

Church of Christ

Florence

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Schedule of Services

Bible Class	9:30 am
Worship	10:30 am
Evening Worship	6:00 pm
Wednesday Class	7:00 pm

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FROM THE ELDERS

Due to safety concerns
The church doors will be locked
10 minutes after the beginning of service.

Someone will be stationed in the foyer
to allow admittance to latecomers.

The Impact of Our Choices

by Dennis Stackhouse

Just prior to his physical death, Joshua tried to encourage the people of Israel with these familiar words: "If it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served which were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15). Strong words from one of Israel's strongest leaders. And in reality, choosing to serve God is the most important choice any human being can ever make because that decision will have an impact not only in this physical life, it will also carry over into eternity. Let's consider for a just a few moments the choice that must be made by all of us.

One point to quickly understand is that our choices are rather limited: God or the devil. In Matthew 12:30 Jesus said this: "He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters." Many people fail to realize that if they have not made a choice to follow and serve Christ, they are serving the devil. To not make the choice to follow Christ is in reality making the choice to follow the devil. In fact, such people are doing damage to God's kingdom. Notice our Lord said that the one who does not follow Him "scatters." From this we must also understand that there is no third choice. There are those who would like to "ride the fence" and walk in some kind of imaginary middle ground. Unfortunately, there is no middle ground; we are following Christ or we are following Satan.

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The Church you read about in the Bible

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We should also realize that our choice to follow Christ is one that must be actively pursued. Jesus Himself asked a haunting question in Luke 6:46: "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?" The obvious course of action for someone who has confessed Jesus as their Lord is to obey and follow and serve Him through the remainder of their life. However, if one confesses Christ as his or her Lord and then fails to obey Him, they are simply wasting their breath. This is reinforced in the words of Luke 9:62, where Jesus said: "No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." The Christian life is one that requires a constant, unwavering dedication to God and Christ. The apostle Paul put it this way: "Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:13-14).

The impact of his choice to become a Christian caused Paul to press toward the goal of heaven, something that every child of God should be doing. The grand words of I Corinthians 15:58 need to be words the Christian lives out: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord." God will not forget the work that is done in His service (Hebrews 6:10). In the same way, we must never forget the impact our choices have on the kind of life we live. As Christians, we must be steadfast.

I Choose To Be a Christian

The Erwins

I was taught the scriptures, before I could read them
I found them to be true, that's why I believe them
With all of my heart, my soul, and my strength
With every song I sing

I choose to be a Christian, I will follow Christ
Carry the cross that leads to light
I will be true, stand for my convictions
Whatever others do, I choose to be a Christian

As this world grows darker, my lamp will be burning
Kindled with love for the one who is worthy
He gave his all, so I will give mine
I'll lay my life on the line

I choose to be a Christian, I will follow Christ
Carry the cross that leads to light
I will be true, stand for my convictions
Whatever others do, I choose to be a Christian

I will be bold
Unashamed of the gospel of his name

I choose to be a Christian, I will follow Christ
Carry the cross that leads to light
I will be true, stand for my convictions
Whatever others do, I choose to be a Christian

Collecting For Those In Need

The Emergency Shelter of NKY items needed:

(Men's Shelter)

- **SOCKS**
- Men's Jeans
- Men's Sweatshirts
- Men's and Women's Sweatpants
- Underwear (New)

There is a sign-up sheet for those interested in helping at the shelter.

Benevolence Pantry items needed:

- Canned Goods
- Fruit
- Vegetables
- Meat
- Milk
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Ramen Noodles
- Juice Packs
- Baby Formula & Food

Lads to Leaders

Team A and B meet today

That's Not My Job

This is a story about 4 people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have.

There's always work to be done in the church. I asked, "Why doesn't somebody do something?"...and then I realized, I was somebody! -Anonymous

Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday Evenings

7:00-8:00

We will begin in Genesis

For more information

Please see Teddi Budy

Please check the prayer list and let me know of any updates.

Thank you.-Nita

To ensure accuracy of announcements and prayer requests please fill out a gold or blue form and turn in to the office by Wednesday.

Prayer List

Nathan House mission in Guatemala

Allison Mayfield

Kim Brannon, Stacey Brown's Aunt, testing and transplant

JD Martin fell

Caleb Robbins

Astin Vick and daughter Emerson Emerson was born 2 months early

Norma Beckett, Megan Beckett's grandmother, heart issues

Malakai Martin

Barbra Thompson health issues

Rachel Dooley recovering from accident

Rachel Wilson, Leah Robbins' ballet teacher, passing out

Candice and Raelynn, friend of Cassi Lemay

Eunice Chumbley

Roy & June Pugh

Alexis Aiken, Joyce Bewley's Great Granddaughter,

Bowen Becker, Bob Becker's grandson, heart problems

Cindy Walker health issues

Our Elders

Our Nation's Leaders

Our Military Personnel

Our Police, Emergency and Healthcare Personnel

The Churches of Christ around the world

All those traveling

The Emergency Shelter

The Creation Museum and Ark Encounter

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones

Those with cancer and their families

Libby McDonald Dennis Blundell Margie Koons

Randy Williams Desirae Wilson Janice Gallagher

Gary Burke Dwight Lowerg Kay Shinc

Jim Kennedy Layla Adkins Jim McCarthy

Kristen Shaw Ayden Egan Donnice Palmer

Donna Farrar Peggy Davis Mike Lohman

Lorraine Starr Gwen Miller Lindy Blankenbuehler

Tammy Palmer Chad Fischer Buddy Webb

Ashley Pike Debbie Hellman Lois Stroub

Theresa Falukner Nancy Lambert Ruth Phelps

Mike Lowe Steve Dobson Serena

Debra Bullock Sharon Graff December Vosquez

Will Rogers Mrs. Zeph

Our shut-ins and those caring for them

Joyce Tingle Chuck Gambil

Eveline Lanham Dessie Hacker

"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are attentive to their prayer" 1 Peter 3:12

Serving in AM Worship

	April 9	April 16
Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Jerry Gorman	Randy Johnson
Song Leader	Dale Franklin	Jesse Black
Communion	Art Green	TBA
Serve	Dan Brown	Dan Brown
Serve	Kyle Strasser	Kyle Strasser
Serve	Bobby Lemay	Bobby Lemay
Serve	Wyatt Robbins	Wyatt Robbins
Serve	Mark Walker	Mark Walker
Serve	Steve Thomas	Steve Thomas
Scripture Reading	Jesse Black	Jerry Gorman
<i>1 Corinthians 15: 56058</i>		
Sermon	Bruce House	Carl Power
<i>I Am Resolved</i>		
Closing Prayer	Bob Warmack	Art Green

Serving in PM Worship

Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Mark Walker	Matthew Hallmark
Song Leader	Dale Franklin	Jesse Black
Communion	Art Green	TBA
Invitation	Carl Power	Bruce House
Closing Prayer	Tom Grindstaff	Art Green

Wednesday

	April 12	April 19
Song Leader	Matthew Hallmark	Robert Budy
Invitation	Bruce House	Jerry Gorman
Closing Prayer	Dave Moster	Art Green
Announcements	Art Green	Art Green

Communion Prep

April	Nancy Prater
May	Gormans

Greeters

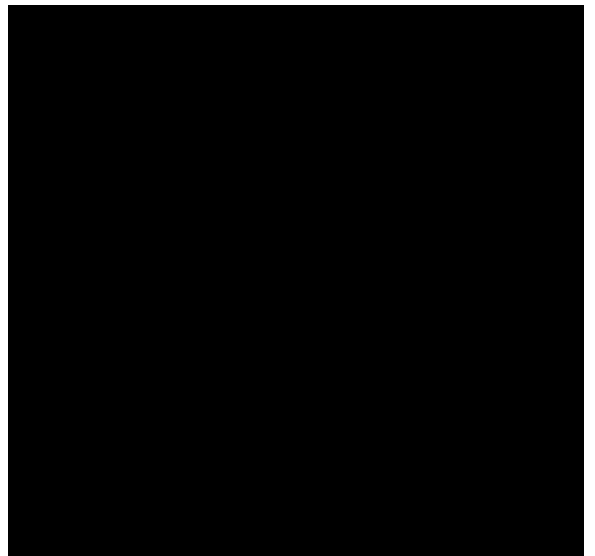
April	Blacks
May	Greeters Needed

*Serve
wholeheartedly, as
if you were serving
the Lord, not men.
Ephesians 6:7*



Mark Your Calendar

Apr	9	Lads to Leaders Team A and B
Apr	14-16	Lads to Leaders Convention
Apr	17	<i>Relax, you've got a whole year until next Lads to Leaders Convention! :)</i>
Apr	23	Potluck Theme: Chicken
May	13	Shelter Meal
May	28	Potluck Theme: Summer Kick Off



Deacons

Jesse Black	<i>Children's Education/ Fellowships</i>
Matthew Hallmark	<i>Building Maintenance</i>
Wyatt Robbins	<i>Youth and as needed</i>

Coordinators

Jerry Gorman	<i>Prime Timers</i>
Dave Moster	<i>Worship Service/ Duty Roster</i>

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