

May 29, 2016

**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](mailto:kendrabw@aol.com) with **prayer requests or announcements.**

There is also a **Suggestion**

**OUR WEEKLY RECORD**

Sunday AM Bible Class 50  
Sunday Attendance 113  
Contribution \$2,762  
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](mailto:robster67@gmail.com)

**SERMON NOTES:**

**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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### **“Wait” Training – R. Webster**

The first king of Israel taught us the valuable lesson of patience. In I Sam. 13, Saul and his army were waiting for Samuel to arrive to offer a sacrifice before going to war against the Philistines. Samuel had not yet come, and the soldiers were preparing to flee rather than fight the Philistines. Saul became impatient and decided to offer a sacrifice on his own. Just as Saul finished the sacrifice, Samuel arrived and said, *“You have done a foolish thing... You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you”* (1 Sam. 13:13). Why was offering a sacrifice foolish? Because he was not a priest, and he had disobeyed a direct command from the prophet Samuel given in 1 Sam. 10:8: *“Go down ahead of me to Gilgal. I will surely come down to you to sacrifice burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, but you must wait seven days until I come to you and tell you what you are to do.”* These seven days may have been designed by God to teach Saul the virtue of patience and letting God lead Him. Thus, he failed miserably when he went ahead and offered sacrifices, which not only led to defeat in battle but God's rejection of him as king of Israel (1 Sam. 13:14).

Saul's lack of patience and the consequences that followed are lessons for all of us. Many bad decisions we make can be attributed to impatience. I know for sure that I don't like waiting. It seems like such a waste of time. Fast-food restaurants, microwaves, cellphones, emails, etc. have all given us the ability to have things instantly. However, our heavenly Father knows there is a value in learning to wait on Him, so He allows us to be placed in situations where we have no choice but to wait. These circumstances are designed to give us “wait” training. Baker's Encyclopedia of the Bible defines “patience” as *“the capacity to bear pain or trials without complaint, the ability to forbear under severe provocation, and the self-control which keeps one from acting rashly even though suffering opposition or adversity.”* I believe we can all agree that this is by far easier said than done.

Patience is much easier to exercise, however, when we first put our faith and trust in God that He has everything under control, and that He will ensure that all things

work for our own good (Rom. 8:28). Also, understanding the rewards of patience helps to ease the agony of waiting. Isa. 40:31 says that *“they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint...”* Therefore, I pray that our plea to our Father will be, *“Lord, teach us how to wait!”*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Keep next week's **upcoming gospel meeting** in your prayers, especially remembering our speakers and the visitors that will be attending. Also, Connie would like to remind everyone that she is in need of some family photos. These can be current photos, or older photos. You can give your photos to Connie this Sunday or Wednesday evening, or you can email or text them to her at [connielynburke@gmail.com](mailto:connielynburke@gmail.com) or 815-531-7213. Any photos submitted will be returned after the gospel meeting. Thank you!

There will be **no fellowship meal** this afternoon due to the upcoming Friends and Family Day meal next Sunday. Because we aren't eating lunch here, we will not have our regularly scheduled 1pm worship service this afternoon. However, Peter will be at the building for any who may show up.

The **Men's bathroom** by the water fountain is out of order for remodeling. Please use the alternate upstairs or downstairs bathrooms. It will be in service again next Sunday.

Congratulations to our **High School graduates**, David Cartwright and Abbi McGlothlin. All are invited to David's graduation party this afternoon from 4 -9 pm at the Cartwright's home in Crete.

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

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Ruth Bos** became ill this past week. She hopes to be here with us this morning.

**Ruthie Gamble** asked for prayers for herself and her family.

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 **Porscha, Marion Knott, Ken & Ursala Ware, Shults-Lewis Children's Home**, our **college kids**, our **mission efforts**, and our **military personnel** in your prayers.

## ***CELEBRATIONS!!!***

*Happy Birthday...*

June 2 – Eula Gaddis

June 3 – Rich Singleton