

## 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](mailto: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	55
Sunday Attendance	150
Contribution	\$3,040.00
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](mailto:robster67@gmail.com) for more information.

## SERMON NOTES

August 10, 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!

### ELDERS

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### MINISTER

Robert Webster	Office Hours:
708-752-5589	Wed 1-4pm Fri 10am-2pm

### YOUTH MINISTER

Adam Burke
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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 my sins. Luke 13:3; Acts 3:19; 17:30
- **CONFESS...**my faith in Jesus Christ. Matt 10:32; Rom 10:9-10
- **BE BAPTIZED...**for the forgiveness of sins. Acts 2:38; 22:16

## Church of Christ in South Holland

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## IT'S YOUR "RIGHT" BUT...!" (R. Webster)

According to Americapedia, *"Rights are powers and privileges to which one has a just claim."* This is a bedrock principle on which the American constitution was composed when it says, in essence, that each citizen has the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. As a matter of fact, just about every democratic society is built on these basic tenets that also encompass freedom of speech, religion, the press, etc. Entrenched in the constitution also, is the fact that a citizen does not have the right to violate another man's rights. Voltaire, the French philosopher once said, *"I do not agree with what you have to say, but I'll defend to the death your right to say it."*

Every person, regardless of color, class or creed must be given these rights, not because politicians have legislated them, but because they are given by God. Man was created a free moral agent, and as such he has the power to choose. Adam and Eve's choice to disobey God showed that God gave them the ability to choose in Gen. 3. Pharaoh's defiance against his Creator, despite the plagues upon his people, clearly showed the power he had to make his own decision (Exodus 7). Ananias and Sapphira were reminded of their own right to choose given to them by God when Peter asked, *"While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control?"* (Acts 5:4) A Christian who decides to abandon his faith and go back into the world has the power to make that choice. A man who decides to adopt a lifestyle that is against what the Bible teaches is certainly exercising his right to choose. One who slanders the church of Jesus Christ is making a choice, indeed. Pilate needed to be informed that his judicial powers to crucify or set Christ free came from heaven. Jesus responded to Pilate's arrogance saying, *"You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above"* (John 19:11).

We are called to serve God and commit our lives to Him, but we have the right to choose whether we want to or not. Jesus says, *"And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely"* (Rev. 22:17). However, with our God-given right to choose and make decisions, comes an expectation from God for us to choose responsibly and wisely. Jesus warned in Matt. 12:36, *"I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak."* Centuries earlier, Solomon declared in Ecclesiastes 12:14, *"For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil."*

In light of this, you can defend your right to choose...but the day of reckoning awaits us all!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Eddie Taylor resigned** this past Sunday as an elder of this congregation. If you have any questions about this, please see one of the elders.

We are grateful to have **Tasha Jones**, the daughter of Ruby Jamison, in fellowship with us once again.

There will be a **Ladies Day meeting** immediately following services this morning in the auditorium. Ladies, please try to attend, as plans for this year's program will be made.

**Peter will be preaching** this morning at the Illinois State Fair where he and several of our young people are working at Exhibit Evangelism. Lexi Smith, Kennedy Smith, Kia Smith, and Joseph Walker are greeters at the exhibit; all will be returning home Monday afternoon.

**Ron Clayton**, who is a missionary from India, will be speaking at the 6 P.M. worship this evening followed by a casual fellowship downstairs. All are invited, and members are encouraged to bring finger foods and desserts to share.

We are happy to have **DeLois back safely** after traveling to Memphis for her mother's funeral. Please remember to **silence or turn off your cell phones** during worship.



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please continue to remember **Ray Singleton** (Genevieve's brother-in-law), **Debra Ellis**, **Mary-Ann Senchek**, **Scott Kessler**, **Shults-Lewis Children's Home**, our college kids, our missionaries, and our military personnel.

## Celebrations This Week...



### *Birthdays...*

Aug 15 - Brooke Gamble

Aug 16 - Emily Nee

### *Anniversaries...*

Aug 11 - Kenneth & Ursala Ware #35

