

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

Paul Janeway (623) 583-2726
Chuck Kolinchak (602) 938-9429
Allan Davis (602) 439-5953

Evangelist

James Dale (623) 882-6671
nsminister@cox.net

Deacons

Joshua Casselman (Education)
Chad McDonald (Youth)

Others Serving

Jon Lykins (Buildings and Grounds)
Ken Phillips (Worship / Nursing Home)

Evangelistic Outreach

Mailer: House to House/Heart to Heart
Monday Small Group Study
Thursday Prayer Meeting
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God's Gift of Salvation

The Cross: Eph. 1:7,8a

Hear: Romans 10:17

Believe: John 8:24

Repent: Luke 13:1-3

Confess: Matthew 10:32

Be Baptized: Acts 22:16

Live Faithful: 1John 1:6-7

If you have small children, 3 yrs and younger, a nursery is available. We also have a worship training room for children 3 and up.



Prayers

Spiritual/Personal

- * Chad's mother is seeking a better relationship with her sister.
- * Pray for the new souls add to the Lord's church.
- * Pray for the Bible studies taking place.

Health

- * Rick East's cancer has spread; continued treatment in Phoenix.
- * Tom East' bladder cancer is back. Surgery is Oct 27th.
- * Mike Scott will be undergoing Chemo and radiation treatments.
- * Chuck Kolinchak is recovering from knee replacement surgery
- * Peggy Dale in the early stages of her clinical trial for her cancer.
- * Debbie Kludjian, cancer in her groin area and MS.
- * Andy Marchbank's in having medical problems.
- * Paul Olson diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.
- * Jack Smith, evangelist diagnosed with terminal cancer.
- * Rick, Tom's son, has cancer and is not doing well.
- * Donald Moorehead is in need of a kidney transplant.
- * Tim Smith, evangelist in Oklahoma, on dialysis.
- * Mandi Raymond, Pat O'Connors niece, breast cancer.
- * Sarah Gildenmeister has Lupus.

Please provide updates for those you have asked to be on the prayer list. Let James or Ella know of any changes.

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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Worship or Entertainment?

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. 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 worshippers.

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.

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 1:9). Paul condemned things that 'have indeed a show of wisdom in will worship' (Colossians 2:23). 'Will worship' is that worship fashioned after man's desires.

- by Bob Prichard

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 worship so we may have an opportunity to meet you.



Reasoning Together

Do We Remain Silent?

King Ben-Hadad of Syria, went up to fight Samaria. The king gathered his army and besieged the city. He prevented any food from entering the city. A great famine was in the land and food was so scarce that mothers were eating their children! (2 Kings 6:24-29)

Four leprous men were sitting at the entrance of the gate. "...Why are we sitting here until we die? If we say, 'We will enter the city,' the famine is in the city and we shall die there. And if we sit here, we die also. Now therefore, come, let us surrender to the army of the Syrians. If they keep us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall only die." {2 Kings 7:3,4} In other words--what did they have to lose?

However, they received a surprise entering the camp of the Syrians. No one was there! The Lord had caused them to flee in the night, leaving the camp intact. Tents, animals and food was left behind. What did they do? Going from tent to tent, they ate and drank, also taking silver and gold to hide for themselves. What a wonderful turn of events.

Yet, after a period of time the consciences of these men started bothering them. "...We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news, and we remain silent. If we wait until morning light, some punishment will come upon us. Now therefore, come, let us go and tell the king's household." {2 Kings 7:9}

Remember, the city of Samaria was in the midst of a great famine. Now with the Syrians gone, the danger was over. Food and supplies are just outside the gate. Why not share their good fortune with the Samartians? If they delayed, it might have cost them their lives. So they told the king, and the people plundered the tents of the Syrians.

Let us consider some questions: Are your sins forgiven? Do you know the saving gospel of Christ? Do you know Christ died for all men? Passages like *Acts 22:16*, *Romans 1:16*, and *Hebrews 2:9* give us our correct answers.

We know Christ died to give all men the same opportunity for salvation. **WHY DO WE REMAIN SILENT?** If I have the "good news" about Christ, and take no time to share that with others, am I not just like the leprous men of 2 Kings 7?

Brethren, do you tell your friends and neighbors about the Christ? Do you tell your immediate family about His sacrifice on the cross for them? Do we seek for ways of sharing this saving message with others? Could it be we are selfish with this wonderful news? Could it be we are too busy to share the "story of Jesus and His love?" Do we speak or do we remain silent?

--Keith Greer



Special Announcements

1. **SPECIAL COLLECTION:** We are taking up a special collection to provide housing for Mike Scott while he undergoes chemo and radiation treatments here in Phoenix. Please give funds to Allan Davis.
2. **BAPTISMS:** Rick East, Tom's son, was baptized into Christ last Thursday night.
3. **BAPTISM:** Sally Skibicki's information, 350 E. Eva Street, Room 425, Phoenix, AZ 85020
4. **NEED:** Jo Ann Toles is in need of a reliable older 4-door midsize car. 480-861-9551
5. **NORTHSIDE MEN'S RETREAT:** Our retreat will be Sept. 25th – 27th, at the Janeway's cabin.
6. **AREA WIDE SINGING:** Sept. 13th West Bell Road church of Christ, 6:30-7:30. 12580 W. Beardsley Road, Sun City West, 85375, 623-214-3714.
7. **INFORMATION UPDATE:** Vicki Dare has moved. She now resides at 5131 N 40th street, #A114, Phoenix Az. 85018, 623-299-1155

Northside Calendar

SUNDAY

Potluck: Today – Following Morning Services - Everyone is welcome!

Business Meeting: Sept. 21st - 5:00 pm.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: September 28th - 5:00 p.m.

Ladies Class: Sept. 21st – 5:00 p.m.

Quilting Class: Quilting Class October 5th following morning worship. Bring a sack lunch.

In Touch: Team 1

MONDAY

Paradise Valley Community Center: 10:00 a.m. group Bible study. 17402 N 40th St, Phoenix, AZ 85032

Monday Small Group Bible Study: Sept. 15th at Tom & Wanda's, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Northside building

Personal Evangelism Team Meeting: August 28th at 7:00 p.m. Northside Building

SATURDAY

Building Workday: October 4th - 8:00 a.m.

Best Wishes This Week

Lillie Robertson
Paul & Joanne Olson

09/18 (B)
09/20 (A)

Worth Watching

"What Do The Scriptures Say"
KAZT Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.

"Gospel Broadcasting Network"

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