

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

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

TUESDAY

Men's Bible Class 9:30 am

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

OUR WEEKLY RECORD

Sunday AM Bible Class	58
Sunday Attendance	126
Contribution	\$3,635
Budget	\$2,774

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

SERMON NOTES

March 20, 2016

Reflections of...



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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Office Hours:
Wed 10am-1pm Fri 10am-1pm

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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Is the Church Of Christ Unique In A Observance Of The Lord's Supper?

Weekly

Allen Webster (submitted by R. Webster)

Most groups serve communion infrequently. For instance, Lifeway surveyed 1,066 Southern Baptist pastors and found that • 1 percent offered the Lord's supper weekly, • 18 percent once a month, • 15 percent 5–10 times a year, • 57 percent quarterly, and • 8 percent 0–3 times a year. Many mainline churches would have similar practices. The Roman Catholic Church requires taking the Eucharist (bread) only once a year, but it does offer mass daily. The church of Christ takes the Lord's supper every Lord's day, since that was the practice of the early church (Acts 20:7).

Bible scholars agree that the early church had weekly communion:

- John Calvin: *"We ought always to provide that no meeting of the church is held without the word, prayer, the dispensation of the Supper, and alms. We may gather from Paul that this was the order observed by the Corinthians, and it is certain that this was the practice many ages after"* (Institutes of Christian Religion).
- Adam Clarke, Methodist: *"Intimating by this, that they were accustomed to receive the holy sacrament on each Lord's Day."*
- A. C. Hervey, Church of England: *"This is also an important example of weekly communion as the practice of the first Christians"* (Pulpit Commentary).
- Albert Barnes, Presbyterian: *"It is probable that the apostles and early Christians celebrated the Lord's Supper on every Lord's Day"* (Barnes' Notes).

The language used in Acts 20:7 of the supper (*"upon the first day of the week"*) is identical to that used in 1 Corinthians 16:2 of giving. Since all churches (so far as I know) use 1 Corinthians 16:2 as authority to take a weekly collection, why not interpret the same language the same way and have weekly communion? Jesus left the supper as a memorial of His death. It connects His first and second comings with weekly markers of His sacrifice.

If a serviceman visited the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and found no soldier guarding it, would he take it as an affront? If one went to JFK's grave in Arlington, only to find that

caretakers had let the "eternal flame" go out, would he feel Kennedy's name was slighted? We might wonder how Jesus feels when Sunday after Sunday passes with no memorial feast.

Is this unique? No—at least three other churches (Catholic, Christian Church, Disciples of Christ) offer weekly communion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We'd like to have a **congregational breakfast** at 9AM on Saturday, March 12. We will be talking about our upcoming gospel meeting, which will be June 5 – 8. Please sign the list on the ledge if you can attend.

The elders appreciate the generous response from the congregation for 4 of our young people to go to the **City of Children** in Mexico. The congregation donated a total of \$750.

Beginning March 4, and every Friday after that till school is out, there will be **homework help** at the building from 4 – 5:30 PM.

There will be **no Ladies Bible Class** this coming Wednesday.

There is a list on the ledge to sign for **communion preparation** in 2016.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Moorgan Cook is in South Suburban Hospital as doctors try to identify the cause of the blurriness in her vision. She is in Room 204 and will be there for the next few days for testing.

Joe Walker's mother, Elaine, is home and improving.

Peter thanks everyone for their prayers and concerns regarding his overnight stay in the hospital last week. He hopes to be back with us next Sunday.

If you have a **request for prayers**, please fill out the back of a visitor's card and hand it to one of the men during communion.

Please continue to remember **Ken & Ursala Ware, Shults-Lewis Children's Home**, our **college kids**, our **mission efforts**, and our **military personnel** in your prayers.

CELEBRATIONS!!!

Happy Birthday...

Mar 1 - Hayli McGlothlin

Mar 3 - Calvin Goldman

Mar 3 - Laura Singleton