

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Ladies' Bible Class* 10:00 am
Bible Study 7:00 pm

*September through May

Please contact Kendra Walker @ 708-829-2081 or via email at kendrabw@aol.com with prayer requests or announcements.

There is also a **Suggestion Box** on the wall in the foyer to directly contact the elders or the minister, Robert Webster.

OUR WEEKLY RECORD

Sunday AM Bible Class	77
Sunday Attendance	169
Contribution	\$2,636.00
Budget	\$2,860.00

Transportation to Sunday morning worship service can be provided for those in need. Also, for those who are unable to attend services, **communion** can be shared. Please call John Davis at 708-748-5413 to make arrangements. To receive a **Bible study by mail**, call Robert Webster at 708-331-2615 or email him at robster67@gmail.com for more information.

SERMON NOTES

June 1, 2014

Reflections of...



the Church of Christ
in South Holland

Welcome, visitors...



We are grateful to have you join us in worship today. If there is any way that we can be of help, please use the visitor's card to let us know. To learn more about churches of Christ and some of the work done here, please take a look at our website. Thank you for visiting with us today!

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

- **HEAR...**the Gospel of Christ. Rom 1:16; 10:17
- **BELIEVE...**in Jesus. John 8:24
- **REPENT...**of your sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 3:19; 17:30
- **CONFESS...**your faith in Jesus Christ. Matt 10:32; Rom 10:9-10
- **BE BAPTIZED...**for the forgiveness of sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16

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AUTHENTIC SOCIAL INTERACTION (R. Webster)

One of the most disheartening feelings a person can experience is that of loneliness. Being alone in a time of pain is even worse. Extreme loneliness can increase chances of premature death in older adults by fourteen percent, according to research by John Cacioppo, professor of psychology at the University of Chicago. Also, according recent surveys, many people, especially teenagers, are grappling with this issue by relying on social networks like Facebook and Twitter to fill that void. In many of the mass killings that have taken place, there is almost one common thread...loneliness on the part of the murderer. It is clear that not only can loneliness kill but it can cause one to kill! This might sound extreme, but it is what it is.

In a world where anyone can get "attention" online, real social interaction is a dwindling commodity. We are not made to be satisfied by Facebook where we can have hundreds of friends but only know about 10% of them. This continuous craving for personal interaction presents a glorious opportunity for the church to show the value of everyone...even the disenfranchised and the lonely.

Elijah was one of the foremost prophets of the Old Testament. He is remembered for stopping the rain, challenging a king face to face, producing fire from heaven, ordering hundreds of false prophets executed, and accurately predicting the day when a three-year drought would end. Yet this stalwart of God suffered from loneliness. Are we surprised? No! James says, "Elijah was a man just like us" (James 5:17). He also experienced times of loneliness and despair (I Kings 19:1-18).

Paul also was not immune to loneliness. He talked about this in his second letter to Timothy: "At my first defense, no one came to my aid, but they all deserted me; may it not be counted against them. But the Lord helped me and strengthened me..." (2 Tim 4:16-17).

He obviously felt the pangs of loneliness, but he was well aware that God had been and would have continued to be his strength. He acknowledged that he was depending on the social support of his brethren, but found them wanting in that area.

It is in our best spiritual interest to fellowship with God's people (Heb. 10:25), and stop trying to face the daily battles of life by ourselves. We must share in the needs and concerns of others and pray for them. Then we will begin to really experience God at work in the body of Christ because of this authentic social interaction.

Celebrations This Week...

Birthdays...

June 2 - Eula Gaddis
June 3 - Rich Singleton
June 6 - Kenton Pratt
June 7 - Sharon Cook
June 7 - Ed Singleton



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don and Billie Thompson would love to hear from old friends. Their address is:
Monticello Home
1115 K-Land Drive
Jackson, MO 63755

Don is in Room 119 and Billie is in Room 19. Don's phone number is 573-803-7646.

A **work day** is scheduled for June 21st @ 9 A.M.

We received a very nice note from **S.L. regarding the ink cartridges** that we have been saving. They cashed them in and received a little over \$2000. We need to remember that even small things make a big difference.

Mandel Golden Jr. was baptized this last Sunday afternoon. We welcome our new brother in Christ into our fellowship.

Adam and Connie would like to thank the **families that volunteered** to open their homes for the youth devotionals this coming summer. The response was wonderful!

There will be a **VBS meeting** this Wednesday evening immediately following Bible class.

Laura Pratt is hosting a **Kid's Party** June 13th at 6:30 P.M. The sign-up sheet is on the ledge. Please remember to **silence or turn off your cell phones** during worship.

PRAYER REQUESTS



A close friend of **Genevieve Singleton**, Mrs. Pelke, fell and broke her hip. Mrs. Pelke is 92 yrs old and is recovering at the Villas in South Holland. Please pray for her recovery.

Please continue to remember **Shults-Lewis Children's Home**, our **college kids**, our **missionaries**, and our **military personnel**.

IS THIS YOUR ATTITUDE?

Okay folks, here it is straight from 1 Timothy 1:15. "Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners - of whom I am the worst." If we all truly believe this verse with all our hearts, then life just got easier. When we put ourselves on the very bottom like this, we just become better servants for Jesus. When we focus on the part, "I am the worst", this type of attitude just oozes unselfishness. We lose the attitude that we're better than everybody else or better than the next guy. We all know that God wants a lowly servant and not an arrogant one. Arrogant: a sense of superiority, self-importance, or entitlement. That doesn't sound very Christ-like at all now does it? But essentially this is what you are doing by looking at yourself anywhere else but at the bottom of the barrel. But when you look at yourself as the "worst sinner" it immediately elevates all those around you, or it should. This will bring out the servant in you; to serve and not wait to be served. Yes, Jesus said that too. Matthew 20:28 You see, the thing is, Jesus loved us before we even knew Him. We didn't have to work for it did we? Certainly none of us deserves His love. None of us can earn His love. That's a no brainer. But we can show our appreciation by loving those around us with that same kind of love Jesus showed us from the moment we were conceived. Accept the fact: "of whom I am the worst."

Love one another, Scott <---this should have more meaning today folks