

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church of God Big Sandy

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May 18, 2024 • 1:00 p.m. • Sunset 8:12

Bible studies

Interactive study—1:00 p.m. Daniel Hammons

Presentation study—2:00 Daniel Hammons
(Also transmitted live)

Order of service—3:00 p.m.

Song leader Reg Killingley

Pianist Dixon Cartwright

Scripture reading . . . Matthew 5:13 and Mark 9:49–50

Sermon Neil McIver

Quick takes

1. Pastor's travel—Today, Dave Havar is giving a presentation in Huntsville.
2. Thank you—Big Sandy school representatives thank the congregation for the use of our building for their two banquets this week—the FFA on Tuesday night and the Athletic Department on Thursday night.
3. Thank you—Linda Avey and Michael Bald thank the members of the congregation who helped us host the two school banquets this week. (Although we did not organize the events, our presence helped the functions to operate smoothly.)
4. Board-nomination process continues today—The annual election for the board of the Church of God Big Sandy begins today. (The nomination portion of the process occurs in May, and the election occurs in June.)
5. Wednesday, May 22—Bible study at 7:00 p.m.
6. Day of Pentecost—Sunday, June 16
 - 1:00—Interactive study, Dave Havar
 - 2:00—Presentation study, Dave Havar
 - 3:00—Church service, sermon by Stan West
(Mr. West will also be speaking on the day before Pentecost.)

7. Edifying the Body—This week’s article is “The Blood Libel of Our Time” by Dennis Prager.
8. Among Friends—This week’s article is “The Power of the Resurrection—Part 4” by Dave Havir.
9. Eye on the World—This week’s edition was not completed by the printing deadline of this week’s bulletin.
10. Please remember to pray for the following people who are not able to regularly attend our church service.

■ Mickey Ashcraft	■ Ruth Roe
■ Judy Biggs	■ Ronnie Shirley
■ Angela Dunnam	■ Elaine Townsend
■ Timberly Dunnam	■ Mickey Voyce
■ Annette Payne	■ Donna Weese

Richard Crow escapes tornado in Houston

On Thursday, Richard Crow sent the following message to Dave Havir: “My office building (Wells Fargo Plaza) was badly damaged by a tornado earlier. I left about an hour earlier than I typically do and otherwise probably would have been there at the time. (My office administrator called to make sure I was safe, as she assumed I was still in the building.)”

Mayor commends police officers for saving life

[The following article by Staff was posted at news-journal.com on May 16, 2024.]

Big Sandy Mayor Linda Baggett presented Life Saving awards to Big Sandy Police Chief David Easterling and Officer Kayla Sartor for successfully administering Narcan, a drug designed to reverse the effects of an opioid overdose.

At 3:47 p.m. May 2, Easterling and Sartor—along with deputies from the Upshur County sheriff’s office and firefighters from the Big Sandy Volunteer Fire Department—responded to a report of an unresponsive man at a residence on FM 2911, Baggett wrote in a May 14 news release.

Easterling and Sartor found the man unresponsive, not breathing and in “significant distress” on the floor of his bedroom, Baggett wrote. The officers saw that the man was turning purple, and they administered Narcan. Sartor has provided free Narcan training to 32 first responders in nine nearby agencies, Baggett said.

Easterling and Sartor provided additional care to the man until ambulance crews arrived. The man regained consciousness and was taken to a hospital in Tyler.

“Chief Easterling’s and Officer Sartor’s quick response, recognition of the severity of the medical emergency, immediate actions and effective Narcan administration directly resulted in saving the life of a 19-year-old male,” Baggett wrote. “A failure to act or action after delay could have led to a tragic outcome.”

Scriptures to consider

Psalm 110:1—1 “(A Psalm of David.) The LORD said to my Lord, ‘Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool.’ ”

Acts 2:33-35—“Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he says himself: ‘The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool.” ’ ”

Acts 5:31—“Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.”

Acts 7:55-56—“But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and said, ‘Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!’ ”

Romans 8:34—“Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.”

Colossians 3:1—“If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.”

“The Power of His Resurrection—Part 4”

This article is from the “Among Friends” section of the Church of God Big Sandy’s website (churchofgodbig sandy.com). It was posted for the weekend of May 18, 2024.

By Dave Havir

BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I continued with a series about the resurrection of the Son of God. The study discussed the apostle Paul’s comments about the resurrection—from eight books of the New Testament.

From six books

■ Galatians 1:1—Paul mentioned that he was not an apostle through a man, but through God the Father, who raised the Son of God from the dead.

■ Ephesians 1:20-21—Paul mentioned that the Father raised the Son of God from the dead and seated Him at His right hand—far above all principality, power, might, dominion and every name.

■ Ephesians 1:22-23—Paul continued by saying the Father put all things under the

feet of the Son of God, and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church—which is His body.

■ Philippians 3:10-11—Paul explained that He came to know the Son of God—which included knowing the fellowship of His sufferings, His death and the power of His resurrection.

■ Colossians 2:12—Paul mentioned that he was buried with Christ in baptism and raised with Him by the God who raised Him from the dead.

■ 1 Thessalonians 1:10—Paul mentioned that disciples should wait for the Son of God from heaven, whom the Father raised from the dead.

■ 2 Timothy 2:8—Paul reminded the disciples that the Son of God (the seed of David) was raised from the dead, as Paul had been preaching.

From 1 Corinthians

■ 1 Corinthians 6:14—Paul reminded the disciples that God raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:1-2—Paul declared the gospel to them—which he preached to them; which they received; in which they stood; and by which they were saved.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:3-4—Paul reminded them that the Lord died for us, was buried and rose on the third day.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:5-11—Paul reminded them about how many people saw the Lord after He was resurrected.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:12—Paul asked: “If Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?”

■ 1 Corinthians 15:13—If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:14—And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is empty.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:15—If Christ is not risen, Paul and other teachers were false witnesses.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:16—If the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:17—If Christ is not risen, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:18—If Christ is not risen, those who have died in Christ have perished.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:19—If our hope in Christ is only in this life, we are worse off than unbelievers.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:20—Christ is risen from the dead and has become the firstfruit.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:21-22—Death came by man (Adam) and life came by Christ.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:23—There is an order—Christ and then those who are Christ’s at His resurrection.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:24—The Son of God will put an end to all rule, authority and power.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:25-26—The Son of God must reign until He has put all enemies under His feet, and the last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:27-28—When all things are subject to the Son of God, He will con-

tinue to be subject to the Father—that God may be all in all.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:29-32—If the dead don’t rise, why do we have the challenges?

■ 1 Corinthians 15:33—Evil company corrupts good habits.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:34—Some in Corinth did not have as much knowledge of God as they should have accumulated.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:35-38—How are the dead raised up?

■ 1 Corinthians 15:39-41—All flesh is not the same. There is a difference between celestial bodies and terrestrial bodies.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:42-44—The body is sown in corruption, but raised in incorruption; it is sown in dishonor, raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, but raised in power; and it is sown a natural body, but raised a spiritual body.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:45—The first Adam became a living being, and the last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:46-49—The natural man came first and the second Man is the Lord from heaven.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:50-52—There is a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:53-54—This corruptible must put on incorruption and this mortal must put on immortality—and then is fulfilled the saying: “Death is swallowed up in victory.”

■ 1 Corinthians 15:55—Where is death’s sting and where is Hades’ victory?

■ 1 Corinthians 15:56-57—The sting of death is sin and the strength of sin is the law—but God gives us the victory through our Lord.

■ 1 Corinthians 15:58—Be steadfast, immovable and abounding in the work of the Lord—knowing your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

From 2 Corinthians

■ 2 Corinthians 1:8-10—When we have trouble, we should not trust in ourselves but in God who raises the dead.

■ 2 Corinthians 4:14—We should know that He who raised up the Son of God will also raise us up with Him.