

Sunday Morning Order of Worship

Welcome • Call to Worship and Prayer	Bruce Haynes
Worship in Song	David Hale
♪ 650 Send The Light	
♪ 624 Seeking The Lost	
♪ 642 Let The Lower Lights Be Burning	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Edgar Jones
Scripture Reading:	Chris Cherry
• No Gospel Express Today •	
♪ 577 We Bow Down	
♪ 344 Low In The Grave He Lay	
Communion Prayer	Bobby Edwards
Contribution Prayer	Bobby Edwards
♪ 387 Tell Me The Story Of Jesus	
Morning Message:	Percell Duckett
Invitation	
♪ 525 He Knows Just What I Need	
During this invitation song, if you have a need for the prayers of fellow Christians, desire to be baptized into Christ, or to place your membership with the Ross Road Church of Christ, please come to the front.	
Closing Remarks	Percell Duckett
♪ 590 Jesus Is All The World To Me	
Prayer	Percell Duckett

The Word Is Mine In 2009

* Indicates the song selection is in the Paperback Books in the bookracks.
 ** HO indicates a "Handout" of a song that is not in either of our books.
 *** OS indicates that we should follow the words being projected on the screen.

Sunday Evenings Worship @ 6:00 PM

Bill Randolph

If you are unable to attend Ross or are traveling, you can watch & listen online!

We stream our Sunday Services LIVE!
 Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
www.rossroadchurch.org

Last Sunday's Record

Bible Class	42
Morning Worship	111
Sunday Evening	NA

CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

Budget	\$ 4,606.00
Yearly Average to Date	
July 19, 2009	\$ 3,789.13

Welcome Visitors

Welcome to Ross Road! We are so glad that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering tray when it passes. Please stay around a few minutes after worship so that we may meet you. Thank you for the opportunity to share the love of Christ with you - we hope you will be back soon!

Worship Service Schedule

Sunday Services	
8:15 a.m.	Communion Devo
9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
10:10 a.m.	Gospel Express For children ages 4 yrs. to 4th Grade
6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship
Wednesday Services	
10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Class
3:00 p.m.	Afternoon Bible Study
7:00 p.m.	Mid-Week Bible Study

Ross Road on the Web LIVE! Online

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 LIVE! Online @ 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
www.rossroadchurch.org
avcm@rossroadchurch.org

For those who listen to our services LIVE! on the web ... Please let us know you listen by e-mailing us at the address above. If you experience difficulties related to sound or video, or have any other connectivity issues let us know!

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All announcements, prayer requests, and other information for the "Heart to Heart" must be turned in to Raynee Randolph by 12:00 p.m. Thursday, NO EXCEPTIONS!

• Call 901.363.7439 or E-Mail rroffice@rossroadchurch.org •

Mother's Day Out

Phone	901.363.3644
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• Call cell phone for appointments •	

Our Shepherds

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Before & After School Care

Phone	901.859.5203
Hours	Monday - Friday 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

July 26, 2009



• The Road to Heaven •

Ascension
Gerald Jackson

Prayer

I look up but I don't know the right words to say.
 They didn't tell me there was a right way to pray.
 Should I bow my head or bend down low?
 Please tell me Jesus, I just don't know.

Jesus spent a lot of time in prayer to the Heavenly Father. Do you remember the time when the man brought his son to Jesus to cast out the demon because the disciples couldn't do it? When the disciples asked why they were unable to drive out the demon, Jesus said, "Because of the littleness of your faith. . . But this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting" (Matthew 17:20,21). Did you notice that Jesus rebuked the demon on the spot and the demon came out? He didn't have to go and get 'prayed up' as it were. He had already spent sufficient time praying to take care of this problem. Jesus thought it was important that his disciples knew how to pray. One of the disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray as John also taught his disciples" (Luke 11:1). At that moment Jesus began to teach them how to pray. In this prayer Jesus taught the disciples to first give honor to God (Luke 11:2). Then they should ask for their daily provisions. Then there is the recognition to be right with God. They understood that their Heavenly Father is the one who lovingly provides for their physical needs. So Jesus taught them to ask for forgiveness, and keep them away from temptation that would cause them to sin against God. Matthew's account inserts into the narrative of Jesus teaching the disciples to be as forgiving as they are forgiven. And finally, there is an acknowledgement of God's supreme power and authority. Now I suppose, it would be acceptable if you used different words as long as you prayed in the manner that Jesus taught the disciples. I'm sure there isn't a time limit on prayer. What's really important is that we come to the Father giving him the honor he deserves. Let's give God all of the praise that he is worthy of. Do we need to be taught how to pray in this day and time? You betcha.

Lord Jesus, continue to teach us to pray. Holy Spirit please speak the words that we don't know how to say. Father, please continue to answer our prayers.

Grace & Peace! Gerald

In Your Prayers

Pray for Each Other

Continue to Remember

- Kim Alexander
- Helen Brock
- Natalie Cravens
- Freddie Estelle
- Judy Hector
- Joyce Hicks
- Tyrel Jones
- Tonya Kelly
- Monica Martinez
- Julius Melton
- Paul Montgomery
- Pamela Moore
- Willie B. Perry
- Rick Pratt
- Jacqueline Price
- Becca Reed
- Barbara Robbins
- Lewis & Tammy Short
- Mary Ellen Tomlinson
- Willie Mae Ursery
- Agnes Vaughn
- Jason Wilkerson

Underlined Names are Ross Road Members



Our Service Men & Women

- Matt Beaty
- Sam Coblentz
- Colin Saulkner
- Bruce Haynes, Jr.

Current Needs

- **Tuwana Armstrong** asks prayers job guidance and to better her Christian walk.
- **Eileen Davis** as she deals with cancer. She is home now but needs hospital help every 2-3 days.
- **Bernice Powell** was in a car accident, sore but no serious injuries.
- **Jean Schrader's** sister-in-law, **Larry Cole**, has cancer and is receiving platelets every week.
- **Juelene White** asks for prayers for herself and others from local churches as they travel to Branson this week-end.
- **Brenda Wilkerson's** sister, **Linda Straggs**, was in a car accident. She suffered a crushed foot, broken leg and remains in a neck brace. She will be in the hospital for a few days.
- **LaChanda Wright** has been confined to bed for the last part of her pregnancy.
- **Ronnie Young** is out of town with the Harding Track Team. Pray they have a safe trip home.
- **Annie Young's** brother, **Chester**, is receiving chemotherapy.

Kennington Pointe Folks

- We pray that God keeps our Kennington Pointe Family safe and healthy.



Looking Ahead

Mark These Events on Your Calendar

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| July 26 | Worship Committee Meeting |
| July 24 - August 4 | Jackson's Out Of Town |
| July 28 | WEW @ 7 PM |
| August 1 | Bryan & Sarah's Wedding |
| August 2 | School Supply Drive Ends |
| August 9 16 | Picture Days For Directory |
| August 9 | Fair Food Fellowship |
| August 10 | First Day Of School |
| August 15 | SOMA Grand Opening 2-4 PM |
| August 30 | Song Service Ice Cream Social |

Praise & Details

More About the Family & Events

Baby Shower

| Today



The baby shower for LaChanda Wright today has been cancelled. LaChanda has been confined to bedrest as per doctors orders. If you have a gift for the shower, please bring it and leave it in the foyer by the table. We will make sure that Timothy will deliver them to LaChanda.

Worship Committee | IT | AVCM

| Today

All members of the worship committee are asked to attend the **bi-weekly** meeting. The meeting will begin promptly at 5 PM in the Library.

Women Encouraging Women (WEW)

| July 28

This month's WEW lesson is entitled "Freedom In Christ." The scripture reference will be Galatians 5: 13-16 and will be facilitated by Angela Bobo. We will begin **promptly @ 7 PM** in the Library. Come join us. Thanks to all the guys who have been cooking on the nights we have class.

Wedding

| August 1

Bryan & Sarah will be married at White Station Church of Christ at 2 PM

School Supply Drive

| August 2



The Ladies Ministry has acquired a list of the school supplies needed for Ross Elementary. If you would like to participate, please sign the supply list on the bulletin board. Bring your supply articles to the church by August 2. This will be the deadline to collect all of the school supplies. See Debra Edwards for questions.

Fair Food Fellowship

| August 9

If you like the food you get at the Fair, then come and fellowship with us after second service. We will have a varied menu from funnel cakes to corn dogs. There will be a sign-up list on the bulletin board for the delicacies.



Directory Pictures

| August 9,16



To all of you that DO NOT have your picture in the directory, your time has come. New members, kids home from college, etc. please help us make the directory complete without picture-less pages. David, Jennifer and Raynee will be here to encourage your participation.

SOMA Grand Opening

| August 15

The SOMA Christian Student Center at U of M is ready for its Grand Opening. The building has been redone on the inside and repainted on the outside. There will be an ice cream social, barbershop quartet, personalized brick pavers, and a classic car showcase. 3611 Midland Avenue from 2-4 PM.

Words of Wisdom for the Week:

The optimist already sees the scar over the wound; the pessimist sees the wound underneath the scar.

From Our Shepherds

Percell Duckett & Bruce Haynes

Was Jesus A Liberal Or A Conservative?

Almost on a daily basis you can hear debates about and/or among the so called liberals and conservatives. The discussions have gone beyond the limits of democrats, independents, libertarians, and republicans as the prominent political parties to include congregations of the Lord's church. If a congregation makes a decision that is outside of the current understanding or way of thinking by another congregation they can easily be labeled as liberal. Make no mistake about it, this designation of being liberal is meant to tear down, not to build up. That act alone is in opposition to the definition of true conservatism, which embraces the idea of speaking as the bible speaks (Rom 15:1 -2). Sadly enough, these disagreements are usually about issues that the scriptures are silent, on i.e. do we clap or not during service, can the Lord's supper be taken more than one time on Sunday, is it scriptural to use another translation of the bible other than the King James, etc. You can go on and on. It appears that we are constantly looking for a way to define our differences, instead of embracing our similarities. Remember that there is one Lord, one God, one faith, one baptism, and we all shall be in the one hope through the blood of Jesus. The question has arisen, was Jesus a liberal or a conservative? I think we can safely say that when it came to matters of opinion (Rom 14:1, disputable matters), Jesus was very much in favor of individuality as long as it didn't cause a brother to stumble. He was certainly in favor of us caring for each other, just look at Acts 4:32 & James 4:14 -17. By the same token when it came to matters of law, Jesus was a strict conservative. However, he was more concerned about the intent or heart of the matter than He was about some designation of liberal or conservative. At the end of the day Paul asked the question "Who are you to judge someone else's servant?" (Rom 14:4).

The Elders

Ross Road is a place where you can experience God's love, grow in God's family, and serve in God's kingdom • Ross is the place for you!

Children get your special "Children's Bulletin TODAY!"



ALL ABOARD GOD'S CELEBRATION TRAIN!

Bible Hour For Children
ages 4 yrs. old to 4th grade



NOTE TO PARENTS

Please remember to pick up your child after Bible Class and take them to the auditorium with you for worship service.

THERE WILL BE NO GOSPEL EXPRESS TODAY!!