

Prayer List

Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green, Amanda Hatcher, Gordon Hatcher, Norman Lee, Juan Mandujano, Early Phillips, Andrew Ragle, Chris Ragle, Norma Ragle, Verne Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Tresa Snyder, Sheila Sollars, Joe Stephenson, Ramona Sutton, Kevin (Chela Keever's nephew)

Announcements

- Men's Meeting tomorrow evening at 7PM.
- Gospel Meeting with brother Terry York, preacher and elder with the Northside church of Christ, Calhoun, GA; Sunday, May 20 - Wednesday, May 23. Start making plans to attend and promote this good work.

The Numbers

Attendance	Sunday, March 25	18/18/16
	Wednesday, March 21	13
Offering	Sunday, March 18	\$837.00

Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes Lance Green

Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer Charles Hatcher

Songs David Snyder

Sermon Brad Green

Lord's Supper & Contribution Tommy Sanders

Assistants Levy Cox and Donald Shipley

Closing Prayer Barry Simmons

Sunday Afternoon Worship

First Prayer Barry Simmons

Songs Keith Keever

Sermon Brad Green

Lord's Supper David Snyder

Closing Prayer Charles Hatcher

Wednesday Night

Songs Lance Green

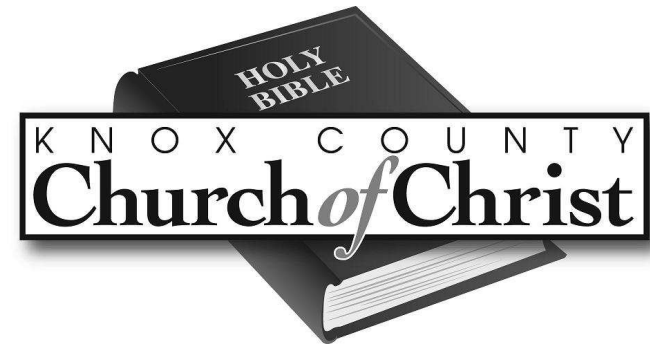
First Prayer Tommy Sanders

Devotional Keith Keever

Closing Prayer Donald Shipley

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Meeting Location:
130 Mabry Hood Road
Suite 102
Knoxville, TN 37922
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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study.....9:30 AM

Worship.....10:30AM & 1:30 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00 PM



From The Preacher's Pen

"MINIMIZING THE SERMON"

[From the July 26, 2009 issue of the *Belvedere Beacon*, a publication of the Belvedere Church of Christ, Belvedere, SC.]

The following exchange originally appeared in *The British Weekly* a few years ago:

Dear Sir:

It seems ministers feel their sermons are very important and spend a great deal of time preparing them. I have been attending church quite regularly for the past thirty years, and I have probably heard 3,000 sermons. To my consternation, I discovered that I cannot remember a single one. I wonder if a minister's time might be more profitably spent on something else?

Sincerely,
(Signed by a reader)

For several weeks a firestorm of responses appeared on the editorial page. The uproar finally came to a close with the following letter:

Dear Sir:

I have been married for thirty years. During that time, I have eaten 32,580 meals, mostly of my wife's cooking. Suddenly, I have discovered that I cannot remember the menu of a single meal. And yet, I have received nourishment from every single one of them. I have the distinct impression that without them, I would have starved to death long ago.

Sincerely,
(Signed by a reader)

THE IMPORTANCE OF A SINGLE SERMON

The Bible teaches that "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God" (Rom. 10:17). Since it is the case that "without faith it is impossible to please [God]" (Heb. 11:6), then it is the case that without hearing God's Word, one cannot please God. Some people believe that once they have heard "enough" sermons, that they really have no more need for them. Just as the doctrine of "once saved; always saved" is false, so is the doctrine of "once heard; always heard." The apostle Paul told the church at Corinth, "brethren, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain" (1 Cor. 15:1-2). Paul told Timothy, "if thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine" (1 Tim. 4:6). To be a "good minister" one must remind brethren of God's Word. To be "nourished" in faith, one must hear "good doctrine." The apostle Peter warns that any Christian who does not have their minds stirred "by way of remembrance" (2 Pet. 3:1), will be vulnerable to the teachings of "scoffers" (2 Pet. 3:3) and false teachers who "with feigned words make merchandise of you" (2 Pet. 2:3).

Let us appreciate every opportunity that we have to hear God's Word preached. Let us make hearing God's Word a top priority and enjoy the blessings and nourishment which it alone can offer. Let us "desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Pet. 2:2).

- Brad Green

The Gospel Plan of Salvation

- HEAR the word of God; the Bible (Romans 10:17)
- BELIEVE the word of God and that Jesus is Lord (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6)
- REPENT of sin (Acts 17:30)
- CONFESS that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Matthew 10:32-33)
- BE BAPTIZED in order to receive remission of sins (Acts 2:38); in order to have past sins washed away (Acts 22:16); in order to get into the body of Christ, the church (Romans 6:3-4; Acts 2:47); in order to be saved (Mark 16:15-16; 1 Peter 3:21)
- LIVE FAITHFULLY in accordance with God's word (1 John 1:6-9; Revelation 2:10)

Our Location

We meet in Suite 102 of Four Seasons Village, at 130 Mabry Hood Road in Knoxville, TN. Coming from Kingston Pike, we are on the right just past Chili's. Come and visit with us!

