

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	59
Sunday Attendance	152
Contribution	\$3,284.00
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

August 24, 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 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

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WHEN GOD STOPS AND LOOKS! R. Webster

As I write about the need for humility, I began to reflect on my own failings in this area which makes me uneasy in trying to tell others about it. It is clear that we all need lessons on this critical subject if we are going to be blessed by God. Peter says, *“God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”* I Pet. 5:5. Humility is defined by Holman Illustrated Bible Dict. as *“An attitude of lowliness and obedience, grounded in the recognition of one’s status before God as his creatures.”*

Many of our downfalls and disagreements can be traced back to a lack of humility which dogged the Israelites throughout their generations. The Lord said to Solomon, *“If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place.”* II Chron. 7:14-15

Humility is what gets God’s attention. We usually think of getting someone’s attention by being flamboyant and brash -- but being humble? However, Isa. 66:2b teaches us as to what captivates God. *“...But this is the man to whom I will look and have regard: he who is humble and of a broken and wounded spirit, and who trembles at My word and reveres My commands”*

We often heard from great motivational speakers and leadership seminars of what it takes to be an achiever, but humility is hardly ever (if ever) mentioned. It is just not an attractive characteristic to strive for as far as the world is concerned. Yet this is pleasing in the sight of God. The Israelites had been given everything they needed by God and yet in return they showed very little regard for His Word. Here He admonished them to abandon their arrogance and embrace humility if they wanted to get His attention.

Is it possible that we as God’s people (the church), to forfeit our blessings because of pride? It surely is! We sing so many songs and pray so many prayers beseeching God to look at our lives and help us, yet if we are filled with pride and are self-conceited, these will collide with the blessings from heaven. A very sober fact is that God hates this kind of attitude (Prov. 6:16-17).

It is not easy to be humble in this world, however, Paul says, *“Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus”* Phil. 2:5. Let us pray fervently that God will help us to become more humble Christians. There is a church in Palestine the doorway of which is so low that one must stoop to enter it. This was to prevent medieval raiders from riding their horses into the church and disrupting the worship. The door is called *“Humility Gate.”* Likewise, entrance to our heavenly home requires going through the *“Humility Gate.”*

*Humility, that low, sweet root
From which all heavenly virtues shoot.—Thomas More*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

One week from today will be our last **all-church picnic** on August 31st. The Pratt’s are hosting the fellowship for August and asked for a picnic at Hollandale Park. More information to follow...

Wonderful news: Thursday evening, Gina Kennelly and her daughter Megan were baptized into Christ. Gina is Joe & Virginia Hoadley’s daughter.

This past Sunday morning in the auditorium Bible class the question came up regarding Eddie Taylor resigning as an elder. We spent the entire class discussing this and looking at scriptures. Wanting to give all other members an opportunity to participate in this discussion, the elders are dedicating this coming Wednesday evening Bible study to this issue. All members are invited.

We have two piles of wood chips behind the church building. If anyone wants any, or all of these, please get them this week.

Peter will be teaching the combined Bible class and then preaching the morning and afternoon service next Sunday.

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** that have returned to school, our **missionaries**, and our **military personnel**.

Celebrations This Week...

Birthdays...

Aug 24 - Megan Kennelly
Aug 27 - Sandra Daniel - Webb
Aug 29 - Mitchell Kessler
Aug 29 - Myka Moore
Aug 29 - David Wallace
Aug 30 - Tom Nee

