

Church of Christ

Florence

January 15, 2017

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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.

Six Things About The Bible

By Clay Bond

Psalm 19:7-9 gives the Scriptures six very significant titles: Law, Testimony, Precept, Commandment, Fear, and Judgments. We find these same terms used to describe Scripture throughout Psalm 119. Let me suggest that the reason the Holy Spirit uses so many descriptive terms for the Bible is because God is helping us to understand both the nature and sufficiency of His Word. In three short verses we learn so much about the awesome power and authority of the Scriptures.

Law: As you open your Bible you will notice that it is divided into two major sections, the Old Testament (or Law) and the New Testament (or Law). Both of these laws are perfect and complete in that each accomplishes its intended purpose, which is to convert or restore the soul. The Old Law and its system of worship have been fulfilled and done away with by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ (Colossians 2:14 & Hebrews 8:1-13). Since the death and resurrection of Christ mankind has lived under the New Covenant, also known as the "perfect law of liberty" (James 1:25). This law is perfect in that it furnishes us with all things pertaining to both life and Godliness (2 Peter 1:3). This law liberates us, setting us free from the law of sin and death (John 8:32; Romans 8:2).

Testimony: In the Scriptures we see God bearing witness about Himself both in terms of His nature and His will. In this age of over inflated expectations built on deception and false advertisements, it is refreshing that all we know of God traces back to His Word and is completely true. Paul wrote, "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse" (Romans 1:20). God's creation cries out to each and every person that He does indeed exist (Psalm 19:1-6).

Precept: God's precepts are those rules that He gives us to guide us through life. Just as we lovingly guide our children, establishing rules and boundaries to keep them safe, God has given us precepts by which we must live. As Christians, we cannot do anything we want, we must operate within the boundaries of God's statutes (Galatians 5:17). By looking to God's precepts we know that He desires for us to come out from among this world and live soberly, righteously and godly (Romans 12:1-2; Titus 2:12; 1 Peter 1:13-16). David said, "I will meditate in thy precepts and have respect unto thy ways. I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word" (Psalm 119:15-16).

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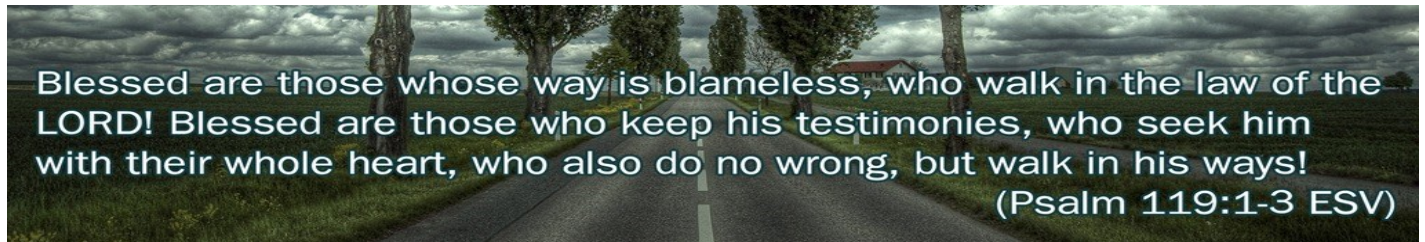
The Church you read about in the Bible

Commandment: The God of Heaven and Earth has spoken! His commands ought never to be seen or treated as mere suggestions. He has revealed the basis of our fellowship with Him and established commandments designed to maintain that fellowship (1 John 2:3-4). In Jude 1:21 Christians are encouraged to keep themselves in the love of God and Jesus told us precisely how to do this when He said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). If we want to enter that beautiful city, whose builder and maker is God, we better not wander away from God's commandments (Hebrews 11:10; Revelation 22:14; Psalm 119:10).

Fear: In our society this word has only a negative connotation, however, Biblically it can mean either terror or reverence depending on the context. Psalm 19 speaks of the reverence we should have for God when we worship Him (Psalm 89:7). This type of fear motivates us to worship in spirit and in truth (John 4:23-24). It is clean and keeps our worship pure by helping us to avoid religion that is tainted with the doctrines and commandments of men (Matthew 15:7-8). This sober reverence does not change over time or alter to fit society. The fear of the Lord endures forever.

Judgments: We say it to our kids all the time, "Make good choices." That's exactly what God's Word, His judgments help us do! It trains our consciences so that we can discern what is good and what is evil (Hebrews 5:11-14). Through God's judgments we are able to test all things and hold on to the things that are good and acceptable (1 Thessalonians 5:21-22). This last term reminds us that Christianity is a learned lifestyle, "I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments" (Psalms 119:7).

The very purpose of God's Word is to help us through this life so we will be prepared to live with Him in eternity. If we want to experience the abundant life we must allow God's Law, Testimony, Precepts, Commandments, Fear, and Judgments to work in our lives.



The Character of Appreciation

By Dr. Richard J. Krejcir

Is the Character of Appreciation working in you?

Here is how you can find out. Take a careful look at this character and fruit of Appreciation from God's most precious Word, by examining the passages below. Now ask yourself:

- How do I exhibit Appreciation in my daily life?
- What can I do to develop a better willingness to show Appreciation toward others?
- What blocks Appreciation from working and being exhibited in me?
- How can I make Appreciation function better, stronger, and faster, even in times of uncertainty and stress?

• Here are positive examples from Scripture: 1 Chron. 29:6-9; The Book of Ruth; Acts 9; Luke 17:12-20; Rom. 9:30-10:4; Eph. 3:7-13.

• Here are negative examples from Scripture: Gen. 25:29-34; 2 Sam. 6:16; 19:5-7; Esther 6; Jer. 18:18-20; Luke 17:12-20.

Collecting For Those In Need

The Emergency Shelter of NKY items needed:

(Men's Shelter)

- **SOCKS**
- Men's Jeans
- Men's Sweatshirts
- Men's and Women's Sweatpants
- Underwear (New)

There is a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping at the shelter.

Benevolence Pantry items needed:

- Canned Goods
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Meat
- Milk
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Ramen Noodles
- Juice Packs
- Baby Formula & Food

Benevolence

Thank you so much to all who made this month's shelter meal possible. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by all.

Meeting

Elders, Deacons, Coordinators, and Preacher

Meeting today @ 4:00



Help Wanted

2017 Volunteer sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Centurions of Scripture

We would like to challenge the entire congregation to memorize 100 scriptures. Our youth do this as a part of the Lads to Leaders program. We ask that you do this with your family. We will be putting two scriptures in the bulletin each week.

This week's scriptures to memorize are:

Psalms 119: 81-82

81. My soul faints for Your salvation,

But I hope in Your word

82. My eyes fail from searching Your word,

Saying, "When will You comfort me?"

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

Mike Berry
 Eunice Chumbley
 Alice Sowder
 Lois Cravens, Teddi Budy's sister, knee surgery
 Jerry Hill, Teddi Budy's nephew in las
 Jerry Cantrell, Bruce House's friend, stroke
 Lee Rust, grandfather of Jacob Green's friend, heart surgery
 Charlene Dickerson knee replacement surgery
 Nora, Stacey Brown's grandmother is in the hospital
 Brian Eviston, former student of Bill Morgan, ALS
 Roy & June Pugh
 Alexis Aiken, Joyce Bewley's Great Granddaughter,
 Nancy Noojin, Karen Brown's cousin, health issues
 Bowen Becker, Bob Becker's grandson, heart problems
 Stacie Grindstaff
 Cindy Walker health issues
 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
 Osvaldo Bonaga's Family
 Edsil Carrier's Family
 Pete Campbell's Family

Those with cancer and their families

Cale Thomas	Dennis Blundell	Margie Koons
Randy Williams	Desirae Wilson	Janice Gallagher
Gary Burke	Dwight Lowerg	Kay Shinck
Jim Kennedy	Layla Adkins	Jim McCarthy
Kristen Shaw	Ayden Egan	Donnice Palmer
Donna Farrar	Peggy Davis	Mike Lohman
Lorraine Starr	Gwen Miller	Lindy Blankenbuehler
Tammy Palmer	Chad Fischer	Buddy Webb
Ashley Pike	Debbie Hellman	Lois Stroub
Theresa Falukner	Nancy Lambert	Ruth Phelps
Mike Lowe	Steve Dobson	Serena

Our shut-ins and those caring for them

Joyce Tingle	Chuck Gambil
Eveline Lanham	Dessie Hacker

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

Please check the prayer list and let me know of any updates.
 Thank you.-Nita

Serving in AM Worship

	January 15	January 22
Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Wyatt Robbins	Mark Walker
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Matthew Hallmark
Communion	Art Green	Robert Budy
Serve	Daniel House	Daniel House
Serve	Dan Brown	Dan Brown
Serve	Jerry Gorman	Jerry Gorman
Serve	Kyle Strasser	Kyle Strasser
Serve	Matthew Hallmark	Dave Moster
Serve	Bobby Lemay	Bobby Lemay
Scripture Reading <i>Psalm 119: 1-3</i>	Dave Moster	Nathan Bowling
Sermon	Bruce House	Bruce House
<i>Things That Should Cause Us To Appreciate</i>		
Closing Prayer		Jesse Black

Serving in PM Worship

Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Wyatt Robbins	Dave Moster
Song Leader	Jesse Black	Matthew Hallmark
Communion	Art Green	Robert Budy
Sermon	Bruce House	Kyle Strasser
Closing Prayer	Kyle Strasser	Bruce House

Wednesday

	January 18	January 25
Song Leader	Jerry Gorman	Jesse Black
Invitation	Kyle Strasser	Bruce House
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster	Jerry Gorman
Announcements	Art Green	Art Green

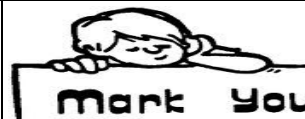
Communion Prep

January	Browns
February	Blacks

Greeters

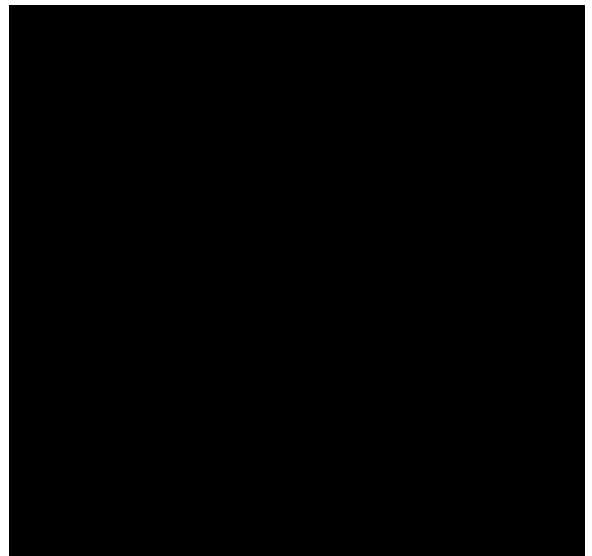
January	Blacks
February	Greeters Needed

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



Mark Your Calendar

Jan	15	EDCP Meeting
Jan	21	Lads to Leaders Group Scrapbook
Jan	22	Potluck
Jan	22	Lads to Leaders Team B
Feb	17	Bible Bowl Meeting
Feb	18	Lads to Leaders Group Scrapbook
Feb	19	Lads to Leaders Team A
Feb	26	Lads to Leaders Team B



Deacons

Jesse Black	<i>Children's Education/ Fellowships</i>
Matthew Hallmark	<i>Building Maintenance</i>
Wyatt Robbins	<i>Youth and as needed</i>

Coordinators

Jerry Gorman	<i>Prime Timers</i>
Dave Moster	<i>Worship Service/ Duty Roster</i>

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