

To know HIM and to make HIM known



Heart Beat

Weekly Newsletter of the Kanawha City Church of Christ

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Service Times

Sunday:

Bible Study.....9:45 am
Worship.....10:45 am

Hannigan LifeGroup.....5:30 pm
Denham LifeGroup.....5:30 pm
Reynolds LifeGroup.....6:00 pm
Morris LifeGroup.....
5:00pm on the 1st and 3rd Sunday

Wednesday:

Bible Study.....7-8:00pm

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A LITTLE EXTRA EFFORT

I went rock climbing for the first time this week. My boss goes a few times a week and invited me along, so I figured why not. I soon discovered that it would not be my last time there. I loved every minute of it. It was a new challenge. It works muscles and parts of your body that you forget even exist. I quickly learned the easier lines up the wall and could climb them without a problem. Then, I moved onto the next difficulty of lines. Not so easy. As I watched the experienced climbers scale up that line effortlessly, I kept thinking "that looks easy enough." I must have tried that line 15 times and never achieved it. I tried over and over, falling to the floor time and time again, but I never got discouraged about it. Instead, I kept getting more and more determined to overcome that challenge. As I failed the last time, my boss told me not to worry because the more I come the easier it will get.

As I was driving home I thought to myself, what if I tried as hard to be like Jesus as I did to climb that wall? What if each time I failed, it made me get up more determined than before rather than to give up? As Christians, it's much easier to just give up when the world shows us how hard it is to follow Jesus. When Satan knocks us down, it's a lot easier to stay down than to get up and fight back. However, each time we get back up it gets easier and it gets harder for Satan to knock us back down. When I finally climb to the top of that wall and defeat that challenge, it will be a great feeling of accomplishment. But that feeling is nothing compared to when we defeat Satan. The feeling of getting to the top of that wall cannot even begin to describe the feeling when we stand at the gates of Heaven. If we take even half the effort that we put towards receiving worldly goals and put that towards striving to be like Jesus, we would be absolutely shocked at the difference we would make in the world as a church.

*"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."
1 Peter 2:9*

This verse was the theme of Winterfest and I heard it again at the Unity Service this past Sunday. We are called to make a difference in the world. As His church, we are the only ones who can make that change. Put forth a little extra effort to be like Jesus. I guarantee the prize is worth it.

In Christian love,
Alex Ross

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

May 7, 2017

MORNING ASSEMBLY

Front Greeter: Jan Winnell
Usher: Doug Hartley
Worship Leader: Chris Morris
Opening Prayer: Joe Masker
Communion Preside: Raymond Beadnell
Serve East: Jamison Wilkinson
 Paul Cantrell
Serve West: Matt Barber
 Lucas Barber
Scripture Reading: Alex Derenburger
Closing Prayer: Steve Samples
Contribution Tally: H & R Kinder
Sound Booth: Steve Dale
 Assistant:
PowerPoint: Linda Hall
 Assistant:
Nursery: Kara McNeely
 Assistant: Telina Williams

WEDNESDAY EVENING

	May 3	May 10
Usher:	Richard Wagner	Tom McNeely
Song Leader:	Chuck Denham	Chuck Denham
Prayer:	Bill Reynolds	Bob Midkiff
Sound Booth:	Joe Masker	Paul Estep
Nursery:	Linda Johnson	Brenda Hannigan

Communion Preparation & Garments: Shirley Denham
March - Sunday Morning Breakfast Prep: Donna McNeely

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

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION

Attendance:
 Bible Class.....65
 Worship.....142
 Wednesday.....37
Contribution.....\$4,116.00
PHASE 2 Building Fund GOAL.....\$30,000.00
PHASE 2 Donations YTD.....\$10,662.36

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- **Those serving our country:**
David Hartley
Allen Hartley
Brandon McKinney
- **Betty Midkiff**
- **Katie Cobb**, 13 year old being treated for a recurrence of Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Her father is the pastor at River Ridge Church in Hurricane.
- **Jean Ann Hartley**, Doug Hartley's mother
- **Mary Spence** is recovering from a broken pelvis and could use a little encouragement. Please send Mary card and let her know you are thinking of her.
 NuVista Living
 19091 North Dale Mabry
 Room 223B
 Lutz, FL 33548
 Her phone number is: 813-751-0557
- **Robin Kidd**, Rita Robinson's sister
- **Lanny Markland**

LANNY MARKLAND

A home plan is in place for Lanny Markland and he should be released sometime within the next 2 weeks. His address will be, 616 1/2 Apt. B Main Street, Charleston, 25302. He wishes to stay in Charleston, West Virginia, so that he will have good influences from the Kanawha City Church of Christ. The only thing he will leave prison with is the clothes on his back and a few personal items. If you are able to donate anything to Lanny, it would be appreciated. **There is a needs list on CCB.**

Pants: 34 waist x 32 inseam.
Shirts: Large
Shoes: size 10
Physical Needs: household items, dishes, furniture (bed is taken care of), cleaning supplies, personal care items.

Please contact Joe or Janeen Masker if you can help in some way.

"I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." Matthew 25:36

DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 2 - Prayer Meeting, 6pm** at the church building.
- May 3 - Wednesday evening service, 7pm** Beginning THIS WEEK, May 3rd, Wednesday evening services will begin at 7:00pm and will end at 8:00pm. Please report directly to your class. Any important family news will be shared by the classroom facilitators and in our weekly newsletter.
- May 8 and 9 - Lifetouch Picture Days** We need everyone to participate!
- May 18 - Ladies Night Out, 6pm** at Mi Cocina de Amor Mexican Restaurant. Please RSVP to Amanda Talkington.
- May 18-20 - GUYS GETAWAY** at the Hannigan Cabin on the Greenbrier River near Hinton. Good fishing, canoeing, golf nearby, and fellowship. See Tom Hannigan for information or to RSVP.
- May 23 - Book Club, 7pm** at the home of Pat Hose. The book to read is *If Life Is A Bowl Of Cherries, What Am I Doing In The Pits?* by Erma Bombeck. Everyone is welcome!
- May 25 - Young At Heart Breakfast, 10am** at Cracker Barrel.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

I am very excited to have Lifetouch helping with the new church directory! I am also very thankful and encouraged that most people have signed up for their portrait session!! **This is the LAST WEEK to schedule your portrait session!** Lifetouch will be at the building to take pictures next Monday and Tuesday, May 8th and 9th.

Unfortunately, I **cannot** use pictures from the previous directory. If you absolutely can't make it for picture days on May 8th and 9th, please make arrangements to get me a recent picture to be included in the new directory. Lifetouch charges us \$10 per picture submitted.

I would be happy to help you schedule your appointment, please give me a call today! Thank you!
 Amy Kuhns, 304-545-7908.



LIFEGROUP INFORMATION

- **Chuck and Shirley Denham**
 5:30-6:30pm Sunday in room 17 at the building. Studying a video series called *Reformation Dramas*.
- **Tom and Brenda Hannigan**
 5:30-7:30pm Sunday in their home. Studying *He Chose The Nails* by Max Lucado.
- **Chris and Renee Morris**
 5:00-7:00pm (1st & 3rd Sundays) in their home. Studying *The Best Question Ever* by Andy Stanley.
- **Bill and Darlena Reynolds**
 6:00-8:00pm Sunday in their home. Studying *Not A Fan* by Kyle Idleman.

LifeGroups are open to everyone, come anytime!
Feel free to try them all!

BIRTHDAYS

Connie Postle 5/5
 Alex Derenburger 5/7



FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry at our church feeds those in our congregation and community. If you can help stock it, here are some items that are currently needed:

- Canned Meat**
- Regular Peanut Butter**
- Jelly/Jam**
- Vegetable Soup / Beef Stew**
- Canned Fruit**
- Easy Mac Macaroni & Cheese.**



Food Pantry Donations Needed