Those to Serve

- (B) Calvin Burks
- (FV) Doug Pruett
- (O) Keith Stifflemire
- (A) Jorge Garza

1st prayer Mike Mallett

2nd prayer Judd Wall

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

John 14: 27 KJV

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Quotes & Sayings

- Your silent tents of green
 We deck with fragrant flowers;
 Yours has the suffering been,
 The memory shall be ours.
 Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
- Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and the success of liberty.

John F. Kennedy

Prayer List:

David Jones

Virginia Lovell

Janell Houts Hall

Odell Mallett

Dora Martinez

Mona Lancaster

Willis Hughes

Letha Sheldon

Ruby Jones

Pray for our Nation

Our Troops

Law Enforcement

Rescue Personnel

May 30th

Noon Fellowship

May 31st

Memorial Day

June 6th

Mission Sunday

June 20th

Father's Day

June 27th

Noon Fellowship

Happy Anniversary

June 14th

Will & Autumn Vann

Happy Birthday

Cassidy Stapp June 2nd Jeret Burks June 7th

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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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The Ballad of Fort McHenry

On the evening of September 13, 1814 an American diplomat found himself stuck on a British vessel watching a fierce bombardment of Baltimore's Fort McHenry. The state of affairs looked grim. As he spent the night detained by the enemy, Francis Scott Key looked out across the waters towards the American fort. But with the dawn of a new day the American cause found strength. The flag still waved above the fort. That morning, on the back of a letter he happened to find in his pocket, Key began to compose a poem that would be finalized within a week. He called it "The Defense of Fort McHenry."

Over the space of many years the beloved song would grow in popularity as it was sung in patriotic settings and, in 1862, at a major sporting event. The patriotic tune would also be sung to inaugurate the first World Series game in 1903 (www.pbs.org). Many attempts were made to have it adopted as America's official national anthem, but that would not happen until March 3, 1931 when President Herbert Hoover made "The Star-Spangled Banner" America's song.

For Christians of every generation the familiar words penned by Key have special meaning: "the land of the free and the home of the brave." We are citizens of a heavenly kingdom/nation (Phil. 3:20). As such, our freedom is purchased with the precious blood of Jesus (Acts 20:28). Our spiritual liberty demands courage, the willingness to stand up for, and suffer if necessary for, the cause of Christ. It requires courage to live faithfully in the kingdom of the saved. By David Bragg

<u>Don't Overlook One of "THE" Most Important Words</u>

In the gospel account of John, Jesus is recorded as saying, "I am the..." in reference to Himself in several different ways and occasions. When we read these statements, I wonder if we miss a very important word in them – the word "THE"! "The" is a definite article which indicates only one thing in reference. Thus, when Jesus used the word "the" in the following statements, He meant He was "the one and only" possibility:

When Jesus said, "I am the bread of life" (John 6:35), He was indicating that He is the only source of proper spiritual nourishment.

When Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12), He was revealing that He is the only author of true enlightenment.

When Jesus said, "I am the door" (John 10:9), He was saying that He is the only passageway to heaven.

When Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd" (John 10:11), He was pointing out that He is the only director of the church (the sheepfold) and how she operates.

When Jesus said, "I am the Son of God" (John 10:36), He was saying that He is the only Savior of the human race. When Jesus said, "I am the resurrection" (John 11:25), He was saying that He is the only way to be raised to eternal life after death.

When Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), He was saying that He is the only avenue of access to the Father in heaven.

When Jesus said, "I am the true vine" (John 15:5), He was saying that He is the only means of true spiritual productivity.

These are indeed powerful pronouncements from Jesus Christ. As we read them time and time again, let us be continually reminded of how Jesus is "the" only one who can make "the" difference in our lives. By Edd Sterchi