

To know HIM and to make HIM known



# Heart Beat

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## Service Times

### Sunday:

Coffee & Fellowship..... 9:45 am  
Adult Bible Class..... 10:00 am  
Worship Service ..... 11:00 am

### LifeGroups

Denham..... 5:30 pm  
Reynolds..... 6:00 pm  
Morris..... 5:00 pm

### Wednesday:

Bible Study..... 6:00 pm

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## ARE YOU A THERMOMETER OR A THERMOSTAT?

Are you a thermometer or a thermostat? What's the difference between the two? A thermometer tells the temperature. A thermostat regulates the temperature. A thermometer only has the power to describe the current condition. A thermostat has the power to change the current condition.

I heard this illustration being used on the radio a while back. I only caught the tail end of the talk, so I am unsure who was talking nor did I hear all that was said. However, I did catch the general idea. That idea was this: As Christians we have two options. We can choose to be a thermometer and simply recognize our situation but do nothing about it. The other option is to be a thermostat. We can choose not to be defined by our circumstances; but rather, resolve to make the changes we can make to better our circumstances.

I want to make a similar point. We live in a lost world. We can look all around us and find things that are not pleasing to God. We can find people (ourselves included) that are living in ways they shouldn't be living. And we can approach a lost world in two different ways.

The first option is to moan and complain about where things are headed. That is exactly what a "Thermometer Christian" will do. A "Thermometer Christian" will recognize the current situation of the world around them and complain about it. They will inform everyone around them of what the world is coming to while they sit back and do nothing about it. It's as if they are powerless.

The other option is to recognize the lostness of the world and do something to change it. That is exactly what a "Thermostat Christian" will do. A "Thermostat Christian" is aware of the current condition of the world around them, but will take steps to do something to change it.

When Christ came to this world, He said that He came "to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10). Jesus didn't come just to seek the lost, but also to save them. He didn't come just to tell the world of their situation, but also to change it. Now, Jesus calls us to do the same.

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**PRIVILEGED TO SERVE**

**MORNING ASSEMBLY**

February 16, 2020

- Front Greeter:** Kara McNeely
- Usher:** Tom McNeely
- Worship Leaders:** Carson Henley
- Scripture Reading/Prayer:** Alex Guerra
- Communion Preside:** Steve Samples
- Serve East:** Richard Wagner  
Lucas Barber
- Serve West:** Paul Cantrell  
Doug Hartley
- Contribution Tally:** C & S Denham
- Sound Booth:** Matt Barber
- PowerPoint:** Jane Barber

**WEDNESDAY EVENING**

**February 12      February 19**

- Usher:** Richard Wagner      Tom McNeely
- Prayer:** Richard Walker      Bill Reynolds
- Sound Booth:** Tom McNeely      Paul Estep

**Communion Preparation & Garments:**  
Bianca Williams

*If you cannot serve as scheduled,  
please contact Tom McNeely at 304-346-5212.*

**ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION**

**Attendance**

Bible Class .....	67
Worship.....	106
Wednesday .....	

  

<b>Collection Plate .....</b>	<b>\$2,072.44</b>
Online .....	\$100.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$2,1072.44</b>

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

- **Our church group travelling to Gatlinburg, Tennessee, for Winterfest, 2/14—2/16**
- **Tara Tackett**, recovering from leg surgery
- **Paulette Clawson**, (Sharon Ramey's sister), critically ill with cancer
- **Sarah Newhouse**, (Goldie's niece), health issues
- **Charlie and Jeanie Weaver**, Rachel's parents, declining health



Our members serving in the military: **Isaiah Collier, Allen Hartley and David Hartley, Torin and Heather Samples**

**Mary Spence, Vera Taylor, Angela Derreberry, family of Kim King, the Sharp Family, Joe Riley, Donna McNeely, Steve Fox, Charlie & Dora Mynes, Lanny Markland**

**ARTICLE CONTINUED**

In the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15), Jesus calls us to “proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.” The Gospel is the “good news” that Jesus died to save us from our sins. The Gospel is not that we are lost in sin, but that we have been saved from our sins through Jesus Christ. We can be “Thermometer Christians” and complain about the condition of a world lost to sin. Or, we can be “Thermostat Christians” that share the Gospel of how to be saved from that sin and live under new conditions.

Be a thermostat. Change the world. Share the Gospel.

Love you all!  
Stephen

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- February 14      Winterfest**
- February 23      Area Wide Youth Night**  
26th Street Church of Christ
- February 25      20th Anniversary**  
**KC Book Club**  
*The Wife Between Us* by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen
- February 27      YAHB, 10:00 am**
- March 3            Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm**
- March 6            Sissonville Annual Sing 7-9:00 pm**  
Sissonville CofC

**SMOKE DETECTORS**

A note from our elders: For your information and consideration. There are four new co/smoke detectors in the building. They are located in the left- and right-side furnace rooms at the front of the auditorium, one at the entry hall to room 17, and one in the kitchen.



Please take a few minutes to locate the emergency exits. Also, plan and discuss where you would meet your family/friends in the event of an emergency evacuation. Let's help everyone be safe.

**TAX TIME**



It's that time of year! If you need a printout of your contributions for 2019, you can print out a copy through CCB or you can contact the office and we'll print one for you.

**LIFEGROUP INFORMATION**

- **Chuck and Shirley Denham**  
5:30-6:30 pm at the building.  
Serving communion.
- **Chris and Renee Morris**  
5:00-7:00 pm, See Chris or Renee for location.
- **Bill and Darlena Reynolds**  
6:00-8:00 pm Sunday at various locations

*Join a LifeGroup! They are open to everyone; feel free to try them all!*



Dora Mynes	02/08
Cinda Rinard	02/14
Grace Wagner	02/14
Mary Spence	02/17
Myrna Parker	02/18
Grayson Johnson	02/19
Hayden Johnson	02/19
Theron Denson	02/21
Chris Morris	02/25
Will Kuhns	02/28



George & Annette Breckenridge	02/06
Alex & Debbie Derenburger	02/19

*Did we miss a special day? Contact office@kccofc.org*