

## 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	70
Sunday Attendance	142
Contribution	\$3,742.00
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.

## INFLUENCES...BAD VS GOOD (J. Davis)

Children in every generation have been surrounded by influences of the world, even practices that can lead one away from God. Moral erosion, mass murder, street gang violence, and drive by shootings are often the topic of today's news, TV shows, and various social networks. "Be not deceived: evil companions corrupt good manners." 1 Cor. 15:33

As Christians, what can we do to influence our children and grandchildren from becoming corrupt perpetrators or victims of today's decay of morals and ethics?

Bringing our children to worship service on a regular basis and developing supportive relationships with fellow church members would be a good place to start. We can become active participants and remain involved with our children and grandchildren in Sunday school and mid-week Bible classes. We can also become faithful supporters with a willingness to assist as we engage our children along with their friends in teen devotions and other youth based activities.

Let us strive to be the light that our Savior, Jesus Christ, talks about in Matthew 5:14-16.

November 9, 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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## HARD PRESSED ON EVERY SIDE (R. Webster)

Life challenges us from every possible angle. This is the message that Paul conveys to us in II Cor. 4:7-8 when he says, “*We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair.*” The Old KJV renders it this way “*We are troubled on every side...*” Paul’s life was filled with all kinds of distressful circumstances, from beatings, being stoned, in danger of his fellow countrymen, shipwrecks, etc. as he states in II Cor. 11:23-28. However, he may have been knocked down, but certainly not knocked out (II Cor. 4:9). He just refused to give up! It may very well be that he was inspired by the Old Testament patriarch Job who experienced some of the most crushing blows one could ever experience.

The difficulties of life normally affect us in two very sensitive areas of our lives; the things we love and those we love. Job got hit right between the eyes! He lost his health, wealth, comfort and his children.

These are the times when we can either wilt under the pressure or learn some valuable lessons. Job obviously chose the latter. He said, “*Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble*”(Job 14: 1). Again, he concluded, “*Yet man is born to trouble as surely as sparks fly upward*” (Job 5:7). In other words, no man is exempt from the effects of sin in this life.

I do not pretend to know all the questions a person will ask during these times of losses, nor even the answers. However, the Word of God does offer some much needed advice to us:

1. Grieve if you must. Pent up emotion is like steam in a kettle. David grieved over the death of his son (I Sam. 12:15-23). Jesus wept over the loss of his friend Lazarus (John 11:35). Grieving is a necessary part of the healing process.
2. Trust God, no matter what! Job said, “*Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him.*” (Job. 13:15). If you knew God’s power and love for you, you won’t need much convincing to know that He has got you covered.
3. Rely on the comfort of your friends and family, especially your spiritual family, the church. Our Bro. Paul exhorts the church in Rome to “Rejoice with those who rejoice, *weep with those who weep*” (Rom. 12:15)
4. Use your experience to help others who are discombobulated by their own losses. Comfort others with the comfort you have received (11 Cor. 1:3-4). Do not allow selfishness to get a strangle hold on you (Phil. 2:3-4).
5. Stay involved as much as possible. After Ruth’s husband died, she could have withdrawn herself, but instead she went out and gleaned in the field where she met Boaz, her future husband (Ruth 2:3). Don’t check out on life, stay active and involved. It has therapeutic values both spiritually and physically.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Courtney & Sharod Moore, along with Myka, welcomed **Nazir Rodney Moore** into their family this past Tuesday. Nazir was born 2 weeks early, but weighed in at a healthy 7lbs 4oz. Both mom and baby are doing well. Congratulations!

As in years past, the church here at South Holland has been asked to collect commodity items for the children’s home at **Shults-Lewis**. We have been asked to collect **AFTER SCHOOL SNACKS** (granola bars, cookies, cracker packs, fruit snacks, popcorn, graham crackers, basically anything kids enjoy for a snack). A staff member will be in our area for the pick up some time during the week of December 7. If you’d rather donate funds for their purchase, identify them for Shults-Lewis.

**Joseph Walker** was accepted to Youngstown State University in Ohio and plans to attend this fall, majoring in Criminal Science. Congratulations, Joseph!

Our annual **Teacher’s Appreciation Dinner** this past Friday was a great success. A special thanks to all our teachers who give so much of their time and to those who helped to honor them. Derrek and Susan Reese do a wonderful job of organizing this dinner every year. Thank you!

The **elders are meeting** this coming Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

**John & Michal Davis** are hosting a **card and game party** in their home on Friday, November 21 at 6pm.

Please remember to **silence or power off any electrical devices** during worship.

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Bruce Cartwright’s aunt** died this past week. Please remember Bruce and his family in your prayers.

**Colleen Dembowski’s sister-in-law’s** funeral was yesterday afternoon. Please keep the Dembowski family in your prayers.

Please continue to remember **James McGee, MaryAnn Senchek, Shults-Lewis Children’s Home, our college kids, our missionaries, and our military personnel** in your prayers.

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## **Celebrations This Week...**



### *Birthdays...*

Nov 9 - Charlene Dyson  
Nov 10 - Diana Dixon  
Nov 14 - Danielle Golden

### *Anniversaries...*

Nov 11 - Mario & Herschenia Brown - Koonce #3  
Nov 14 - Robert & Ann Marie Webster #22

