

Prayer List

Doris Reyes Fernandez, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green, Amanda Hatcher, Gordon Hatcher, Juan Mandujano, Mary Lynn McAleer, Betty Miller, Bernice & E. Y. Mock, Early Phillips, Chris Ragle, Ronald Russell, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Sheila Sollars, Kevin (Chela Keever's nephew)

The Numbers

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| Attendance | Sunday, March 24 | 16/16/15 |
| | Wednesday, March 27 | 19 |
| Offering | Sunday, March 24 | \$730.00 |

Those Serving

Prayer Before Sunday Classes Tommy Sanders

Sunday Morning Worship

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| Announcements & Prayer | David Snyder |
| Songs | Keith Keever |
| Sermon | Brad Green |
| Lord's Supper & Contribution | Charles Hatcher |
| Assistant | Levy Cox |
| Closing Prayer | Lance Green |

Sunday Afternoon Worship

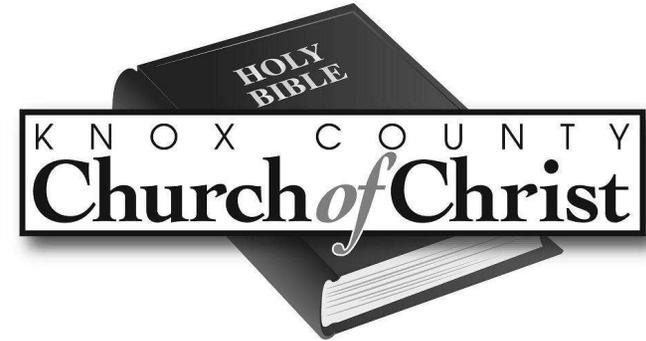
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| First Prayer | Tommy Sanders |
| Songs | <i>Singing</i> |
| Sermon | Brad Green |
| Lord's Supper | Charles Hatcher |
| Closing Prayer | Barry Simmons |

Wednesday Night

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| Songs | Lance Green |
| First Prayer | Keith Keever |
| Devotional | Brad Green |
| Closing Prayer | Barry Simmons |

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March 31, 2013



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Meeting Location:
130 Mabry Hood Road
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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

“WORSHIP OR ENTERTAINMENT?”

[The following article was written by Bob Pritchard, and appeared in the March 11, 2013 Beacon, A Publication of Bellview Church of Christ in Pensacola, FL]

Neil Postman described serious problems in modern culture in his insightful 1985 book, *Amusing Ourselves to Death*. His thesis was that public discourse has been reshaped to such an extent by television and entertainment that thoughtful discourse is missing. “Show business” hype has affected advertising, politics, and religion. Postman’s conclusion is that none of these changes have made for improvement.

In our entertainment-oriented culture, many churches find themselves trying to “out do” themselves with more and more elaborate additions to worship. What began as special music by a choir becomes a full orchestra with professional soloists. A dramatic reading necessitates a full Broadway stage production. And as long as those who come to worship enjoy what is offered, anything goes. The expectation is that sermons will be shorter, wittier, and more uplifting. Anything in worship that cannot be *jazzed up* must be abandoned as boring—and there is nothing worse than being boring, we are led to believe.

The problem with this entertainment orientation is that the very object of worship is forgotten.

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God is the *audience* in worship. Jesus told the Samaritan woman that ignorant worship was unacceptable to God, even though it may have been sincere or enjoyable. “God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24). To worship God in spirit and truth means that worship must be from the heart, not just outward acts, and that it must be done in exact obedience to God’s commands. The worship must be directed to Him, not to the whims of the worshipers. God’s regulations for worship as set out in the New Testament are neither boring nor out-of-date. They are God-centered, while entertainment is man-centered!

Culture relevance is important—thus many churches are implementing modern technology such as projection systems to enhance sermons. And there is nothing wrong with the worshiper enjoying worship. God intended worship to bless His children. But when worship is merely window dressing for an entertainment performance, it cannot please God. The apostle warned, “Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God” (2 John 9). Paul condemned things that “have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship” (Col. 2:23). “Will worship” is that which is fashioned after man’s desires.

-- B. C. Carr

Welcome Visitors

Thank you for visiting with us today. If you have any questions about anything said or done during our worship service, please feel free to ask. Also, please take a moment to fill out one of our visitor’s information cards and stick around after services so that we can get to know you better.

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!



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