt about that. But in the end, the bean also changes the hot water, the very circumstance that brings the pain. When the water gets hot, it releases it's fragrance and flavor. When things are at their worst, you can get better and change the situation around you. When the hour is the darkest and trials are their greatest you can choose to live at another level.

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes their way. The brightest future begins with a forgotten past; you can't go forward in life until you let go of those failures, wounds and heartaches.

When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so at the end, you're the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying.

Have a blessed week!

Jay

Those Who Are Serving

	<u>Today</u>	<u>November 15th</u>
Announcements	Dennis Edwards	Dennis Edwards
Song Leader	Ken Whaley	Larry Houtz
1 st Prayer	Jerry Munsell	Larry Gates
2 nd Prayer	Don Holmes	Jarrold Allen
Lord's Supper		
Presiding:	Bryan Becker	Bryan Becker
Servant:	Clint Edwards	Clint Edwards
	Bob Holland	Bob Holland
	Billy Clubb	Billy Clubb
Scripture Reading	Doug Houtz	Clayton Edwards
Closing Prayer	Dan Hirschfeld	David Spencer
Song Leader	Jay Towell	Jarrold Allen
1 st Prayer p.m.	Doug Houtz	Sonny Sidlo
2 nd Prayer p.m.	Jarrold Allen	Bill Walker
Closing Prayer	Larry Houtz	Bob Holland
Eve. Communion	Jarrold Allen	Jarrold Allen
Wednesday	<u>November 11th</u>	<u>November 18th</u>
Singing	Allen Crawford	Doug Houtz
Scripture	Chuck Johnson	Scott Helgeson
Treats	Dolores Martin	Bill Walker

ELDERS

Drew Arnold, Dennis Edwards, Dan Hirschfeld,
Ed Lee and David Spencer

MINISTER

Jay Towell

Question of the week: What disciple, watching Jesus' arrest and trial, claimed three times that he didn't know the Lord?

Last week's question and answer: Who was the devout Roman officer who was instructed in a vision to contact Simon Peter?
Cornelius (Acts 10:1-5)