

To know HIM and to make HIM known



Heart Beat

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Service Times

Sunday:

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

LifeGroups

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

Wednesday:

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

Weekly Newsletter of the Kanawha City Church of Christ

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU PRAY FOR

Recently, I had a situation that reminded me of the truth of “Be careful what you ask for.” I was working through something that I knew could have some moments of discouragement. So, I prayed to God and said, “God, please give me the strength to overcome any discouragement that might come my way.”

It was about ten minutes later and the thing that I thought might happen, happened. At first, I was almost mad. I thought, “God, why did you allow this to happen? I didn’t want this to happen.” Then, I realized my mistake; and the only thing I could think to do was laugh at God’s sense of humor.

I had asked God for “strength” to overcome. What I had really wanted was for God to just make sure the discouragement never came. I thought God had not given me what I asked for. Instead, God gave me EXACTLY what I asked for. That is the funny thing about strength, we only develop strength to do something by doing it. If I want the strength to lift heavy weight, I have to train myself by... lifting weights. Strength to do something comes in the practice of doing that thing.

I did not ask God to remove the discouragement. I asked God for strength to overcome the discouragement. I did not think it through. The only way for God to give me strength was to train me to develop the strength by letting me encounter some discouragement. Once I realized that, I actually overcame the discouragement pretty easily. Realizing God’s humor as well as realizing God was listening, gave me exactly what I needed to overcome the discouragement. It gave me strength. It also helped me realize that, going through this helped me to grow. If God would have given me what I intended rather than what I had asked, I would not have experienced growth; and I would have been even more unprepared to face discouragement in the future.

So, I think there were two lessons in this experience. One: Growth in our Christian lives is going to require us to endure the training that comes in the difficult times. Two: Be careful what you pray for. Christ said, “Ask, and it WILL be given to you... For everyone who asks RECEIVES...” - (Matthew 7:7-8)

Love you all!
Stephen

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MORNING ASSEMBLY

October 28, 2018

Front Greeter: Emily Scyoc
Usher: Tom McNeely
Worship Leader: Tom Hannigan
Opening Prayer: Bill Reynolds
Communion Preside: Richard Walker
Serve East: Jamison Wilkinson
 Chris Morris
 Lucas Barber
 Herb Kinder
Serve West: Duane Scyoc
Scripture Reading: Joe Riley
Closing Prayer: C & S Denham
Contribution Tally: Matt Barber
Sound Booth: Carson Henley
PowerPoint: Goldie Jackson
Nursery: Trinity Stephenson
 Assistant:

WEDNESDAY EVENING

	October 24	October 31
Usher:	Bill Reynolds	Chris Morris
Prayer:	Tom McNeely	Richard Wagner
Sound Booth:	Paul Estep	Tom McNeely

Communion Preparation & Garments:
 Linda Johnson

Sunday Morning Children's Breakfast Prep:
 Volunteer Needed

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

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION

Attendance

Bible Class.....	67
Worship.....	115
Wednesday.....	39

Contribution.....\$3,500.77

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- **Paul Estep** and family in the passing of our beloved sister in Christ, Ann Estep.
- As part of our Chamberlain Elementary School Outreach, we asked the Principal to let us know how we could pray for the school, her reply was to please be praying for the students from broken homes that are struggling; and also for the teachers who are currently struggling with health problems. Let's lift them up to God.
- **Tori Guerra** and her sister, **Sarah Ball**, were baptized on Sunday, October 7th! Praise God!
- **Betsy Keene**, recovering from surgery.
- **Frank Javins**, CAMC General
- **Amanda Talkington**
- **Lanny Markland, Evan Raynes, Linda Mullens, Grace Wagner, Steve Fox, Ellen Thompson, Lydia Brown, Erica Wade, Mary Spence, Renee Madsen, Peggy Bayes, Silvia Soza, Betty Dolin, Glenna Shafer, April Stewart, Doug Midkiff, Julie Farley, Alan Newhouse**

READ THE BIBLE

If you've fallen behind, no worries... start here and continue together! If you would like to have a printed schedule for the year, there are copies in the foyer. The scriptures to read this week:

Date	Readings	Psalm
10/23	Rom 7-8	136
10/24	Rom 9-10	137
10/25	Rom 11-12	138
10/26	Rom 13-14	139
10/27	Rom 15-16	140
10/28	1 Cor 1-2	141
10/29	1 Cor 3-4	142
10/30	1 Cor 5-6	143
10/31	1 Cor 7-8	144
11/1	1 Cor 9-10	145
11/2	1 Cor 11-12	146
11/3	1 Cor 13-14	147
11/4	1 Cor 15-16	148
11/5	2 Cor 1-2	149

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 23 - Book Club Meeting, 6:00pm at the Southridge Panera. The book is *Identical Strangers: A memoir of Twins Separated and Reunited* by Elyse Schein and Paula Bernstein.

October 24 - Trunk or Treat, 5:30-6:30pm. This coming Wednesday evening, October 24th, 5:30-6:30pm is our Trunk or Treat at the building. All kids are invited to come dressed up to get candy and enjoy an evening of fun and food before our Wednesday evening service. We would love to have LOTS of trunks for the kids to get treats from, so please come out and participate! Your trunk does not have to be decorated, but we'd love to see your creative side if you're up for the challenge! Pizza and snacks will be served after they visit all the trunks. If you have any questions, please contact Erika Walker.

October 25 - Young At Heart Breakfast, 10am at Cracker Barrel. Please RSVP to Joe Riley or on the sign up sheet in the foyer.

November 6 - Prayer Meeting, 6pm at the church building. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

REMEMBERING ANN ESTEP



Ruth "Ann" Hesson Estep, 79, of Kanawha City, passed away on Tuesday, October 16, 2018, at CAMC Memorial Hospital.

Funeral services for our beloved sister in Christ, Ann Estep, will be held at Kanawha City Church of Christ on Saturday, October 27th at 3pm.

Our church family will provide food for the family following the service. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to the Kanawha City Church of Christ in honor and memory of Mrs. Ann Estep.

Please continue to lift the Estep family up in prayer during this time.

LIFEGROUP INFORMATION

- **Chuck and Shirley Denham** 5:30-6:30pm Sunday at the building. Studying the Andy Stanley series, *Brand New*. Also serving communion each week.

- **Tom and Brenda Hannigan** 5:30-7:30pm in their home. Studying *The Bible Project*.

- **Chris and Renee Morris** 5:00-7:00pm, See Chris or Renee for location. Studying *The Bible Project*.

- **Bill and Darlena Reynolds** 6:00-8:00pm Sunday in their home. Studying *The Bible Project*.

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



Nick Johnson	10/1
Raymond Beadnell	10/2
Arah Gund	10/5
Adele Javins	10/12
Matt Harmon	10/14
Neon Bowyer	10/22
Frank Javins	10/24
Sue Riley	10/25
Rachel Gund	10/28
Dewey Kuhns	10/30

Did I miss a special day? Contact office@kccofo.org

FOOD PANTRY

As we prepare for the upcoming holiday season, let's remember those less fortunate. Popular food pantry items: canned meat, fruit, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, dry or canned milk, crackers, beef stew, chicken noodle soup. We have plenty of canned vegetables at the time. Please place donations in the cabinet near the church office.