

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 AM
 Sunday AM Worship10:00 AM
 Sunday PM Worship 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Elders

Eugene Cardinal (602) 942-6373
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 (623) 561-5674

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 (602) 439-5953

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Supported Mission Works

Dino Tzanetos;
 Athens, Greece

Josh Austin
 Navajo Reservation, Keyenta, AZ

Terry Laurence
 Navajo Reservation, Ft. Defiance, AZ

Eddison Gruber
 Navajo Reservation, Crownpoint NM

Dave Chamberlin (Instructor)
 Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver

Jesus Gonzalez
 Agua Prieta, Mexico

Alonso Villalobos
 Veracruz Mexico

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Prayer List

- * Lana Houts, Lindas sister has kidney stones.
- * Debbie Woford, Jessica Janeways mother has stomach cancer
- * Bernice Louder has been ill.
- * Pauline Houts has a bladder infection.
- * Matthew Wouters – born with CHARGE syndrome. He is now six and not doing well. He has been in ICU recently.
- * Peggy Dale continues to recover from her appendectomy.
- * Barbara Reinhart is having continued medical problems
- * Bob Farr has continued medical problems
- * Chuck Kolinchak, recovering from knee surgery
- * Kathy Self – Peggy’s sister recovering from surgery.
- * Jim Green’s cancer is no longer in remission, but the doctors are going to try some new medicines, which is good news. A Bone Marrow transplant is still possible.
- * Christy Roscoe has a stress fracture in her knee.
- * Yvette’s aunt had a stroke
- * Brenda Carver – ovarian cancer.
- * Cindy Aaronson, co-worker of Hadleigh’s, is struggling with many difficult trials.
- * Bill Sanders, struggling with cancer treatments.
- * Joann Toles - dealing with severe back pains.
- * Frankie continued health issues
- * James Harper, Frankie’s son is now in Afghanistan.
- * The Carpenter Family,
- * Walt Garrison (Jim Weiers step brother) undergoing treatment for cancer.

Best Wishes This Week

Josie Horwitz
Jim Kistner

Apr 28 (B)
May 01 (B)

THE GUARDIAN

“Guard my soul and deliver me; Do not let me be ashamed, for I take refuge in Thee.” Ps. 25:20

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“What are you looking for?”

Both the hummingbird and the vulture fly over our nation's deserts. All vultures see is rotting meat, because that is what they look for. They thrive on that diet. But hummingbirds ignore the smelly flesh of dead animals. Instead, they look for the colorful blossoms of desert plants. The vultures live on what was. They live on the past. They fill themselves with what is dead and gone. But hummingbirds live on what is. They seek new life. They fill themselves with freshness and life. Each bird finds what it is looking for. We all do. (Steve Goodier, Quote Magazine, in Reader's Digest, May, 1990.)

We live in a world where the children of God and the children of the devil exist side by side, *“By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother.”* (1John 3:10). If I may ask; which are you? The answer to that question depends upon what you are looking for. If you seek righteousness then you are a child of God. If you seek a life of sin then you are a child of the devil. As harsh as this sound - it is fact.

But, here is the good news, unlike like the hummingbird and vulture who have no choice in what they eat, (that is the way God mad them), we do. I can choose to “feed” on the sin of this world or I can choose to taste the sweet nectar of God’s word. As Peter writes, *“Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.”* (1Pet. 2:1-3).

So what are you looking for? If you seek God you will find Him, Matt. 7:7ff. But be assured, if you seek sin, you will find it and its consequences as well. *“Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?”* (Romans 6:16).

James Dale

Welcome to the services of the Church! If you are visiting with us, we appreciate your presence and invite you to stay a few moments after the service so we may have an opportunity to meet you! Please feel free to pick up one of our Visitors Packets in the Foyer.

If You Were To Die Today, Would You Go To Heaven?

If you were to die today do you know for certain, without a doubt, that you would go to heaven and be with the Lord forever? Jesus says, "*But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you*" (Matthew 6:33). Our number one priority in this life **must be** to go to heaven. Nothing is as important as this. We cannot afford to miss Heaven.

Our Lord tells us in Matthew 7:13-14 that only few people will go to Heaven, but the vast majority will be eternally lost in the burning fires of Hell. This is not a pleasant thought. But all of us will make the choice as to where we will spend eternity. The only way, to even grasp how long eternity will be, is to think that after we have been in Heaven or Hell a billion years, eternity will have just begun.

Our soul is the most precious thing we possess. "*For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?*" (Matthew 16:26). Our soul is worth more than the whole world put together. If we lose our soul in Hell, we lose it all.

Jesus wants us to pay attention to what He is trying to tell us. He says in Matthew 13:41-43, "*The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom (the church, that's us) all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear.*" Our Lord is trying to warn us if we will only listen. He has already paid the awful price for our salvation and He doesn't want to see it wasted.

For a child of God, sin in our life will keep us out of Heaven. Because of unrepented sins, our name will be taken out of God's Book of Life. Revelation 22:19 says, "*God shall take away his part from the Book of Life and from the holy city.*" Has your name been taken out of God's Book of Life? If it has then this is a very serious matter. Revelation 20:15, "*And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.*" God wants to forgive us. As a Christian, how do we get our name put back into the Book of Life? "*If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness*" (1 John 1:9). Jesus has promised, "*Be faithful until death and I will give you the crown of Life*" (Revelation 2:10).

If you are not a Christian, how do you get your name into God's Book of Life, so you can be saved and go to Heaven? Our Lord says in Luke 13:3, "*Except you repent you will all likewise perish.*" Jesus also says, "*Whoever confesses Me before men, him I will confess before My Father who is in Heaven*" (Matthew 10:32). Our Lord then tells us, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16). If a person misses Heaven, he will only have himself to blame.

By Ron Boatwright

(1) **Alza Beierschmitt has recently moved.** Please add her new information to your directory. 5138 W Sweetwater Ave. Glendale Az 85304 – (Home) 602-354-3509 (Cell) 602-471-3591

(2) Congratulations to **James Chance.** He will be graduating from college May 1st

(3) If you would be interested in taking over the work of keeping the "**Tract Rack**" stocked please see James Dale.

(4) Please add **Michael, Rebecca, Caleb, Caylie and Chloe Dale** to your directory. Michael and Rebecca had spoken to the elders several months ago about being recognized as part of the Northside congregation. I apologize for not providing their information sooner. *Their contact information is the same as James and Peggy's.*

(5) **Friday's Coffee** will be at Andrea's for April.

(6) **Calling all men of Northside.** If you would like to share a message from God's word, Sunday evenings are available. Please let Josh Casselman know and he will put you on the schedule.

WORTH WATCHING

Search The Scriptures - KAZI Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.
On the Internet "Gospel Broadcasting Network" - www.gbntv.org

Northside Calendar

Visit our online calendar at www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/

Quilting/Crafts: May 2nd - Following morning services (Everyone welcome)

Potluck: April 25th – Evening Finger-food (Everyone welcome)

Ladies Class: May 16th – 5:00 p.m.

Men's Business Meeting: May 16th - 5:00 pm.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: Today - 5:00 p.m.

In Touch, this week: Team 1

CD's are available for both morning and evening sermons. See Josh Casselman for more information. *If you requested CD's please be sure to pick your copies up.*

IF YOU HAVE SMALL CHILDREN, INFANT TO 3 YRS OLD, WE PROVIDE AN ATTENDED NURSERY. WE ALSO HAVE A TRAINING ROOM FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.