

Church of Christ

Florence

April 29th 2018

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Schedule of Services

Bible Class	9:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Class	7:00 pm

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FROM THE ELDERS

Due to safety concerns
The church doors will be locked
10 minutes after the beginning of service.
Someone will be stationed in the foyer
to allow admittance to latecomers.

How Could a Loving God Send Me to Hell?

by Tanner Campbell

The very thought of Hell is terrifying. Such a thought is an intense provoker for many to repent of their sins and revere the word of the Lord. However, others think little of Hell. For example, you may have heard someone say something like "how could a loving, kind, and merciful God send me to Hell?" Such people who hold this view must be taught the truth of the matter before it is too late and they find themselves in the very place they once believed they would never experience.

The truth of the matter is found in the word of God, for Jesus Himself said to the Father "*Thy word is truth*" ([John 17:17](#)), we know we can depend on God for a true answer. After all, it was God who created Hell as a place of eternal punishment ([Matthew 25:41](#)), thus He is the only divine source of knowledge about Hell and who will go there. Therefore, in response to the question, "How could a loving God send me to Hell?" God's word shows that God is loving, kind, and merciful, and He does not want to send anyone to Hell. Consider [II Peter 3:9](#), "*The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.*" This scripture clearly outlines God's feelings. He does not desire that anyone go to Hell, instead He wants all to come to repentance of their sins. But the question now arises, what if someone does not repent of their sins?

[Romans 2:1-16](#) should be deeply considered by all who have questions about who will go to Hell and why God would send them. The text explains that God is rich with goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, and that it is these characteristics of God that leads one to repentance ([Romans 2:4](#)). For an example of this, consider [John 3:16](#), "*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*" God is so good and loving to us that He gave us the perfect means by which we can escape Hell. Therefore the problem of people going to Hell does not rest on God, but on man. If you look back at [Romans 2:5](#) it says "*in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath.*" The blame is on the individual with the hardened heart, who is unwilling to repent of their sins and allow God to forgive them at baptism. The fault is their own; because the loving, kind, and merciful God is there to save them from Hell, but they refuse Him.

For those who struggle to see how the LORD is merciful, even when sending someone to Hell, I plead with you to meditate on [Psalm 62:12](#), which says: "*Also to You, O Lord, belongs mercy; For You render to each one according to his work.*" This text shows that God truly is merciful while He either rewards or punishes an individual according to the way they lived their life. And this He will do again when the final Day of Judgment commences: "*For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works*" ([Matthew 16:27](#)).

The Church you read about in the Bible

[Ezekiel 18:29-32](#) perfectly incorporates the truths of our present discussion: "*Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is not fair.' O house of Israel, is it not My ways which are fair, and your ways which are not fair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways says the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions you have committed, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. For why should you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,'says the Lord GOD. Therefore turn and live!*"

"The judgment of God is according to truth" ([Romans 2:2](#)). Let us show our neighbors the truth, so that they do not believe a lie. On the Day of Judgment, God will judge "according to truth" and not according to a lie. The lie is that God will not send a sinner to Hell. The truth is much different, "when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power" ([II Thessalonians 1:7-9](#)).

Share these scriptures with your neighbor before it is too late.

Care Package
For Irene Gabbard
Make her a card or something
to show you're thinking of her.

Gospel Meeting
April 22-25
Speaker Kevin Patterson
Point Pleasant Church of Christ
He will be speaking on Sunday
during class and
both worship services
The other meeting
times are at
7:00 P.M
More info. On the board in the hall

Grant County Church of Christ
"The Important Decision We Ever Make!"
Speaker Dr. Michael Houts, PhD

May 4th 6:30-8:00

May 5th 6:30-8:00

May 6th 9:30am

More info. On the board in the hall

VBS Work
Days
May 5th
(Starts at 10:00 am)
But the
May 19th is
Canceled

Thank You!
Everyone for the cards, letters, flowers, and gifts that were sent to me after my surgery. It was a much more involved surgery than I would have ever anticipated as was the recovery time. Your thoughts and prayers made the difference to me and helped so much with my healing. I have probably at last 4-6 weeks before I can go back to work so if you could continue to pray for me I would appreciate it.
Thank you again for your kindness.
Cathy Camm

Ladies Tea!
May 20th
3:00 PM
More info to come
All Ladies are invited

May shelter
meal sign up
sheet is
hanging up!
Please sign
up and
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Prayer List

Our Elders
Our Nation's Leaders
Our Military Personnel
Our Police, Emergency and Healthcare Personnel
The Churches of Christ around the world
All those traveling
The Emergency Shelter
The Creation Museum and Ark Encounter
Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Collecting For Those In Need

<p>The Emergency Shelter of NKY items needed: (Men's Shelter)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SOCKS • Men's Jeans • Men's Sweatshirts • Men's and Women's Sweatpants • Underwear (New) <p><i>There is a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping at the shelter.</i></p>	<p>Benevolence Pantry items needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canned Goods <li style="padding-left: 20px;">Fruit <li style="padding-left: 20px;">Vegetables <li style="padding-left: 20px;">Meat <li style="padding-left: 20px;">Milk • Pasta • Pasta Sauce • Macaroni & Cheese • Ramen Noodles • Juice Packs • Baby Formula & Food
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Benevolence

We will be helping several families each month with several items. Check out the list hanging in the hall and see what might still need to be donated. Any questions talk to Kenny, Teddi or Lela. Thank you for everything you do!
 Matthew 20:28


All Items are due at the end of the month

Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday Nights
7:00-8:00

We are studying Exodus

For more information
Please see Teddi Budy



To ensure accuracy of announcements and prayer requests please fill out a gold or blue form and turn in to the office by Wednesday.

Prayer List

Caleb Robbins keep him in your prayers he is home from the hospital.

Lillie Flemings Carolyn Thomas mother is very weak and sick she has lost 40 pounds in the last 6 weeks. Please keep Lillie and her family in your prayers while the doctors figure out what is going on.

Logan Cooper Alice Sowders grandson's colitis is back please keep him in your prayers.

Margie Koon Continue praying for her and her family. Heading to Nashville for Treatment.

Camden Caudill friend of the Robbins has come Health concerns his Tourette's are getting worse and they are struggling to find the right medicine. Keep him in your prayers.

Daulton Dixon friend of Art Green has to have knee replacement surgery he is only 16 years old.

Brooks Dobson 4 year old cousin of Carl Power was diagnosed with a brain tumor prayers for him and the family He will be having radiation for 8 weeks.

Robin Dunaway Missionary work in Singapore, Shri Lanka and India.

Doug Campbell had heart surgery everything went well.

Cathy Cann Keep praying for her continued healing.

Those with cancer and their families

Randy Williams	Mark Black	Margie Koons
Jeanette Misner	Desirae Wilson	Janice Gallagher
Kristen Shaw	Dwight Lowery	Kay Shinck
Donna Farrar	Layla Adkins	Jim McCarthy
Lorraine Starr	Ayden Egan	Donnice Palmer
Tammy Palmer	Peggy Davis	
Ashley Pike	Gwen Miller	Mrs. Zeph
Mike Lowe	Chad Fischer	Debbie Hellman
Brooke Justice	Mike Lowe	Nancy Lambert
Will Rogers	Brooke Justice	Gladys Beach
Lula Creech	Will Rogers	December Vosquez

Our shut-ins and those caring for them

Joyce Tingle

Eveline Lanham

Bob Hamon

Dessie Hacker

"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer" 1 Peter 3:12

Serving in AM Worship

April 29th		
Announcements	Bill Morgan	May 6th Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Art Green	Randy Johnson
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Jesse Black
Communion		
Serve	Randy Johnson	Kenny Strasser
Serve	Wyatt Robbins	Mark Walker
Serve	Kyle Strasser	Elvis Byrd
Serve	Tom Grindstaff	Dave Moster
Serve	Larry Insko	Kyle Strasser
Serve	Jerry Gorman	Wyatt Robbins
Serve	Mark Walker	Jerry Gorman
Scripture Reading		
Luke 16:19-31	Tom Grindstaff	Wyatt Robbins
Sermon		
	Bruce House	Bruce House
<i>"What will Really Matter When We Die?"</i>		
Closing Prayer	Jerry Gorman	Art Green

Serving in PM Worship

Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Randy Johnson	Art Green
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Jesse Black
Communion	Randy Johnson	Kenny Strasser
Invitation	Robert Budy	Bruce House
Closing Prayer	Dan Brown	Jerry Gorman

Wednesday

May 2nd		May 9th	
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Bobby Lemay	
Invitation	Bruce House	Art Green	
Announcements	Art Green	Art Green	
Closing Prayer	Dan Brown	Wyatt Robbins	

Communion Prep

April	House
May	

Greeters

Serve
wholeheartedly, as
if you were serving
the Lord, not men.
Ephesians 6:7



Mark Your Calendar

May 5	VBS Work Day
May 12	Shelter Meal
May 19	VBS Work Day Canceled
May 27	Pot Luck & Lads Day!
June 9	Shelter Meal
June 10	VBS Kick Off
June 10-13	VBS

Attendance Record

Week of April 22nd	
Sunday School	70
Sunday Worship	108
Evening Worship	31
Wed. Bible Study	41

Financial Record

Week of April 22nd 2018	
Weekly Budget	2,746.87
Contribution	2,890.00
Budget YTD	111,540.75
Giving YTD	117,386.00

Proverbs 3:9 Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce

Deacons

Jesse Black	Children's Education/ Fellowships Building Maintenance
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Wyatt Robbins	Youth and as needed
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Coordinators

Jerry Gorman	Prime Timers
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Dave Moster	Worship Service/ Duty Roster
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