

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**

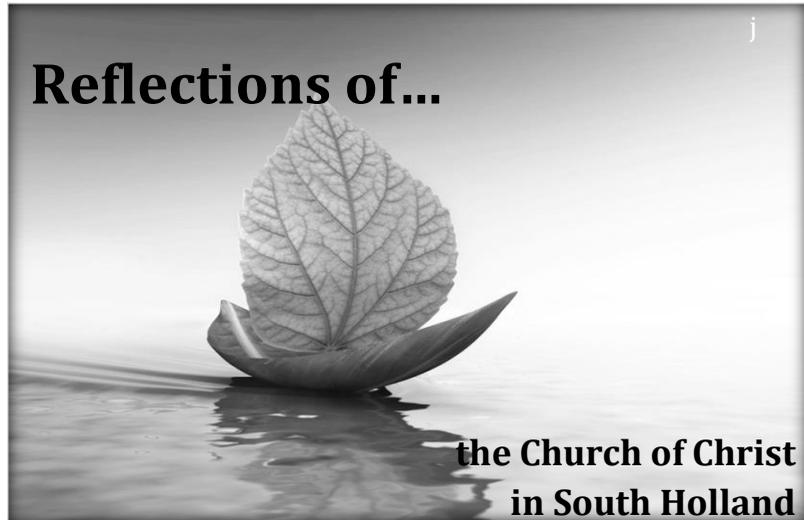
OUR WEEKLY RECORD

Sunday AM Bible Class	54
Sunday Attendance	125
Contribution	\$2,829
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

March 27, 2016



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!

CELEBRATIONS!!!

Happy Birthday...

Mar 27 – Brian Kennelly

Mar 28 – Scott Kessler

Mar 29 – Brenton Cook

SERMON NOTES:

ELDERS

Ed Singleton 815-464-6584
John Davis 708-748-5413
Peter Bumpass 708-331-1971
Kessler 662-0668

DEACONS

(Assoc. Minister) Derrek Reese 708-957-5850
Scott 219-

MINISTER

Robert Webster
708-752-5589

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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WHAT THE RESURRECTION MEANS TO ME – R. Webster

At Easter time, it is customary for millions of people with some affiliation to Christianity to focus on the resurrection of Jesus. This awesome event that took place approximately two thousand years ago is undoubtedly the basis of the existence of Christianity, which is indicative of the level of significance that should be placed on it by disciples of Christ today. However, one runs the risk of getting swept away by this seasonal sentimental feeling about the event, enhanced by Hollywood movies and various reenactments around the world. We, as members of the body of Christ, are also at risk in celebrating this pivotal event of Christ as a mere glamour occurrence and thereby missing out on the spiritual blessings arising from it. And so the question is, what should the resurrection mean to me as a Christian?

To say that my faith stands on the authenticity of this remarkable event is an understatement. There can be no room for doubt about the resurrection. Paul was very forthright in addressing this matter in I Cor. 15 where there were Christians who denied it. Having told us that the resurrection is the core of the gospel in vs. 1-4, he then says the resurrected Savior "...was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve" v. 5, and "After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once," v. 6, and "After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles" v. 7, and "then last of all He was seen by me also..." v. 8. In v. 11 Paul says our belief in the resurrection is the foundation of our faith. I Cor. 15:17 says, "And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!" This means denying it is spiritually catastrophic!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This coming Wednesday evening is the 5th Wednesday of the month, so we will be having our **singing devotional**. We need each of our song leaders there to lead your favorites along with the requests.

There are a dozen **signup sheets on the ledge** in the foyer. These are for the several responsibilities that need to be fulfilled up to and including the gospel meeting. A successful gospel meeting will depend upon everyone being involved. Please check out the lists and see where you would be able to help.

Marie Nordstrom's new address is: 14297 Montclair Drive, Brooksville, FL 34613-5035.

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.

There are very few religious groups that partake of the Lord's Supper weekly as do churches of Christ. We do this not to appear different from mainstream religion, but to be in compliance with clear scriptural teachings and doctrinal practice of the 1st century church (Acts 20:7; I Cor. 11:23-29). Since we as Christians do this every first day of the week (Sundays), it is incumbent upon us to make sure we are very informed about it rather than to be steered by global tradition and euphoria. This unique supper was authorized by Christ when He inaugurated it in Matt. 26:26-29. In it we commemorate the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. In regards to both the bread and the wine we are told in vs. 24 and 25 of I Cor. 11 to "*do this in remembrance of Me.*"

From the time of Adam, man has been confronted with the inevitable event of death. God told Adam that "*In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; For dust you are, And to dust you shall return.*" (Gen. 3:19). It is again reiterated in Ecc. 3:20 "*All go to one place: all are from the dust, and all return to dust.*" Since then, the hearts of families and friends have been shattered by the loss of loved ones including Christians. Paul, however, tells us that the resurrected Jesus gives us hope that we too will be raised from the dead, giving us greater courage in facing it. He says "*For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus*" (I Thes. 4:14). For this reason, we should not "*sorrow as others who have no hope*" (I Thes. 4:13). The resurrection then tells me that, even though we will die (Heb. 9:27) and we are separated from our fellow Christians as a result, it's ok to feel sorrowful but not hopelessly so, since being raised from the dead precedes the reuniting of the people of God. Paul then concludes in I Thessalonians 4 by saying "*Therefore, comfort one another with these words.*"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Virginia Hoadley was still in the hospital as of yesterday evening. She might be coming home today. Listen for an update in the announcements.

Ann Marie Webster spent Wednesday night in the hospital this past week with some symptoms that required further testing. We look forward to seeing her this morning in church.

After returning from a trip, all of the **Sheltons** have been ill, but are on the mend. We hope to see them in church today.

Ruthie Gamble's uncle passed away, and the funeral is this coming Saturday morning. Please see your email for more details.

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 **Bruce Cartwright, Ken & Ursala Ware, Shults-Lewis Children's Home**, our **college kids**, our **mission efforts**, our **gospel meeting**, and our **military personnel** in your prayers.