

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Class 10:00 AM
 Morning Worship 11:00 AM
 Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

Leadership

Elders Hayward Blanton
 Jerry Casey
 Clint Smith Sr

Deacons Brandon Slotman
 Clint Smith Jr
 Robby Stocksdale
 Joe Sweeney

Pulpit Minister Eric Welch

Missions

Panama Pablo & Myra Sanchez
 Panama Denicio & Carmen Miranda
 New Zealand Nick & Marisa Parker

We Offer Free Personal Bible Studies and

Free Bible Correspondence Courses

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Those Privileged to Serve

A.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Michael Hawkins
 Opening Prayer Doug McArthur
 Scripture Reading Brandon Slotman
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Lord's Supper Message Hank Tincher
 Matthew 26:26-68

Table Attendant Dillian Goddard
 Table Attendant Jerry Montgomery
 Closing Prayer Joe Sweeney

P.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Rick Martin
 Bible Reading Clint Smith III
 Selection 9
 Opening Prayer Clint Smith Jr
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Closing Prayer Jerry Casey

A.M. & P.M. Services

Announcements Robby Stocksdale
 Lord's Supper Prayer Ryan Irwin
 Offering Prayer Leon Stocksdale
 Usher Derrick Smith II
 Count Offering Art Patrick
 Assist Count Marc Owens

Sermon Titles

Sunday Morning

Q/A What is the Difference between Grace and Mercy?
 Matthew 18:23-25

Sunday Evening

God's Covenant with David - 2 Sam 7:1-16

Last Sunday

Offering: \$2,897 Attendance: 86

Believe God and Believe IN Him

“Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness, and he was called the friend of God” (James 2:23).

There is a big difference between believing in God and believing God. Abraham did both. God gave him the gift of righteousness, and they were friends. Imagine a human being a friend of the Almighty. Imagine no more, because Jesus has made it a reality for all of us. We have a friend in Jesus, and that connects us to His Father when we keep His commands. He told us that in John 15. Now, with Jesus as our Lord and Savior, we all can be called a friend of God. Believe in God and believe Him.

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Turn It Around

“Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country!” This challenge, made famous during the Kennedy presidency, suggests a like principle which should guide every Christian's attitude toward the church. We should be less concerned about what is being done for US and more attentive to what we are doing for others.

Ask not, therefore...

...whether this is a good congregation to be a member of, but ask whether I am a good member of the congregation.

...how much I am loved, but how much love have I shown.

...how many get well cards I received, but how many I have sent to others.

...who visited me, but who have I visited.

...how much I get out of classes, but how much I contribute to make the classes interesting and edifying.

...whether I was remembered in prayer, but whether I faithfully prayed for others.

...who did or did not speak to me, but how many others I greeted.

...whether my good work is recognized, but whether I have given honor to whom honor is due.

...how many of my prayer requests God has granted, but how grateful have I been for His innumerable blessings.

...to what extent my deeds have profited me now, but how my life will be remembered when I am gone.

“Look not every man on his own thing, but every man also on the things of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus” who “came not to be ministered unto, but to minister” (Phil. 2:4-5; Matt. 20:28).

- David Pharr; via the weekly bulletin of the Broadway Church of Christ in Campbellsville, KY.

Counting the Cost

Eric Welch

At the end of Joshua 24, Joshua challenges the people of Israel in their commitment to the covenant with God. He reminds them first about all that God had done for them (v. 14). He then tells them that they have a choice. Will they serve the false gods of their ancestors, or will they serve the living God? Joshua announced his decision, implying that they should follow his example as their leader (v. 15).

In verses 16-18, the people answer that they would indeed devote themselves to God. Then we read verse 19: "But Joshua said to the people, 'You are not able to serve the LORD, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm and consume you, after having done you good.'" What does he mean by this? Although they said that they will be faithful, does not mean that they will follow through. He is challenging them to count the cost. They insist that they will follow God and keep the covenant, going so far as being witnesses against themselves should they betray their commitment (vv. 21-22).

This passage in Joshua reminds me of a method that can be used when persuading someone to become a Christian. After leading the person to commit to Jesus, the teacher will then try to talk the person out of doing so. That sounds contrary to what should be done, but Jesus Himself often presented this challenge. He tried to talk to people out of following Him. Sometimes He challenged them directly (Luke 9:57-62) and sometimes indirectly through His hard teachings (John 6:60).

Trying to talk people out of following Jesus after a Bible study is an effective way to help them to count the cost. If they hear about the worst that could happen to them, but still insist on following Him, then you know that the commitment is real.

Think on these...

"So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God" James 1:19-20

A RECENT STUDY has revealed that a hot temper can make a person three-times more likely to have a heart attack than someone who remains relatively calm. Researchers discovered the higher risk after studying nearly 13,000 people in four American communities for six years.

Nigel Hawks, Science Editor, Times Newspapers Ltd.

"It seems that every family tree has some sap in it."

"People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel."

"You can't direct the wind, but you can adjust your sails."

- via THE SOWER, a weekly publication of the Arthur Church of Christ, Arthur, IL.

Hamburg Pike Happenings

The Monday Night for the Master group will meet Monday March 5th at 6:30 p.m. The meal theme is Mexican.

Attention all Lads to Leaders participants. We will be meeting at the building at 5:00 p.m. on the following Sundays: March 4th, 11th and 18th. Anyone who would like to lead their songs, work on their artwork or say their "Know the Books", please come to as many of the meetings as needed. If you have any questions please see Ashley Smith.

"Rely on our dear Savior. He will be the Father of the fatherless and husband to the widow. Trust in the mercy and goodness of Christ, and always be ready to say with heartfelt resignation, 'May the Lord's will be done.'" (Andrew Jackson)