

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Leadership

Elders Hayward Blanton
 Jerry Casey

Deacons Clint Smith Jr
 Clint Smith Sr
 Robby Stocksdale
 Joe Sweeney

Pulpit Minister Eric Welch
Associate Minister Irvin F. Williams

Mission Work
Panama Mission
 Pablo Sanchez

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 Correspondence Courses, if interested contact us at
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THE WOMAN'S ROLE IN THE CHURCH

One often gets questions about the work of women in the church. Often those questions seem to center on just one area of possible service, participation in the public assemblies of the church. That is patently unfair, since our Christian life and service goes into every aspect of living on this earth. Far too many Christians consider that what we do when we meet together on Sunday morning is all there is to being a Christian. Another misconception that the modern feminist movement seems to have fostered on to our society (and even the church seems to be influenced by this) is that equality demands sameness of function. The Bible clearly teaches that "we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another" (Romans 12:5). Verse four says, "For ... we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function." Then verse six says, "Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly." So then, though we are all equally members of the one body, the church, and each one is needed by all the others, we do not have the same function. Instead, we can each function as God has intended according to the gifts He's given us. Though women are to "remain quiet" (1 Tim. 2:12) as far as leading, or teaching in the assembly, they are to be involved as older women teaching the younger women (Titus 2:3-5), to be active in bringing up their children in the Lord, and in running their homes. That one thing, if done properly, would do more to keep our young people for the Lord than a million sermons. Women can serve the needy, teach the lost the gospel, encourage the disheartened, minister to the sick, pray for and edify the weak and so much more. So why not be busy doing good?

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Those Privileged to Serve

A.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Michael Hawkins
 Opening Prayer Clint Smith Jr
 Scripture Reading Fin Burton
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Lord's Supper Message Irvin Williams
 Table Attendant Nathaniel Welch
 Table Attendant Art Patrick
 Closing Prayer Hayward Blanton

P.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Robby Stocksdale
 Bible Reading Rudy Ayala
 Selection 5
 Opening Prayer Jerry Casey
 Sermon *Singing Emphasis*
 Closing Prayer Ryan Irwin

A.M. & P.M. Services

Announcements Harold Tincher
 Lord's Supper Prayer Rick Martin
 Offering Prayer Doug McArthur
 Usher Marc Owens
 Count Offering Art Patrick
 Assist Count Marc Owens

Sermon Titles

Sunday Morning: An Ordination - Numbers 27:18-23
 Sunday Evening: Singing and Budget Presentation

Last Sunday

Offering: \$3,236 Attendance: 100

The Worker

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I STILL BELIEVE

A church member wrote to the editor of a Christian magazine and said, "In his sermon Sunday, my minister preached that Jesus did not really die on the cross, but He just swooned, fainted, and went into a coma. Then when the soldiers got Him off the cross and into that tomb, the cool air revived Him and He got up and escaped. How do you think I should respond to such teaching?"

The Magazine editor replied, "Dear Church Member, In this modern age of "user friendly" theology, my friends, I make no apology that I STILL BELIEVE in the fundamentals of the Word of God!! I STILL BELIEVE that the miracles of the Bible are true. I STILL BELIEVE "In the Beginning, God!" I STILL BELIEVE that God created the heavens and the earth in six literal 24 hour days. I STILL BELIEVE that Jesus was born of a VIRGIN, that He literally bodily walked the shores of Galilee, that He healed the lame, raised the dead, and caused the blind to see. I STILL BELIEVE that He went to a hill called Golgotha and laid down His life willingly for the sins of man, and yes, I believe that he DIED on that cross. I STILL BELIEVE that in three days He literally, bodily walked out of the tomb before day-break, victorious over death, hell and the grave. I STILL BELIEVE that He ascended back to Heaven and sat down at the Right hand of the Father; I STILL BELIEVE that the same blood that was shed 2,000 years ago on that old rugged cross is still the payment for man's sins today. And I STILL BELIEVE that one day soon He is going too literally, bodily step down from that throne and return to receive His Bride, The Blood-Washed throng of Believers. Yes, my friend, the scoffers and doubters may turn up their noses in disgust at this old-time religion, but I STILL BELIEVE!" "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." Romans 1:16

Author Unknown; via the bulletin for the church of Christ in Augusta, KS

DEAD or ALIVE?

The Bible is a LIVING book, authored by the LIVING God, for the instruction and guidance of the LIVING church. The apostle Paul admonished Christians to present themselves as "LIVING sacrifices" (Romans 2:1,2) to the service of God. Many consider the Bible a dead book! Why? Because they evidently feel that it talks about or to someone else. The applications of truths--instructions and admonitions-- are directed at another rather than applied personally. The obligation to put off worldliness is disregarded on the grounds that we don't want our friends to think that we are "goody-goody." When one disregards the LIVING message from the LIVING book, so far as he is concerned, it is nothing more than a dead letter.

Via Bulletin Gold; written in 1958 by Leonard Hanold

When You Don't Know What to Do

Eric Welch

Jehoshaphat, King of Judah, while not perfect, was a man who feared God. But loving and fearing God does not exempt His people from difficulty. The man knew how to use the sword in battle, but this day was different. In 2 Chronicles 20 Jehoshaphat received a message that Israel's eastern neighbors, the Ammonites, Moabites, and Edomites, were amassed in alliance against him. God had told Israel to bypass these descendants of Lot and Esau as the people made their way toward Canaan. For that reason Jehoshaphat was upset that they would turn on him. He knew that he was no match for them. He assembled the people and declared a time for fasting and prayer to ask God for help. He prayed, "We're outnumbered. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you."

God's answer came through Jahaziel saying, "This battle belongs to the Lord. God will fight for you, but you must trust him and do as He says. The only thing you need to do is take your position tomorrow, stand still, and wait for the Lord."

The next morning Jehoshaphat had the people to meet him. Instead of putting his best soldiers out first, he had his choir to lead the battle. The weaponry of God's choice was a song. I can just hear the scorn from the enemy: "What are you going to do? Sing us to death? Ha! Ha! Ha!"

Then it happened. The choir threw its volley: "Give thanks to the LORD, for his steadfast love endures forever" (21)

The LORD took it from there. As He had done on several occasions, the LORD caused animosity to arise among the enemy; they fought and killed each other. When Jehoshaphat went to the place where they were supposed to die, he saw the field scattered with dead bodies. There was so much loot that it took three days to haul it away. God had taken a threat and turned it into a blessing. Jehoshaphat named the place "The Valley of Blessing."

Jehoshaphat said that he did not know what to do when faced with this enemy. Yet, he did exactly what we all should do. He set his eyes on God, remembered His Word of promise and worshiped God even in the heat of battle. A final word from Jehoshaphat is fitting when we don't know what to do: "Believe in the LORD your God, and you will be established; believe his prophets, and you will succeed" (2 Chronicles 20:20).

READING THE BIBLE

A young lady was once given a book to read. She tried reading it and found it to be quite dull and boring. Later, she fell in love with a young man who was a writer. In a conversation with him, she found out that he was the author of that book. She could then hardly wait to get to her room so that she might read it again. This time she found it to be a very interesting and fascinating book. What was the difference? She knew and loved the author. Some think the Bible is dull and dry. But if they would read it with the idea in mind that this is a book written by their God and Creator, they would find it to be a challenging message. They need to come to love God. When they do, they will find His book to be both interesting and meaningful.

Raymond Kelcy

Hamburg Pike Happenings

The Ladies Bible class will meet Saturday January 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Financial Peace University begins Thursday February 2nd at 7:00 p.m. The class will meet in the auditorium for 9 consecutive Thursday evenings. There is a signup sheet on the table along with instructions for obtaining your Financial Peace kit. Please see Brandon Slotman with additional questions.

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