

“...strengthen thy brethren”

Luke 22:32

Fellowship Dinner



~~April 14, 2019~~

April 7, 2019

CHURCH OF CHRIST of Genesee County

March 31, 2019

Schedule of Services

Worship...	Sunday	11:00 a.m.
	Sunday	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study...	Sunday	10:00 a.m.
	Wednesday	6:00 p.m.

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SERMONS

AM: Every Word of God is Pure

PM: To Know Wisdom and Instruction

REQUESTED PRAYERS

P R A Y E R L I S T

Cindy Atkinson—health. (knee)
 Al Haskell - kidney problems.
 Marty Stearns— health.
 Vivian Golwitzer-home now recovering
 Dan Goddard-serious health issues
 Joe Wilkerson-health
 Joan’s brother Hurley and Opal, sister Christena
 Apostolico in Ohio—health problems
 Chere’— Pryia Vannoy (daughter) and Adam Vannoy (son)
 Edith Taylor-Bill’s mother is getting better.
 Katherine Brooks - prayers for her niece and great-niece.
 Cody Cantrell-coma-Bill’s friend.
 Rachel Hall—health problems
 Cindy’s friends-Ireland Family, Wayne Hamilton, Kathy
 and Misty Davis, Jody Rynca-cancer, Marie Hall,
 Mitchell Larson and Walt and Ilene Davenport— health
 Betty requests prayers for Earlene Currier-health-Betty’s
 Aunt, Betty’s daughters: Donna, Carrie, Susan Wills,
 Debra, also, Lauren Weidner-grand-daughter.
 Ted Millwood—Grand Rapids Hospital Spectrum Health
 Bud Gruno—lymphoma

Food closet: Can goods

Ladies Bible Class April 9th and 23rd (10 am)

SUNDAY 3/31/2019

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Michael Golwitzer
Song Leader: Al Haskell
Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer
Lord's Supper: Lead: Todd Penoyer
Assist: Bill Alldaffer, Al Haskell
Preaching: Michael Golwitzer
Closing Prayer: Michael Golwitzer

Bible Class:

Song Lead: Bill Alldaffer
Teacher: Michael Golwitzer
Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer

Evening Worship:

Announcements: Todd Penoyer
Song Leader: Al Haskell
Opening Prayer: Al Haskell
Preaching: Michael Golwitzer
Lord's Supper: Todd Penoyer
Closing Prayer: Todd Penoyer

WEDNESDAY 4/3/2019

Song Leader: Bill Alldaffer
Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer
Bible Teacher: Michael Golwitzer

“How Come Earth Got All the Good Stuff?”

Stuart Clark, of New Scientist magazine, recently asked the question, “How come Earth got all the good stuff?” Of all the planets in our solar system that allegedly formed naturalistically “from the same cloud of gas and dust that surrounded the sun more than 4.5 billion years ago,” why is “Earth...so suitable for life” (Clark, 2008, 199[2675]:29)? Stuart acknowledged: We know that its distance from the sun provides the right amount of heat and light to make the planet habitable, but that alone is not enough. Without the unique mix of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorus and sulphur that makes up living things, and without liquid water on the planet's surface, life as we know it could not have evolved. Chemically speaking, Earth is simply better set up for life than its neighbours. So how come we got all the good stuff? (p. 29).

How did Earth get to be just the right distance from the Sun so that it receives “the right amount of heat and light to make the planet habitable” (emp. added)? How did Earth get such a “unique mix” of all the elements that make up living things? How did

Earth “acquire its life-giving water supply?” (p. 29). Did Earth become the “just-right” planet by happenstance? Clark said that our best hope to find clues about Earth’s origin is from meteorites, since “they formed at the same time as the planets” (p. 29). However, he admitted: “[T]here are subtle differences that are proving tough to explain. For example, the mix of oxygen isotopes in chondritic meteorites does not match those found on Earth. So far no one knows why, but since oxygen is the most abundant element in the Earth’s crust...it is a mystery that cannot be ignored” (p. 29, emp. added). Regarding Earth’s “life-giving water supply,” Clarke suggested that “[t]he most popular explanation is that the water arrived later, in the form of icy comets from the outer solar system that rained down in the period known as the ‘Late Heavy Bombardment.’ As yet, though, there is no firm evidence to confirm this as the source of Earth’s water” (p. 30).

Though atheistic scientists have attempted to answer these and similar questions for many years, still no one has a legitimate naturalistic explanation for what New Scientist calls our planet’s “biggest mysteries” (p. 28). To conclude that Earth received just the right amount of “carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorus, and sulphur” by time, chance, and non-intelligence is irrational. When does time, chance, and non-intelligence

ever produce such wonderful effects? To conclude that the estimated 326 million cubic miles of water on Earth (“How Much Water...?”, 2008) are the result of “icy comets from the outer solar system” raining down on Earth millions of years ago is equally absurd.

The fact is, adequate non-intelligent, random, naturalistic causes for the “just-right” Earth do not exist. The only rational explanation for the precise design of Earth, the cosmos as a whole, and life on Earth is an intelligent supernatural Creator.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork (Psalm 19:1).

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools (Romans 1:20-22).

The fool has said in his heart, “There is no God” (Psalm 14:1). by Eric Lyons, Apologetics Press

REFERENCES

Clark, Stuart (2008), “How Come Earth Got All the Good Stuff?,” New Scientist, 199[2675]: 29-30, September 27.

“How Much Water is on Earth?” (2008), Livenesscience.com, [On-line], URL: http://www.livescience.com/mysteries/070621_1lm_water.html.

God's Plan for Saving Man

God's Grace Ephesians 2:8

Christ's Blood Romans 5:9

The Holy Spirit's Gospel Romans 1:16

Sinner's Faith Acts 16:31

Sinner's Repentance Luke 13:3

Sinner's Confession Romans 10:10

Sinner's Baptism 1 Peter 3:21

Christian's Work James 2:24

Christian's Hope Romans 8:24

Christian's Endurance Revelation 2:10

The first book taken, the last book left . . .

It is said that when the famous missionary, Dr. David Livingstone, started his trek across Africa, he had 73 books in three packs, weighing 180 pounds. After the party had gone 300 miles, Livingstone was obliged to throw away some of the books because of the fatigue of those carrying his baggage. As he continued on his journey his library grew less and less, until he had but one book left—his Bible. Truly, the Bible is the one book humanity cannot do without. One writer said about the Bible, "This Book is the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true, and its decisions are immutable. "Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. "It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's character." "I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word." Psalm 119:16 (HTH)

