

## Prayer List

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Thomy Brewster, Nancy Farley, Doris Reyes Fernandez, Donna Fowler, Marc Genua, Ashleigh Green, Eleanor Green, Mike Grigg, Gordon Hatcher, Dennis Hogan, Juan Mandujano, Mary Lynn McAleer, Larry McCollum, Betty Miller, Bernice and E. Y. Mock, sister Orasco (Peru), Early Phillips, Chris Ragle, Janice Ruffner, Ronald Russell, Barry Simmons, Tim Smith, Dolores Snyder, Sheila Sollars, Jana Ward

- Fairrol Boley (Amanda's aunt) passed away Wednesday due to complications following a quadruple bypass.

## Those Serving

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Prayer Before Sunday Classes Tommy Sanders

### Sunday Morning Worship

Announcements & Prayer Barry Simmons  
Songs David Snyder  
Sermon Brad Green  
Lord's Supper & Contribution Keith Kever  
Assistant Levy Cox  
Closing Prayer Donald Shipley

### Sunday Afternoon Worship

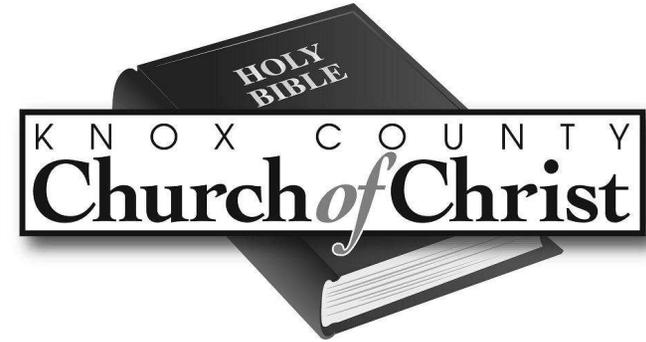
First Prayer David Snyder  
Songs Keith Kever  
Sermon Brad Green  
Lord's Supper Keith Kever  
Closing Prayer Barry Simmons

### Wednesday Night

Songs David Snyder  
First Prayer Barry Simmons  
Devotional Tommy Sanders  
Closing Prayer Donald Shipley

Knox County Church of Christ  
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**October 6, 2013**



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

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### Sunday

Bible Study.....9:30 AM  
Worship.....10:30AM & 1:30 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Study.....7:00 PM



## From The Preacher's Pen

### "WHAT I LOVE ABOUT SUNDAY"

From time-to-time, a country song entitled "That's What I Love About Sunday," can be heard playing on the radio. The basic message of the song is that Sunday is a nice, calm, laid-back day spent with family, a day of relaxation and enjoyment. Though the song is written with a denominational bias, the title of the song is one worth consideration. Sadly, Sunday is loved by many for all the wrong reasons. Some love Sunday because the race is on and others love Sunday simply because it's a day off from work. Sadder yet, those who should know enough about Sunday to express genuine love for the day consider it to be one of a hassle. Ironically, those who love Sunday don't know what they're missing, and many of those who should love Sunday find reasons why they don't.

#### THINGS TO LOVE ABOUT SUNDAY:

**Refuge From The World.** During the week, members of the Church must spend a great deal of time around those who do not believe nor practice New Testament Christianity. Those in the world seek to please self rather than God (c.f., Acts 5:29). It is a time when temptations are ever abundant (1 Cor. 10:13). On Sunday, Christians can gather with others "who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us" (Heb. 6:18). In the Church, a place of safety, we gather with those who "in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Col. 3:17). Being with other Christians is indeed a place of refuge.

**Fellowship.** On Sunday, Christians can enjoy the presence of "them that have obtained like precious faith" (2 Pet. 1:1). It is a time to be with others who "all speak the same thing, and that

there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Cor. 1:10). The fellowship that is shared by all who are faithful "in Christ" (Rom. 6:3-4) is truly a blessing indeed (c.f., Eph. 1:3).

**Nourishing Children.** Parents are commanded to raise their children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4). On Sunday, parents have the opportunity to train their children about God's plan to save and how it relates to worship. Children can be trained that worship is to be authorized by God (John 4:24) and that it is a time that is different from the rest of the week. Sadly, many parents seek a "church" where their children can treat Sunday like any other day of the week – one of play and disregard. Sunday is a time to be honored and respected. Children can be trained to know that Sunday is a special day – the day God chose for man to worship Him – and that they should grow up learning to love Sunday.

**In-Depth Bible Study.** Christians are to study every day (2 Tim. 2:15). On Sunday, however, Christians can gather for a more detailed study and can glean from the knowledge of other Christians as well. A well-prepared teacher has taken the time to dig deep into God's Word in order to share valuable knowledge.

**Gospel Preaching.** Apart from Gospel Meetings and Lectureships, most people do not have the opportunity to hear Gospel preaching on any day other than Sunday. Sadly, many consider the sermon something they must endure on Sunday rather than something to love. In many "churches," Gospel preaching has been replaced with "motivational speeches" and "stories" that make people "feel" good. The same speeches can be heard on any other day of the week at any

number of secular locations by individuals who are not even Christians. Gospel sermons are patterned after the very first (Acts 2) – full of Scripture and intended to "reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine" (2 Tim. 4:2). Gospel sermons are one's that promote God's Word (1 Pet. 4:11). We should love Sunday for Gospel sermons because it is in God's Word that we find salvation (Rom. 1:16-17) and how to remain saved (1 Tim. 4:16).

**Exhortation.** Christians can encourage and exhort one another at any time. On Sunday, however, the exhortation which accompanies assembling with the saints to worship and praise God is unmatched (Heb. 10:25). When we assemble together to worship, we express consideration for "one another to provoke unto love and to good works" (10:24) like at no other time of the week.

There is no better place to be than in the faithful assembly of God's people. There is much to love about Sunday, from a Spiritual and Scriptural perspective. If we will focus our love on these things, we will be a happy and blessed people.

--Brad Green

### **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.