Privileged to Serve		
PreacherTom Fair		
Announcements Al St. Clair		
Song LeaderPaul Guy		
Attendance Terry Dyer/Jacob King		
Morning		
Scripture/Opening PrayerRandy Rives		
Lord's Supper		
Presiding		
* Lamar King		
Assisting		
Jacob King * * Charles Dooley		
Dick Vinson * * Al St. Clair		
Closing PrayerRob Warren		
Evening		
Opening PrayerByron Madison		
Lord's Supper		
Jacob King * * Charles Dooley Closing PrayerJack Mears		
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Communion Preparation		
Month of SeptemberLara King		
Month of October Cindy Harper		
Nursery Attendant; Backup		
September 2 Angela Duncan; Lara King		
September 9.Glenda Rives; Brandie Madison		
Wednesday Evening – September 5, 2018		
Prayer/AnnouncementsLamar King		
Song Leader Tom Fair		
DevotionalRandy Rives		

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	186	
Attendance Last Week		
Sunday Bible Class	23	
Sunday Morning Worship	48	
Sunday Evening Worship	*	
Wednesday Bible Study	30	
Contributions & Other Income		
Contribution Last Week	\$1,530.00	
Daily Bible Readers		
August 26, 2018 * = *% of attending		
*Figures Unavailable		

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STAND FAST IN THE FAITH

Introduction: God is searching for followers who will stand fast in their faith. Christians should be willing to follow Him wherever He may lead. Paul said, "*Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong*" (I Corinthians 16:13). How can we do this? Paul gives a few ideas in I Corinthians 15:50-58. Do you consider yourself steadfast and faithful? Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. YOU CAN STAND FAST WHEN YOU KNOW THAT THERE IS A GOD

- + Faith is needed to begin our walk (Genesis 15:6).
- → Faith is needed to plant the right seed (Luke 17:6).
- Faith puts us in a right relationship with God (Romans 5:1).
- Faith is knowing that God is for us (Romans 8:31-39).
- ★ Faith comes from hearing the Word of God (Romans 10:17).
- Faith is part of our unity in Christ (**Ephesians 4:5**).
- + Faith is hope in the unseen things (**Hebrews 11:1**).
- ← Faith accompanies obedience to God (**Hebrews 11:7–12**).
- ← Faith is shining your light in the darkness (Matthew 5:13-16).
- ★ Faith is using your talents to God's glory (Matthew 25:14-30).
- ← Faith is bearing fruit for the kingdom (**John 15:1-8**).
- **→** Faith is needed for salvation (**Romans 3:28, 10:17**).

II. YOU CAN STAND FAST WHEN YOU KNOW THAT GOD IS IN CONTROL III. YOU CAN STAND FAST WHEN YOU KNOW THAT GOD IS WITH YOU IV. YOU CAN STAND FAST WHEN YOU KNOW THAT GOD GAVE YOU GIFTS

Conclusion: As disciples of Jesus Christ we must stand fast. The future of the church depends on our faithfulness. The future of the kingdom, and the stability of believers, depends on our willingness to stand fast in our faith. Will you be dedicated and steadfast? Will you grow in your faith?

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