



# THE MESSENGER

## MARCH 27, 2022

### NEWS AND NOTES

#### **Congregational Meeting**

April 10

#### **Weekly Bible Studies**

Tuesdays on Zoom, 10  
Friday, 12:30, Fayette Mall  
food court

Saturday, 10, Panera  
(Georgetown)

#### **Times of Service**

##### **Sunday**

Bible study: 9:45 AM  
Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

##### **Wednesday**

Bible study: 7:30 PM  
(Immediately followed by a  
short worship service)

#### **First Friday of Month**

##### **Singing**

March 4, 7:30

#### **Address and Contact**

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### THE HEIR OF ALL THINGS (1:2)

The first thing said about Jesus in establishing his superiority is that God appointed him the heir of all things. What a statement ripe for contemplation! How is it that Jesus is an heir? What is He an heir of? What is meant by all things? Is He not God, and, therefore, all things are His already? I fear questions will far outnumber definitive answers. I believe God's Word is structured so that certain passages and expressions are meant to encourage meditation. Here are some thoughts.

I believe this has to do with the status Jesus has in His relationship to the Father. Jesus is God's Son, the Divine Prophet through whom God speaks in these last days. It is tempting to quickly pass over Jesus as the heir to get to the descriptions that follow, but those descriptions become especially significant because Jesus is God's Son. He is heir because He is the only Son. It is Jesus of whom John was inspired to write *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1-4, 14).* John continued to speak of this Jesus. *"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)* Paul said of him, *Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every*

## **Members    Needing    Our Prayers**

Joyce Bolton, Jacob Litmer,  
Rick Small, Ralph Fox, Benny  
Poynter, Janet Brundig, Karen  
Spivey, Rhonda Boyd, Cindy  
Bradbury, Paul Atkisson

## **Others Needing Prayers**

Allison Walker, Dwight Antle,  
Randy Cates, Larry McTeer,  
Charlene Michael, Ann Little,  
Mary Jean Snyder, Mark  
Nickles, Dale Lyons, Adam  
Fusco, Rachel and Sarah  
White, Duane Harrod, Grace  
Meyer, Meredith Nicholson,  
Alice and Lonnie Anderson,  
Glen Perkins, Ethan Shelton,  
Terry Daniels, Leroy  
Weatherholt, Robert  
Brundige, John Blessing,  
William Roberts, Paul and  
Marrian Lyda, Dana and her  
children, Shane (a relative of  
Cindi), Ron Harmon, Debbie  
Lanphear, Veronica Bowman

## **To Our Guests**

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*tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*  
(Phil. 2:4-11)

God declared, *For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.* (Isaiah 55:8-9). Jesus, possessing all of the glory and majesty, the splendor and radiance, the authority and power of Deity, is uniquely the only begotten Son of God. God has other children, but only by adoption. (Romans 8:1-4). Paul connects our adoption as children of God with the suffering sacrifice of the only begotten Son of God.

We each struggle with certain temptations more than others. What tempts me might not tempt you. I believe such was true of Jesus also. Perhaps for Jesus it was avoiding the cross by becoming the earthly king many desired. Be that as it may, do you think resisting temptation was easier for Him than it is for us? Hebrews 2:18 states that Jesus is able to help us when we are being tempted because He has suffered when tempted. Those temptations which most frequently lead to sin are the very ones which cause the most suffering. Jesus also suffered being tempted, yet did not sin, and we have hope because He did not. Jesus, God's only begotten Son, was the only Son God had to give. What if Jesus had sinned? But He did not, and so we sing: *There is none like Him; None can compare. No god His equal, no prince His heir!*  
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<b>Elders</b>	<b>Deacons</b>	<b>Evangelist</b>
Troy Antle	Richard Brundige	Adam Litmer
David Collins	Adam Daniels	
	Adam Litmer	
	Frank Patton	
	Jamie Powell	
	Pat Seabolt	
	Matt Thompson	
	James Weatherholt	

