

Welcome to Community Church
February 11, 2018

Today

8:45 am Music Rehearsal

9:15 am Prayer (Prayer Room)

10 am Worship Service

Message: Pastor David – Matthew 20:17-19

6 pm – Sunday Evening Group

Wednesday

7pm Business Meeting

Women's Study Group

Children and Youth

Thursday

2pm Women's Bible Study

Saturday

5 pm Prayer Meeting

Matthew 20:17-19

Now Jesus was going up to Jerusalem. On the way, he took the Twelve aside and said to them, ¹⁸“We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death ¹⁹and will hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!”

Dates to Remember

February 18 – 6:00pm Concert “The Road Show”

February 21 - 7pm Teachers Meeting

February 23 – Work as Worship Church Retreat

March 10 – 11:30am Ladies outing see Vicki for details

Thank you

Thank you to everyone that participated in our annual Chili and Bake Off! It was a great time of food and fellowship! Congrats to our winners!

Love Brings Obedience

He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him. John 14:21

Obedience to God's commands comes from your heart. When you begin struggling to obey God, that is a clear indication that your heart has shifted away from Him. Some claim: “I love God, but I'm having difficulty obeying Him in certain areas of my life.” That is a spiritual impossibility. If I were to ask you, “Do you love God?” you might easily respond, “Yes!” However, if I were to ask you, “Are you obeying God?” would you answer yes as quickly? Yet I would be asking you the same question! Genuine love for God leads to wholehearted obedience. If you told your spouse that you loved her at certain times but that you struggled to love her at others, your relationship would be in jeopardy. Yet we assume that God is satisfied with occasional love or partial obedience. He is not. Obedience without love is legalism. Obedience for its own sake can be nothing more than perfectionism, which leads to pride. Many conscientious Christians seek to cultivate discipline in their lives to be more obedient to Christ. As helpful as spiritual disciplines can be, they never can replace your love for God. Love is the discipline. God looks beyond your godly habits, beyond your moral lifestyle, and beyond your church involvement and focuses His penetrating gaze upon your heart. Has your worship become empty and routine? Have you lost your motivation to read God's Word? Are you experiencing spiritual lethargy? Is your prayer life reduced to a ritual? These are symptoms of a heart that has shifted away from God. Return to your first love. Love is the greatest motivation for a relationship with God and for serving Him.

Concert

On Sunday February 18th The Roadshow tour is coming to the Charleston Civic Center. Features include **For King and Country, Matthew West, Natalie Grant, Bethel Music, Zach Williams, and Social Club Misfits**. \$10. At the door.