

Proud to Serve in Worship

	February 21, 2021	February 28, 2021
Opening Prayer	Charles Hall	Joe Holloway Sr
Song Leader	Joe Burnsed	Joe Burnsed
Communion	Joe Holloway Sr.	Barry Blackburn
Assist	Mike Reinitz	Wade White
Dismiss Services	Barry Blackburn	Charles Hall

Ellabell Church of Christ

I can do all
Things through
Him Who
strengthens me.
-Philippians 4:13

Announcements

Calendar for February – on the table in the foyer

Super Sunday – next week

Save Food Pantry Items, Cans, peanut butter

Bookmark our Facebook page. And add EllabellChurchofChrist@hotmail.com to your contact list. Brother Paulasksthatyousimplyemailhimanythingyouwant to appear on the Facebook page; pictures, announcements, etc.

CallList–There are forms on the back table if you want to be added to our call list. If you want a call made, call me or text me and I will make the call and schedule it. 912-667-0519

PrayerList–There is a form on the back table to add names to the prayer list.

Worship Services Online–Go to our website and there is a link at the bottom. Join us from anywhere in the world online. Subscribe to our You Tube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5OdoHWTNUba_av5NqR_Vfg

Worship Zoom Meetings – add your email and you will get an email when we have services

<https://www.ellabellchurchhome.org/worshipservicesonline.htm> and

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Speaking Where The Bible
Speaks; Silent Where The Bible
Is Silent

<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/savwi-the-westin-savannah-harbor-golf-resort-and-spa/>

Don't Be Neglectful

If there's one thing about being a daily bible reader it's the fact that sooner or later you'll come across one of

those verses that hits you square in the face. The letter of James is packed full of those kind of verses but one in particular is James 4:17:



"Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin."

(James 4:17, NKJV)

Wow! Now don't that just get your goat! (Pardon the grammar). It's hard enough that I have to fight off temptations and abstain from doing all the bad stuff but now I have to worrying about not doing the good stuff too.

*"Owe no one anything,
except to love each
other, for the one
who loves another has
fulfilled the law."*

—Romans 13:8

In the preceding verse James has warned us not to be too presumptuous in taking tomorrow for granted, life is short and can end in an instant. Thus we must do our best to take advantage of every opportunity that presents itself.

Galatians 6:10 come to mind, *“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.”*

I must admit that there have been many times I’ve let opportunities to do good or help others pass by, chances that will never come again. We all need to be reminded that *“If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, “Depart in peace, be warmed and filled,” but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.”* (James 2:15–17, NKJV).

The keyword to Christian maturity is “ACTION”. Ours is not a religion of leisure but of hard work. “You mean I have to do more than make a nice comment when someone posts their troubles on social media?” “Yep, you do.”

“My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.” (1 John 3:18, NKJV)

Jay Launius

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<http://www.maudchurch.org/>

Smell and Taste

Two symptoms often associated with CO-VID include the loss of smell and the loss of taste. Ever-diligent to check the status of our health, some of us have been routinely checking these senses throughout the

recent holiday season. This might explain the alarming uptick in the figure we read on our bathroom scales!

Taste and smell are closely-related senses—usually standing in agreement with one another. Why do we smell a carton of questionably-dated milk? Because we do not want to spit out a mouthful of sour milk! God’s word frequently uses taste as a figure of speech for experience. David invites us to “taste and see that the Lord is good...” (Ps. 34:8). Peter picks up on this thought, saying, “if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord”, then “long for the pure milk of the word” and “grow in respect to salvation” (1 Pet. 2:2-3).

Taste and smell are spiritual senses awaiting activation in those around us. Because God “always leads us in triumph in Christ”, the resultant blessing is that “the sweet aroma of the knowledge of Him” is manifested “in every place” (2 Cor. 2:14). Thus, we become a “fragrance of Christ” to “those who are being saved” and to “those who are perishing” (vs. 15). While it must be followed up by teaching, a Christian’s example invites others to taste or experience for themselves the benefits of knowing Jesus. Acceptance or rejection of our invitation is dependent upon our fragrance. After all, it is the smell that invites the taste.

–Glen Elliott–

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