

**24190 Wooley Springs Road - Athens, AL 35613**

**— January 2020 —**

**Schedule of Services**

**Sunday: Wednesday:**

Bible Classes ……..9:30 AM Bible Study ………7:00 PM

Worship…………...10:30 AM

Worship…………….5:00 PM

**Elders**

Jim Ennis 256-771-3544

Jimmy Lannom 256-423-8084

Steve Pressnell 256-232-5354

Toney Vining 256-233-0281

**Deacons**

Van Barksdale Mark Biggerstaff Chris Bowers

Jason Gilliam Joel McMunn Jon Payne

Chad Pressnell

**Ministers**

Matt Taylor: matt.taylor@lcsk12.org

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Remember to tell your friends and family about our radio program, which airs every Sunday morning at 11:30, on WKAC, 1080AM.



Assignments for January 2020

**Third Sunday Preaching:** Chris Bowers

**Third Wednesday Devotional:** Nathan Brackeen

**Communion: Bread:** Angie Walker

**Fruit of the Vine:** Joan Vining

See the back of the bulletin for other assignments



Announcements

**Prayer List Updates**

**Sara Beth Looney** is being treated regarding her heart issues. She is still consulting her doctors for the best procedures.

**Larry Drawbaugh** was admitted into Bradford health facility for health concerns. He will be there for 30 days. He has requested the prayers of the Mt. Zion congregation.

We want to welcome **Matt** & **Leah Taylor** and their family to our Mt. Zion family. Matt will be working with us as one of our ministers.

**Remember these in your daily prayers and ministrations.**

**NEW BEGINNINGS—NEW BLESSINGS**

With each new year there appears to be a new start or a new beginning. Often individuals set New Year resolutions. It’s a time to re-boot our lives. The apostle Paul promoted the idea of not looking back but rather pressing forward. He wrote to the Philippians***—“Not that I have already attained,[***[***a***](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Phil.+3%3A12-13&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-29434a)***] or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. 13Brethren, I do not count myself to have [***[***b***](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Phil.+3%3A12-13&version=NKJV#fen-NKJV-29435b)***]apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,” 14I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”*** (**Phil. 3:12-14**)

It is certainly refreshing to experience *“new”* things in our lives. I’m reminded of the Hebrew writer who gives numerous reminders to his audience of the *“new and better”* things that Christians can rejoice about. These better things are contrasted with the Old Testament Jewish system. He characterized these *“new and better blessings”* in the book of Hebrews:

\*\* Jesus is better than the angels. (**Heb. 1:4)**

**\*\*** We have a better hope today. (**Heb. 7:19)**

**\*\*** Our hope is built on a better covenant. (**Heb. 7:22**

\*\* We have better promises. (**Heb. 8:6**)

\*\* We have better sacrifices. (**Heb. 9:23**)

\*\* We have a better and enduring possession in heaven.

(**Heb. 10:34**)

\*\* We are striving for that better country. (**Heb. 11:6**)

\*\* We have the hope of a better resurrection.

(**Heb. 11:35**)

With all these new and better spiritual blessings waiting the faithful child of God, we can’t help but eagerly await that heavenly home that is there for a Christian! What new things are we committing ourselves to in 2020? Have we included spiritual challenges that are here for us to tackle? Perhaps this is the year that you will read the entire Bible from **Genesis 1:1—Revelation 22:21**. Maybe you will become a Bible class teacher in 2020. Have you thought about ways you can do a better job of visiting the sick and elderly? Will you set a goal of teaching the gospel to at least one of your friends, relatives or acquaintances? We all can meet the challenge of striving harder to ***“keep ourselves unspotted from the world.”*** (**James 1:27**) Let’s make this year, 2020, a banner year at Mt. Zion church of Christ. Everyone of us can do our share to accomplish that goal. --*written by Bob Watson*--

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| **DEC. 29, 2020**  **Song Leader……………..** Jeff Bowers  **Bible Reader……………..** Nathan Brackeen  **Prayer Before Class……** Bob Watson  **Announcements….…….** Chad Pressnell  **Prayer Before Sermo**n…. Michael McMunn  **Officiating at Table……..** Van Barksdale  **Serving Audience………...**Royce Adams  **Closing Prayer…………..** Tim Brooks | **DEC. 29, 2019**  **Song Leader ……………** Pat Kilpatrick  **Bible Reader** **………….** Van Barksdale  **Prayer ……………………** Joel McMunn  **Officiating At Table ……** Jackson Barksdale    **Closing Prayer …………**Chad Pressnell | **JAN, 1, 2020**  **Song Leader…………..** Jimmy Lannom  **Bible Reader…………. J**eff Bowers  **Prayer**…………………... Donald Black  **Invitation………………..** Jim Ennis  **Closing Prayer…………** Toney Vining |
| **Jan. 5,2020**  **Song Leader……………..** Toney Vining  **Bible Reader……………..** Dave Eaves  **Prayer Before Class……** Van Barksdale  **Announcements….…….** Steve Pressnell  **Prayer Before Sermon** Chad Pressnell  **Officiating at Table……..** Toney Vining  **Serving Audience……….** Jim Ennis  Donald Black  Chris Bowers  **Closing Prayer…………..** Pat Kilpatrick | **Jan. 5, 2020**  **Song Leader ……………….** Jim Ennis  **Bible Reader** **………………..** Cory Walker  **Prayer ………………………..** Jimmy Lannom  **Officiating At Table ……….** Joel McMunn  Wade Shannon  **Closing Prayer ……………**  Ted Barnes | **JAN. 8, 2020**  **Song Leader…………..** Jeff Bowers  **Bible Reader………….** Jon Payne  **Prayer…………………...**  Claud Jones  **Invitation………………..** Matt Taylor  **Closing Prayer…………** Jackson Barksdale |
| **JAN. 12, 2020**  **Song Leader……………..** Chris Bowers  **Bible Reader……………..** Joe Bullington  **Prayer Before Class……** Jon Payne  **Announcements….…….** Steve Pressnell  **Prayer Before Sermo**n…. Claude Jones  **Officiating at Table……..** Toney Vining  **Serving Audience……….** Jim Ennis  Donald Black  Chris Bowers  **Closing Prayer…………..** Joel McMunn | **Jan. 12, 2020**  **Song Leader ……………….** Nathan Brackeen  **Bible Reader** **………………..** Joe Bullington  **Prayer ………………………..** DJ McCormick  **Officiating At Table ……….**  Joel McMunn  Wade Shannon  **Closing Prayer ……………**  Matt Taylor | **Jan. 15, 2020**  **Song Leader…………..** Nathan Brackeen  **Bible Reader………….** Donald Black  **Prayer…………………...**  Jim Ennis  **Invitation………………..** Jon Payne  **Closing Prayer…………** Nathan Brackeen |
| **JAN. 19, 2020**  **Song Leader……………..** Pat Kilpatrick  **Bible Reader……………..** Joe Bullington  **Prayer Before Class……** Bob Watson  **Announcements….…….** Steve Pressnell  **Prayer Before Sermo**n**….** Justin Thomas  **Officiating at Table……..** Toney Vining  **Serving Audience……….** Jim Ennis  Donald Black  Chris Bowers  **Closing Prayer…………..** Chad Pressnell | **Jan. 19, 2020**  **Song Leader ……………….** Mark Biggerstaff  **Bible Reader** **………………..**  Royce Adams  **Prayer ………………………..** Dave Eaves  **Officiating At Table ……….**  Joel McMunn  Wade Shannon  **Closing Prayer ……………**  Matt Taylor | **Jan. 22, 2020**  **Song Leader…………..** Chad Pressnell  **Bible Reader………….**  JT Eubanks  **Prayer…………………...**  Brent Pressnell  **Invitation………………..** Dave Eaves  **Closing Prayer…………** Tim Brooks |
| **JAN. 26, 2020**  **Song Leader……………..** Nathan Brackeen  **Bible Reader……………..** Joe Bullington  **Prayer Before Class……** Mark Biggerstaff  **Announcements….…….** Steve Pressnell  **Prayer Before Sermo**n…. Joe Bullington  **Officiating at Table……..** Toney Vining  **Serving Audience……….** Jim Ennis  Donald Black  Chris Bowers  **Closing Prayer…………..** Jeff Bowers | **Jan. 26, 2020**  **Song Leader ……………….** Jeff Bowers  **Bible Reader** **………………..**  Justin Thomas  **Prayer ………………………..** Pat Kilpatrick  **Officiating At Table ……….** Joel McMunn  Wade Shannon  **Closing Prayer ……………**  Bob Watson | **Jan. 29, 2020**  **Song Leader…………..** Justin Thomas  **Bible Reader………….** Jackson Barksdale  **Prayer…………………...**  Van Barksdale  **Invitation………………..** Chad Pressnell  **Closing Prayer…………** Joel McMunn |