

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
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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
www.northsidechurchofchrist.org
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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

- * Jennifer's step-sister, Jasmin is in a situation that may cause her to lose her job.
- * Please keep Peggy Dale's family in your prayers.
- * The Kevin and Oretha's daughter is having marital problems.
- * Pray for the new souls added to the Lord's church.
- * Pray for the Bible studies taking place.

Health

- * Lou Lewis is in the hospital.
- * Valerie Swanson, Vicki's friend, has stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
- * Tom East had a good report following chemo treatments.
- * Rich Rivers having medical tests done. Possibly Valley Fever.
- * Missy Harford's next doctors appointment is in March.
- * Heather Savey, having heart problems.
- * Julie O'Leary has breast cancer.
- * Jeanner Seigal is home and doing well.
- * Eddie and Margaret McGuiggan are having health problems
- * Mike Scott is undergoing Chemo and radiation treatments.
- * Debbie Kludjian, has MS
- * Paul Olson diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.
- * Jack Smith, evangelist diagnosed with terminal cancer.
- * Donald Moorehead is in need of a kidney transplant.
- * Tim Smith, evangelist in Oklahoma, on dialysis.
- * Sarah Goldenmeister 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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What Is God Telling Me?

What is God telling me with the problems He permits in my life? The problems we face will either defeat us or develop us, depending on how we respond to them. Unfortunately, most people fail to see how God wants to use problems for good in their lives. They react foolishly and resent their problems rather than pausing to consider what benefit they might bring. Here are five ways God wants to use the problems in our lives:

1. God uses problems to **DIRECT** us. Sometimes God must light a fire under us to get us moving. Problems often point us in a new direction and motivate us to change our ways (Proverbs 20:30).

2. God uses problems to **INSPECT** us. People are like tea bags. If you want to know what's inside them, just drop them into hot water! Has God ever tested your faith with a problem? What do problems reveal about you? 'My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience' (James 1:2-3).

3. God uses problems to **CORRECT** us. Some lessons we learn only through pain and failure. It's likely that as a child our parents told us not to touch a hot stove, but we probably learned by being burned. Sometimes we only learn the value of something like health, money, or a relationship by losing it. 'My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes. My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteousness' (Psalms 119:71-72).

4. God uses problems to **PROTECT** us. A problem can be a blessing in disguise if it prevents you from being harmed by something more serious. Last year a friend was fired for refusing to do something unethical that his boss had asked him to do. His unemployment was a problem-but it saved him from being convicted and sent to prison a year later when management's actions were eventually discovered. '... ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good ...' (Genesis 50:20).

5. God uses problems to **PERFECT** us. Problems, when responded to correctly, are character builders. God is far more interested in your character than your comfort. Your relationship to God and your character are the only two things you're going to take with you into eternity. 'And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope' (Romans 5:3-4).

Here's the point: God is at work in our lives-even when you do not recognize it or understand it. However, it is much easier and profitable when you cooperate with Him.

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

The Yoke of Christ

Though the citizens of Galilee had observed Christ performing many mighty works, most of them were not moved to repentance (Matt. 11: 20ff). In spite of that spirit of rebellion, however, the Lord still invited them to: “Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” (Matt. 11: 28-30)

Of special interest in this marvelous invitation is that Master’s affirmation that His yoke is **easy**. The Greek term is chrestos, which in classical Greek denoted that which is "good for its purpose. It carries the idea of that which is “good, pleasant, kindly, easy (to wear).”

When employed in connection with the word “yoke,” it may suggest a yoke that fits well—one that is well adapted to its recipient.

By the use of such terminology, therefore, Christ may well have been suggesting that His religious system was perfectly adapted to fit the basic needs of the human family. Christianity meets those needs.

All humans have certain intrinsic needs. Every human need is wonderfully supplied in that body of truth which Jesus Christ brought to this earth. Some of these are as follows.

Self-esteem:

The biblical revelation gives man a sense of value. Humanity is the offspring of God, created in His image (Acts 17:29; Gen. 1:26). God is the Father of our spirits (Heb. 12:9). The entire creation was made **for man** (Heb. 2:6; cf. Psa. 8:4ff), and one soul is worth more than the whole material world (Matt. 16:26). What a thrilling thought!

A Sense of Purpose:

Man needs to know that there is purpose to his existence if he is to function above the animal level. Shakespeare asked: “What is a man, if his chief good, and market of his time, be but to sleep and feed? A beast—no more.”

Christ came to show that man’s purpose and ultimate happiness is only to be found in serving God (cf., Isa. 43:7; Eccl. 12:13), and Christ is the means to that end (John 14:6).

Responsibility:

No one can be totally happy who is completely dependent upon others. Man has an innate need to have his own responsibility.

What a joy it is, therefore, for the Christian to realize that he has been charged with the ultimate responsibility—that of laboring in the vineyard of the world’s Creator (Matt. 20:1; 21:28).

This is why the child of God can, with a sense of genuine satisfaction, be fulfilled no matter what is the nature of his lawful employment. He knows that really his service is to Christ (Eph. 6:5-8).

Hope:

In the antique world of the Greeks and the Romans, hope was not a throbbing passion. The chorus of Sophocles lamented: “The highest remains, never to be brought to life.”

The Christian’s hope, is grounded in the work of the historical Christ (1 Tim. 1:1). No other religion in all of the world can offer the “hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised” (Tit. 1:2).

Yes, divinely designed Christianity fits all human needs. It is the remedy for man’s ills. It is the fulfillment of his dreams. May we have the wisdom to apply it to our needs.

(adapted - By Wayne Jackson)
Reprint



Special Announcements

1. **SUPPORT:** Northside is considering supporting the Todachine family as they attend the Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver. The elders are seeking the input of the congregation. Information about this work is available for review.
2. **MEMORIAL SERVICE:** There will be a memorial service for Rick Matthews Saturday 7th at 12:00 pm at the Northside building. Please come and celebrate Ricks life. For information contact Sherry Berberich at 623-680-1616.
3. **MOVING:** Barbara Murphy will be needing help moving on Saturday, March 14th at 10am. Most of her things will be going into storage. She will be moving to the Surprise area.
4. **INCORPORATION MEETING:** We will have a short meeting following services this morning. The meeting is in keeping with our required incorporation laws.
5. **AREA WIDE SINGING:** February 14th, 6:30pm, Sun Valley church of Christ, Gilbert Az. 480-924-0699
6. **LADIES DAY:** The Sun Valley church of Christ in Gilbert will be having their ladies day March 21st. The theme this year is, “Safe In The Palm of God’s Hand”.
7. **HEARING DEVICES:** In need of a hearing device for bible class of worship? Please see one of our men in the media room at the back of the auditorium.

Northside Calendar

SUNDAY

Potluck: February 8th – Following morning services. Everyone is welcome.

Business Meeting: February 15th - 5:00 pm.

Elders/Deacons Meeting: February 22nd 5:00 p.m.

Ladies Class: February 15th – 5:00 p.m.

Quilting Class: Quilting Class today following morning worship. Bring a sack lunch.

In Touch: Team 4

MONDAY

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

Monday Small Group Bible Study: Tom and Wanda’s house, 6:30 pm, every Monday

THURSDAY

Prayer Meeting: Every Thursday at 6:30 pm at the Northside building

Personal Evangelism Team Meeting: February 12th at 7:00 p.m. Northside Building

SATURDAY

Building Workday: February 14th - 8:00 a.m.

Best Wishes This Week

Brannon McClellan 02/04 (B)
Chad McDonald 02/05 (B)

Worth Watching

“What Do The Scriptures Say”
KAZT Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.
“Gospel Broadcasting Network”
www.gbntv.org

Please contact Ella Collins with any Email or Directory information - emc2ns@cox.net