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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

BIBLE CLASSES _____ 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP _____ 10:30 A.M.

EVENING WORSHIP _____ 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

CLASSES/DEVOTIONAL _____ 7:00 P.M.

*"Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments:
for this is the whole duty of man."-Ecclesiastes 12:13*

Worshiping God Acceptably -Shepherds Notes By Zack Petties

Man by nature is a creature of worship. It is just as natural for man to worship as it is for him to eat or breathe. Now, that which he worships may be an idol, and thus his worship would be in vain; but nevertheless, he will worship something, or someone. So, one is able to quickly see that although untold numbers worship God, not all worship is acceptable to God! The Athenians worshiped in ignorance (Acts 17:23). The Jews worshiped unacceptably (Rom.10:1-4). Jesus said, of the people of His day, *"Ye hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men"* (Matt. 15:7-9).

The English word "worship" is from an Anglo-Saxon word meaning "worth-ship." It conveys the idea of ascribing honor, respect, reverence, homage, and respect devoted to God." The Greek word proskuneo is defined: "to make obeisance, do reverence to (from PROS, towards and KUNEO, to kiss), is the most frequent word rendered to worship. It is used in an act of homage or reverence"-*(W.E. Vine, Word Study of the New Testament, p.235)*. Worship, therefore, involves something one does. It is an act of divine adoration. Acceptable worship is NOT based upon merely being honest, and sincere. Nor is acceptable worship based on human tradition, custom or one's likes and dislikes. Acceptable worship is based upon God's words of instructions as revealed in the New Testament! Jesus set forth what is involved in acceptable worship in John 4:24, *"God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."* To worship "in spirit" conveys the idea of one being honest and sincere. To worship "in truth" is to worship according to God's word. since God's word is truth-*(John 17:17)*. Therefore, one's worship must not only be sincere, but according to God's divine instructions! Anything else is vain, void and useless! In Acts 2:42, we learn that the early disciples, *"...continued stedfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."* Thus teaching is a part of worship, as well as service to God. The Lord's Supper is another part of the worship service. The early Christians understood that the Lord's Supper is a part of the worship service. Furthermore, early Christians understood the Lord's Supper was to be observed upon the first day of every week in their regular worship-*(Acts 20:7)*. The elements of the Lord's Supper are unleavened bread and the fruit of the vine-*(Matt. 26:26-29)*. Singing is another part of worship *(Eph.5:19; Col.3:16; & Heb. 13: 15)*. The use of instrumental music in worship among denominational people is almost universally accepted. So, when a person visits a congregation of the Church of Christ, the non-presence of a piano, organ and other instruments is immediately recognized and they wonder, "Why?" There are three basic reasons why we are NOT to use instrumental music in worship. 1. There is NOT one command for its use in the entire New Testament! 2. There is NOT one example in the entire New Testament of a congregation using instrumental music in worship! 3. There is NOT one inference in the entire New Testament giving authority for its use in worship! Since Christ did not command instrumental music in worship, no apostle sanctioned it, and no support can be found for its use it in worship; to us it is going beyond that which is written and is adding to the word of God *(Rev 22:18, 19; and Prov. 30: 5, 6)*! The fifth act of worship is the giving of our means as we have been prospered every Lord's Day *(1 Cor. 16: 1-2)*.

Thankful people would worship wholeheartedly and acceptably unto God. Christians show their honor by genuine and true worship. Anything that exceeds God word is unacceptable, dishonest, vain, and lacks reverence for God!

Brother Petties

From the Desk of Dan Carter

WE CAN NEVER REPAY

Remember when you could send a post card for three cents? I Can! See how old your preacher is? I also remember penny bubble-gum and nickel soda-pop!

The other day, I went to buy some stamps...couldn't believe how expensive they have become. What would our fore-parents think? Things just keep going up and up. What was that cry of our fore-fathers: "Taxation Without Representation!" Well, I better not get too political, I might be reported.

Often, I recall the words of Psalm 116:12: *"What can I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?"* There is no way, we could ever repay the debt we owe. Just like that old song: "He Paid The Debt I Could Not Pay. My Lord Paid It All!" Thank you, O, Lord, For Loving Me. I Love You With All My Heart!

So, often times, we want to raise our contribution, and that is good, but, do you realize whose the money is, anyway? Look at this: *"The gold and silver is mine, says the Lord"*-Haggai 2:8. Here is another verse: *"For every beast is mine, and cattle on a thousand hills"*-Psalm 50:10. How about that? It is His, already! We are simply stewards of what belongs to God! When I give my contribution, it is a wonderful thing--but, we are only giving back what He has given us! Oh, My, How Great Is Our God!

Recall when God made man, He said: *"Let man have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, over the cattle, and over all the earth"*-Genesis 1:26. What wonders God placed into the care of man. Man, of course, as you know, made a mess of things, as we so often do.

Today, instead of the Lion being subjected to man and obeying, he will devour man, if he gets the chance. Can you imagine, if sin had not entered the world-we could have the Great White's as pets!

I am sure you see the point. We have real problems. We have hurt others, and others, have hurt us. Cain killed his own brother! Children have killed their parents. Parents kill their children! We even have those who

want to kill the child while it is in the womb! Now, even after it is born, some still advocate, killing!

What has happened to us? Remember, the devil, is walking among us, as a roaring Lion (I Peter 5:8).

In the name of common sense, why can't we just turn to God in true repentance and bow before Him acknowledging our sin, and be free in Christ?

We have the promise from God. There is no point in groping in darkness. There is no sane reason to deny Him. He paid the price--why doesn't man respond?



New Testament Chapter Study

New Testament

Day 60- 3 John, Jude, Rev 1-2

Day 61- Rev 3-6

Day 62- Rev 7-10

Day 64- Rev 15 -18

Day 65- Rev 19- 22

Old Testament

Day 66- Gen 1-4

Day 67- Gen 5-8

Day 68- Gen 9-12

Day 69- Gen 13-16

Day 70- Gen 17-20

Day 71- Gen 21-24

Day 72- Gen 25-28

Day 73- Gen 29-32

Day 74- Gen 33-37

Day 75- Gen 38-41

Day 76- Gen 41-44

Day 77- Gen 45-48

Memory verses for May 5 (recite or write):

Advanced- Matt 1:21-23

Beginner- John 14:6

*If you would like to join the forum to ask questions, share insights, or to receive encouragement, please see Gaylen or Nichole Williams.

**God's Grace is Sufficient
AM Sermon - Boyce Edwards**

**THOSE TO SERVE THE WEEK OF
APRIL 28, 2019:**

I. Introductory remarks

PARKING LOT DUTY: TAY HIGHTOWER

HALL MONITOR: ROGER DEEM

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR APRIL:
PATRICK SELLERS

II. General observations from II Corinthians 12:1-10.

AUDIO/VIDEO SYSTEMS FOR MAY: JACOB BRYANT

ANNOUNCEMENTS: DENNIS MARLER

SONG DIRECTOR: TYLER CUTTS

III. CLOSE

COMMUNION:

(NORTH) LEE FISHER, PAUL PORTLEY
RUFAS BROWN, NATHAN BURTON JR.

(SOUTH) MARVIN FLETCHER, TREVOR HEILMAN
CHARLES CULVER, KINGSFORD ASARE

SCRIPTURE READING: JACOB BRYANT



**Exegesis of I Peter 5:5-12
PM Sermon - Boyce Edwards**

PICK UP CARDS:

BO & COOPER BRYANT

I. The backdrop for I Peter is severe persecution!

PRAYERS:

(A.M.) ANDRE PETTAWAY, BRUCE BROWN
(P.M.) ZACK PETTIES, DAN CARTER

NURSERY ATTENDANTS (A.M.):

SANDRA MARLER & BRENDA SELLERS

EVENING SONG DIRECTOR: GAYLEN WILLIAMS

EVENING COMMUNION:

MARVIN FLETCHER & JIM DUKES

II. Exegesis of the passages

WEDNESDAY SONG LEADER (SINGING NIGHT):

PAUL PORTLEY

WEDNESDAY PRAYER: DENNIS MARLER

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR APRIL:

KITTY KACIR

PREPARE COMMUNION FOR MAY:

VICTORIA POLANCO

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

MILITARY & CIVILIANS OVERSEAS: Please keep Tim Matter and his family in your prayers for strength as he continues his Christian walk while working overseas and trying to find a new position stateside.

OUR SICK: Al Wilson is recovering from hip replacement surgery on Wednesday. Please keep him in your prayers.

-Please keep Trudy's daughter, Trudy's, friend's great-nephew, Jay in your prayers, who has liver failure and is not expected to live.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Gail Mende's son (Eric) & friend (Sue Worshim), Kathy Edwards, Brooke Bailey, Donna Hines's friend's granddaughter (3 year-old Kylie Pruitt), Martha Bell, Desiree Burton's father, Brenda Sellers' mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, Carla Heginbotham's sister (Eileen Olson), former member, Merlene Stoker, Freddie Lee Saffor, Jim Dukes's sister (Marie Sessions) and nephew, Doris Edwards, Linda Moore's niece, Skip & Tina Pallo, Tanja, Tiffany, & Natasha Arch, Diane Holubec, Natalie Fisher's mother, Rikki Martin's grandmother, War Mobley's sister, Gaylen Williams' co-worker (Cynthia), Tyler Cutts' grandfather, Julie Odum, Jean Basco, James Garner & his wife (Tammy), Billye Hughes, Dora Ray Chanslor, Willard Dunn, Heather Heilman's co-worker's son (Jordan Davis), Archie & Jessi Turner, Mary Ann Culp, former members (Gene and Penny Fogle), William Odum's father & uncle, David Shilling, Judy Wall's sister-in-law (Gail Scott) & brother (Don Scott), Lois Brown, Alice Allison, Garnie & Nada Miller, Trudy Perrault's family, Linda Walts, John Llewellyn's sister (Janet Schleyer), Sybil Cason, former members (Jonathan Simmons Sr., Jr., & Janet Simmons), and Shirl Foster. Please keep these members and loved ones in your prayers as they battle health problems.

SYMPATHY: We wish to extend our sympathy to David Shilling on the passing of his cousin, Dorrace Poe, who died this past Thursday in Houston. Please keep this family in your prayers.

VISITATION TEAMS: Visitation Team #4 will meet with their leader, Derrel Heginbotham, today, to get their visitation assignments. Derrel & Carla Heginbotham, Lee & Natalie Fisher, Roger & Linda Deem, Dan Carter, Angela Thomas, and Martha Bell.

FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK LUNCHEON: We will have our monthly Fellowship Potluck Luncheon on Sunday, May 5, following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring casseroles, meat dishes, vegetables, and desserts. Kitchen Group #2 will have kitchen duties (Judy Wall, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Betty Knight, Dennis & Sandra Marler, & Josephine Spear).

LADIES SAVE THE DATE: The ladies will host a Ladies Retreat at the Nolanville Campgrounds on Saturday, May 18, starting at 9:30 am. Our guest speaker is Joyce Brown. Area congregations have been invited as well. This is a potluck! Please sign up on the Ladies Bulletin Board in the south hallway with your favorite dish. There is also a sign-up sheet for ladies who would like to lead singing or lead a prayer.

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual Gospel Meeting will be held from June 9-June 12. Our guest speaker will be Tom Moore, from the Park Heights church of Christ in Hamilton, Texas.

SIGN UP FOR YARD WORK: We invite our members to sign up to help with the yard work. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the south foyer.

WELCOME!
**Our speaker for today is Boyce Edwards.*

Please fill out an Attendance Card and pass it to the inner aisle so we may have a record of your attendance.

Thank You!

BIBLE STUDIES AND COUNSELING OFFERED

- ⇒ Bible Studies With One Of Our Preachers Or Elders
- ⇒ Free Bible Correspondence
- ⇒ Free Marriage And Family Counseling

To our visitors—Thanks for being with us today, and please come again!

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☪APRIL☪

28-Cherokee Drive ends.

☪MAY☪

4-Men's Breakfast at 8:30 am, at the Killeen, Golden Corral.

5-Fellowship Luncheon following the morning service. Kitchen Group #2 will have kitchen duties (Judy Wall, Linda Deem, Cheryl Flores, Betty Knight, Dennis & Sandra Marler, & Josephine Spear).

5-Drive for homeless begins. We will be collecting new socks, underwear, and cleaning supplies for local homeless shelters.

18-Ladies Potluck Retreat at the Campgrounds starting at 9:30.