

## Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class ..... 9:00 AM  
Sunday AM Worship .....10:00 AM  
Sunday PM Worship ..... 6:00 PM  
Wednesday Bible Class ..... 7:00 PM

### Elders

Paul Janeway (623) 583-2726  
Chuck Kolinchak (602) 938-9429

### Evangelist

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

### Deacons

Joshua Casselman (Education)  
Chad McDonald (Finance)

### 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  
facebook.com/northsidechurchofchristphoenix

### 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

**A WORSHIP training room is available for parents who wish to sit with their children and help them learn the importance of God's worship.**



## Prayers

### Spiritual/Personal

- \* Karmel Scott; prayers for a closer walk with God.
- \* Andrew McWatters; prayers for stronger commitment.
- \* Please keep the Dale family in your prayers.
- \* Vicki Dare has been offered a teaching position.

### Health

- \* Alvin McCarty's health is improving.
- \* Marie Huls health is improving at home.
- \* Melody Dye has papillary thyroid cancer.
- \* Mack Thompson recovering from blood clot in his stomach.
- \* Nancy Sparks is recovering from an injury to her foot.
- \* Courtney Ashley Russell, health has been improving.
- \* Paulette Silverado (Kevin's sister) has colon cancer.
- \* Valerie Swanson, Vicki's friend, has stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
- \* Heather Savey, having heart problems.
- \* Julie O'Leary has breast cancer.
- \* Debbie Kludjian, has MS
- \* Paul Olson diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.
- \* Donald Moorehead is in need of a kidney transplant.
- \* Tim Smith, evangelist in Oklahoma, on dialysis.
- \* Sarah Gilddenmeister 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*

## Northside, church of Christ

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## Big Boys Don't Cry?

(Part 2 of 3)

So we tell little boys when they fall. Then they read in their Bibles that Jesus wept. Does that mean He was a sissie? No. One has to consider the reason for the tears. Are they tears of weakness or strength? Of fear or compassion? Jesus was a man of sorrows, acquainted with grief ([Isaiah 53:3](#)), and He wept on three occasions. Each time He left us the right example.

### Jesus Wept Over Jerusalem ([Luke 19:41-45](#)).

This was the most glorious public moment of Jesus' life. He was ushered into the city with a hero's welcome. Everyone is singing His praises (literally), yet, He breaks down in passionate sobs. Like the Psalmist, rivers of waters ran down His eyes, because they kept not the law ([Psalm 119:53](#), [Psalm 119:136](#), [Psalm 119:158](#); cf. [Jeremiah 13:17](#)). Like Paul, there was great heaviness and continual sorrow in His heart for His kinsmen according to the flesh ([Romans 9:2-3](#)). He had done all He could to get them to believe, yet they persisted in doubt. He had come that they might be enlightened, but they chose darkness ([John 1:11](#)). He wanted for them the abundant life, but they wanted eternal death ([John 10:10](#)). The city He had just entered was on God's hit-list ([Matthew 24:4-34](#)), and Sodom and Gomorra got off easy by comparison ([Matthew 24:21](#)). These voices now shouting, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord ([Matthew 19:38](#)), would soon scream, Crucify him, crucify him, His blood be on us and on our children ([Matthew 27:25](#); [Mark 15:14](#)).

Jesus still weeps for lost cities and souls. He longs for men to mourn over their own sins ([Matthew 5:4](#)), so He won't have to. A legend from the Middle Ages tells of a young woman who was expelled from heaven and told that she would be readmitted only when she brought back the one gift God valued most. She brought back a blood drop from a dying martyr. She collected coins a destitute widow had given the poor. She found a Bible used by a powerful preacher. She returned with dust from the shoes of missionaries who served long years in a distant land. Each time she was turned away. One day she watched a man on horseback come to a fountain where a small boy was playing. Seeing the boy, he was reminded of his own childhood innocence. Then, looking into the fountain, he saw his hardened face. He was overcome by sins, and began to weep penitent tears. She took one of those tears to heaven whereupon the door opened wide<sup>3</sup> ([2 Chronicles 7:14](#); [Isaiah 55:7](#); [Ezekiel 18:21](#); [2 Kings 22:19](#)). The lost die daily unprepared for what awaits them. Many never give the afterlife an afterthought. We must make them think. Jesus let His tears drive Him to Calvary; ours must drive us to tell of Calvary ([Mark 16:15](#)). These are tears of sorrow.

By Allen Webster

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

### Soldiers Of Christ Arise!

A song we often sing in our worship to God is, "Soldiers of Christ, Arise." One verse of this song states, "Stand, then in his great might, with all his strength endued; But take to arm you for the fight, the panoply of God." In singing this great song, I often wondered what the "panoply" of God was since I rarely saw or used that word at any other time.

The word "panoply" comes from the Greek term (panoplia). This word refers to the full equipment of the heavily armed foot-soldier, including both offensive and defensive weapons. Every Roman soldier going into battle would take special care to be thoroughly equipped and prepared, as his life might well depend on it. "Among the Greeks the panoplia was the complete equipment used by heavily armed infantry" (Vine's Expository Dictionary, Pg. 75).

This word is used in the New Testament – not in a physical sense, but in a spiritual sense. Paul exhorted the Ephesians to put on the "whole armor" (panoply) of God (Ephesians 6:11) This would enable them to stand against the the devil's schemes. God's armor provides everything the Christian needs to stand strong in Him and His salvation. From the breastplate of righteousness (Ephesians 6:14), to the sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17), God has provided us the spiritual equipment needed for overcoming the temptations of the devil (Ephesians 6:11, 13) and to be victorious in daily [Christian living](#).

When the Apostle Paul used this term, he wasn't romancing. He had in view the harsh and stern reality of the soldier's life. While it is true that the Christian has peace, love, and joy in Christ, our enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion "seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

As Christians, we are engaged in a war for our souls (2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Ephesians 6:12). We take heart that God has provided everything we need to be victorious in Him. Let us rejoice in the loving care God exercises through his Son, that "his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3). We certainly need to "rejoice" in all the blessings we have in Christ (Ephesians 1:3), but take seriously the constant struggle we face with sin. We can be completely equipped and prepared for Satan's attacks if we take advantage of the provision God offers through Christ (Ephesians 6:10). Stand firm in the "panoply of God" – our soul's salvation depends on it! (1 Thessalonians 5:8-9).  
- Mike Riley



## Special Announcements

1. **LADIES DAY:** Eloy church of Christ will be hosting their Ladies Day June 13<sup>th</sup>. RSVP to [MARYDUARTE81@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:MARYDUARTE81@HOTMAIL.COM) by May 31<sup>st</sup>.
2. **MARRIAGE RETREAT:** Southside church of Christ will host their annual marriage retreat July 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. This years theme is "Keeping The I Do's From Becoming I Don't."
3. **FOOD DRIVE:** Copper Basin Bible Camp is having a food drive to help keep costs down for the summer camp sessions. A list has been placed on the bulletin board.
4. **LADIES DAY:** The Southside Church of Christ in Tucson, will be hosting their Ladies Day on May 30th, 2015.
5. **HEARING IMPAIRED:** 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:** May 24<sup>th</sup> – Evening Finger Food. Everyone is welcome.

**Business Meeting:** Today - 5:00 pm.

**Elders/Deacons Meeting:** May 28<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.

**Ladies Class:** Today – 5:00 p.m.

**Quilting Class:** Quilting Class May 3<sup>rd</sup> following morning worship. Bring a sack lunch.

**In Touch:** Team 3

#### MONDAY

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

**Monday Small Group Bible Study:** 6:30 p.m. – Tom and Wanda East's home.

#### THURSDAY

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

#### SATURDAY

**Building Workday:** June 6<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 a.m.

### Best Wishes

Travis and Linda Stewart	5/13 (A)
Paul (Sonny) and Michelle Janeway	5/17 (A)
Andrea Marchbanks	5/17 (B)

### Worth Watching

**"What Do The Scriptures Say"**  
KAZT Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.  
**"Gospel Broadcasting Network"**  
[www.gbntv.org](http://www.gbntv.org)

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