

# Church of Christ

# Florence

October 23, 2016

## Elders

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## Deacons

*Jesse Black*  
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## Minister

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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 Hope That Sustains

By Mike Riley

Life is full of challenges that we must sooner or later face. The storms that often-times rage about us, come at us for a reason (Romans 8:28,35-39). Note that in making a finished wood product, sandpaper is used in order to sand down the rough surface, making it smooth for varnishing. Trials and tribulations are the sandpaper that God uses to smooth out the rough surfaces of our lives (1 Peter 1:5-7; 1 Peter 4:12-16; cf. James 1:3), making them more conformable to His will (Matthew 7:21; Romans 6:16-18).

Hope sustains and provides us the reason to continue the most difficult of tasks in life. Whatever kind of adversity or challenge we might face, with hope in the Lord and His promises, these adversities and challenges can be conquered — and in the end, make us stronger for having faced them (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

As Christians who are “in Christ” (Gal. 3:26-27), we can rejoice, for “Christ is our hope” (1 Timothy 1:1; cf. Colossians 1:27). We have this hope because as He was resurrected from the grave (Matthew 28:1-7; cf. 1 Corinthians 15:20; 1 Peter 1:3), so we also will be resurrected (1 Corinthians 15:22-23; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; cf. John 11:23-26,39-44).

Because of our hope that sustains us “in Christ,” we can confidently sing, “My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.”

The hope that worldly people place their trust in, is a misplaced and non-sustaining hope (Ephesians 2:12; 1 Thessalonians 4:13), a hope of desperation — one that will bring condemnation to their souls (contrast Mark 16:16 — “condemned” with Romans 8:1 — “no condemnation”).

Brethren, let us place our continued trust in the hope that sustains — that hope that is firmly based on the promises of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ (2 Peter 1:1-4) and God, our heavenly Father (2 Corinthians 6:16-18;7:1).

*The Church you read about in the Bible*

## *The Plan of Salvation*

### 'What Must I do to be saved?'

This is the question that every man and woman must answer in their lives if they hope to spend eternity with God in Heaven. The apostle Paul says, in [Phil 2:12](#), to those of the church in Philippi,

*"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling."*

Thus, we understand that it is our own responsibility to answer the question, "What we must do to be saved?" No one else can answer that question for us, nor can we trust others with this, most important, decision. We must seek our answer from God and His Word.

### God's Plan of Salvation

#### GOD'S PART

1. The great love of God for man ([John 3:16](#))
2. He gave His Son, Jesus Christ, as the Savior ([Luke 19:10](#))
3. Sent the Holy Spirit as a guide ([John 16:13](#))
4. Gave the Gospel as "the power" unto salvation ([Romans 1:16](#))
5. Provided atonement by the blood of Christ ([Romans 5:9](#))

#### MAN'S PART

1. Hear the Gospel. ([Romans 10:17](#), [John 8:32](#))
2. Believe the Gospel ([Hebrews 11:6](#), [John 20:31](#))
3. Repent of past sins ([Luke 13:3](#), [Acts 17:30](#))
4. Confess faith in Jesus Christ ([Romans 10:10](#), [Matthew 10:32](#))
5. Be Baptized ([Galatians 3:27](#), [Mark 16:16](#), [Acts 2:38](#))
6. Be faithful unto death ([Revelations 2:10](#))

**God has done His part; will you do yours?**

If you have any questions about salvation, are interested in a Bible study, or would like more information about the Church of Christ please contact one of the Elders or the Minister.



Tonight at 7:00  
Following Evening Service

Chili Cook-off and Scary Dessert Contest

We ask that everyone  
Wait until after services  
To put on costumes.  
Thank You



## 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

## From the Elders

We are updating the prayer list for the bulletin and our monthly Men's Prayer Session. If there is someone you would like placed on the list please fill out one of the request forms located in the foyer and give it to Robert Budy or Art Green.

### *Senior Luncheon*

November 3rd  
10:30 am  
Fellowship Hall

The Annual Seniors Luncheon is almost here. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway for anyone willing to bring dishes for this event.

For more information please see Sue Gorman.

### Moving

Clarence Major is moving to Woodcrest Nursing Home.

### Centurions of Scripture

We would like to challenge the entire congregation to memorize 100 scriptures. Our youth do this as a part of the Lads to Leaders program. We ask that you do this with your family. We will be putting two scriptures in the bulletin each week.

This week's scriptures to memorize are:

Psalms 119: 57-58

57. You are my portion, O Lord;

I have said that I would keep Your words.

58. I entreated Your favor with my whole heart;

Be merciful to me according to Your word.

**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*

**Eunice Chumbly** knee replacement surgery  
**Jim Gilpan**, friend of Clint Green, heart attack  
**Russel House**, Bruce House's father, Parkinson's  
**June Pugh**  
**Osvaldo Bonaga**, friend of Vicky Robinson, cancer and heart problems  
**Alexis Aiken**, Joyce Bewley's Great Granddaughter,  
**Nancy Noojin**, Karen Brown's cousin, health issues  
**Bowen Becker**, Bob Becker's grandson, heart problems  
**Stacie Grindstaff**  
**Peggy Harber**, Bob Warmack's cousin, on life support  
**Bobby Dawson** Teddi Budy's nephew  
**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 Experience**  
**Those who have lost loved ones**

### **Those with cancer and their families**

Osvaldo Bonaga	Dennis Blundell	Margie Koons
Randy Williams	Desirae Wilson	Janice Gallagher
Gary Burke	Dwight Lowerg	Kay Shinck
Jim Kennedy	Layla Adkins	Jim McCarthy
Kristen Shaw	Ayden Egan	Donnice Palmer
Shari Caton	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
Cale Thomas	Donna Farrar	

### **Our shut-ins and those caring for them**

Clarence Major	Chuck Gambil
Eveline Lanham	Dessie Hacker
Joyce Tingle	

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

Please check the prayer list and let me know of any updates.  
Thank you.-Nita

## Serving in AM Worship

	<b>October 23</b>	<b>October 30</b>
Announcements	Bill Morgan	Bill Morgan
Opening Prayer	Jesse Black	Mark Walker
Song Leader	Carl Power	Matthew Hallmark
Communion	Robert Budy	Clint Green
Serve	Bobby Lemay	Bobby Lemay
Serve	Tom Grindstaff	Tom Grindstaff
Serve	Mark Walker	Mark Walker
Serve	Daniel House	Daniel House
Serve	Wyatt Robbins	Wyatt Robbins
Serve	Dave Moster	Dave Moster
Scripture Reading <i>Psalm 27: 13-14</i>	Randy Johnson	Dave Moster
Sermon <i>Hope When Life Seems Hopeless</i>	Bruce House	Bruce House
Closing Prayer	Clint Green	Randy Johnson

## Sunday 10/23

Sunday Night      Invitation  
Bruce House

## Wednesday 10/26

Invitation      Jesse Black  
Announcements      Art Green

## Communion

October      Naiome House  
November      Stacey Brown

## Greeters

October      Cindy Presnell  
November      Ruth Schindler



<b>Oct</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Potluck and Trunk or Treat Following PM Service</b>
Nov	3	Prime Timers' Luncheon
Nov	5	Lads to Leaders Individual Scrapbook
Nov	6	Men's Prayer Session
Nov	11	Bible Bowl Meeting
Nov	12	Shelter Meal
Nov	19	Lads to Leaders Group Scrapbook
Nov	20	Lads to Leaders Team A
Nov	27	Potluck <i>Theme Soup</i>
Nov	27	Lads to Leaders Team B

## Deacons

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

## Coordinators

Jerry Gorman      *Prime Timers*  
Dave Moster      *Worship Service/  
Duty Roster*

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