

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 Clint Smith Jr
 Brandon Slotman
 Robby Stocksdale
 Joe Sweeney

Pulpit Minister Eric Welch
 Associate Minister Irvin F. Williams

Missions

Panama Mission Pablo Sanchez

We Offer Free Personal Bible Studies and
 Bible Correspondence Courses

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Those Privileged to Serve

A.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Michael Hawkins
 Opening Prayer John Keaton
 Scripture Reading Hank Tincher
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Derrick Smith II
 Luke 22:14-23, 39-70
 Lord's Supper Message
 Table Attendant Ryan Irwin
 Table Attendant Greg Blanton
 Closing Prayer Clint Smith Jr

P.M. Worship Service

Song Leader Rick Martin
 Bible Reading Nathaniel Welch
 Selection 36
 Opening Prayer Robby Stocksdale
 Sermon Eric Welch
 Closing Prayer Jerry Casey

A.M. & P.M. Services

Announcements Joe Sweeney
 Lord's Supper Prayer Clint Smith Sr
 Offering Prayer Brandon Slotman
 Usher Art Patrick
 Count Offering Harold Tincher
 Assist Count Hank Tincher

Sermon Titles

Sunday Morning It's All about Jesus - 1 John 1:1-4

Sunday Evening To Be Announced

Last Sunday

Offering: \$2,982 Attendance: 83

Jesus the Rock of Ages

Some build their hopes on the ever-drifting sand,
 Some on their fame, or their treasure, or their land;

Mine's on a Rock that forever will stand,

Jesus, the 'Rock of Ages.'"

– From the Sunday School Journal, 1871

Family

James teaches that everyone should be hearers and doers of God's word *"Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger;"* (James 1:19).

The next time your child comes to you with a problem, hear him out before giving advice. Distressed children want to be listened to, not lectured.

The Word of God is like a scalpel in the hands of a skilled surgeon, it cuts in order to heal.

The Worker

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Who Am I?

By Bill Brandstatter

In answering the above question many are confused. Some think that we are merely a product of evolution. Others might think that our purpose in life is primarily to enjoy ourselves. Yet the Bible teaches that the individual is a creation of God. God wants to be first in the lives of everyone. We are not here to just enjoy recreation, and the other creature comforts. We are here to glorify God. Consider the evidence.

Paul states: "For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist." (Col 1:16, 1:17 (NKJV) The apostle from Tarsus is referring to Christ. Notice he states: "all things were created through Him and for Him." The reason we are here is for Christ. Does our life reflect that? Is Christ first in all that we do. Paul adds to this by commanding: "And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." (Col 3:17) Before doing something do we look to Jesus to see what He would think of that activity, event, or function?

God is in charge of the world. To those on Mars Hill, Paul stated: "God, who made the world and everything in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things. And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings." (Acts 17:24-26) (NKJV)

Unfortunately, there is a desire in our world to put ourselves or others in first place. Many are trying to make God in their own image. Some, in order to justify sin say, "But God is just and loving, He will understand." Such may result from a misunderstanding of God. God is good, but also severe. (Rom. 11:22) God is jealous and wants to be first in our lives. (Ex. 20:5) I have observed people who knew what God wanted them to do, but refused to do it. (Rom. 1:28)

Who am I? I am a creation of God. I should glorify Him in all I do. Paul tells the church at Corinth this very idea: "Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's." (1 Cor. 6:19, 20)

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A True Prophet

Eric Welch

As I was scrolling through social media recently, I came across this “jewel”: “A true prophet will not call you out, but will call you to rise up.” This adage sounds nice because it presses our “feel good” buttons, but is it true?

Prophets were inspired preachers of God. Their mission was to call out people for their sins and to fall down in submission to God. The Old Testament prophets confronted Israel’s kings. Nathan called out David for his adultery, murder and lies. Elijah called out Ahab and Jezebel for their idolatry. Daniel called out Nebuchadnezzar and Belshazzar for their pride. All the prophets called out entire nations, especially Israel and Judah, warning them to repent or be destroyed. As for Judah, however, for every prediction of exile and ruin came predictions of hope and restoration, found later fulfilled in the Christ.

After 400 years of prophetic silence, John the Baptizer came and called out King Herod for his adultery. Peter called out Simon the Sorcerer, for thinking he could purchase the power of the Holy Spirit. He also called out Ananias and Sapphira for lying to the Holy Spirit. Paul confronted the false prophet Elymas Bar-Jesus, who tried to keep Sergius Paulus from hearing the Gospel. He also challenged King Agrippa to become a Christian. Ultimately, Jesus called out the ruler of this world, Satan, and defeated him at his own game (Hebrews 2:14).

When we read and submit to God’s Word, His inspired prophets continue call us out from our modern idols back to the Father and His Son, Jesus. Jesus, THE Prophet like Moses calls us out of the world and into his church, the called out ones to be His loyal disciples. A preacher who does not confront sin and urge repentance is not worth listening to.

Therefore, “...test the spirits to see whether they are from God” (1Jn 4:1).

Who Am I?

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Paul also told them that His writings were the commands of God (1 Cor.14:37). Are we following these commandments as we should? Have we done anything lately to glorify God? Are we just enjoying life day by day without ever mentioning God to anyone else? Are we “doing our own thing” and expecting to go to heaven?

These are some things to think about when we consider who we are. The world should not tell us. The influences of worldly people or ideas should not determine the answer to the question. We should follow God, glorify Him, and heaven will one day be our home.

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Hamburg Pike Happenings

The Elders invite and encourage baptized male members to consider volunteering for a Wednesday evening devotional during the fall quarter. The lessons need to be prepared and 3 to 5 minutes in duration. Please find the list on the bulletin board.

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