

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

### Wednesday:

Services.....6:45 pm  
Bible Study.....7-8:00pm

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## THE PREACHER'S MISTAKE

What if I told you I made a mistake? Actually, I've made many mistakes. Sometimes, they have been little and insignificant, and sometimes they have been huge and had lasting impacts. We all make mistakes. Sometimes, they are just that - a mistake. Sometimes, they are sins. "...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..." - (Romans 3:23).

This past week, during the sermon, I made a mistake. I don't think it was the type of mistake that would have a great effect on someone's faith, but you never know. Either way, I would like to apologize for my mistake. However, I think there was a greater lesson in what happened after the mistake was made.

Here was my mistake: In referencing the story found in (John 8:1-11), which I would encourage us all to read again, I made reference to the "Samaritan" woman who was living an immoral lifestyle. If you made it a point to read the story again, you will notice that this woman was never referred to as a Samaritan. As a matter of fact, we don't know much about this woman at all. So, I made a mistake in the referencing of this story. Like I said, I don't know that it will cause anyone to start questioning their faith, but it was a mistake nonetheless.

What happened after the mistake is of far greater importance. As I was in the back greeting people after church, someone asked me about it. I won't tell you who that was, so as not to embarrass anyone, but still, someone noticed my mistake and approached me about it. What was so impressive to me, was the gentleness in how it was handled. This person even went so far as to think that it was possible that they had missed something and that I was possibly correct. A few of us discussed it further to find that they were right and I was wrong. Believe me - this isn't the first time and it won't be the last.

My point in all of this is to say that - God's Word is always right and should be defended and used for correction. "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness..." - (2 Timothy 3:16) Our faith is important and we should stand up for it. "...stand firm in the faith..." - (1 Corinthians 16:13)

Of equal importance, is the way that we choose to defend and correct. "...but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for that hope that is in you; *yet do it with gentleness and respect.*" - (1 Peter 3:15)

Sometimes, it will be insignificant mistakes, but often times we will be called to defend and correct something greater. Let's "teach and correct"... let's "stand firm in the faith"... but let us do so with "gentleness and respect". I am grateful for the person who gently corrected me this week, and I pray that we might all learn from that person's example.

Love you all, Stephen

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

September 11, 2016

MORNING ASSEMBLY

- Front Greeter: Donna McNeely
Usher: Doug Hartley
Worship Leader: Joe Masker
Opening Prayer: Raymond Beadnell
Communion Preside: Duane Scyoc
Serve East: Richard Wagner, Bob Midkiff
Serve West: Nick Johnson, Tom McNeely
Scripture Reading: Alex Derenburger
Closing Prayer: Joe Riley
Contribution Tally: P & A Estep
Sound Booth: Pete Williams
PowerPoint: Chris Morris
Nursery: Kara McNeely, Alaina Morris

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Grace Wagner has been diagnosed with a cancerous tumor of the kidney.
Jarrell Parker
Lindsey Varney, 15 year old that has been diagnosed with a very aggressive and inoperable brain tumor.
Hannah Ellis, GW graduate that was in a car crash and is recovering from a traumatic brain injury.
Marian Kinder and family in the loss of Kermit.
Thelma Gardner is residing at Bellaire of Devonshire Assisted Living.
Perry Holder, chemo for brain tumor is working. Please keep praying!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- September 6 - Prayer Meeting, 7pm at the building.
September 10 - Downtown Charleston Scavenger Hunt, 1:00-4:00pm.
September 11 - Singing Class will resume in the Multipurpose room at 9:45am on Sunday mornings.
September 11 - Tom and Brenda Hannigan's LifeGroup will resume regular meeting times of Sunday evenings at 5:30.
September 22 - Young At Heart Breakfast, 10am at Cracker Barrel.
September 27 - Book Club Meeting, 7pm at the home of Sheila Dale.

LIFEGROUP INFORMATION

- Chuck and Shirley Denham 6:00-7:00pm Sunday in room 17 at the building.
Tom and Brenda Hannigan 5:30-7:30pm Sunday at their home.
Chris and Renee Morris 5:00-7:00pm (1st & 3rd Sundays) at their home.
Bill and Darlena Reynolds 6:00-8:00pm Sunday in the church auditorium.

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

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- September 7 September 14
Usher: Tom McNeely Richard Wagner
Song Leader: Chuck Denham Chuck Denham
Prayer: Raymond Beadnell Steve Samples
Sound Booth: Paul Estep Tom McNeely
Nursery: Linda Johnson Brenda Hannigan

Communion Preparation & Garments: Sue Riley
If you cannot serve as scheduled, please contact Tom McNeely at 304-346-5212

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Image of American flag and names: David Hartley, Allen Hartley, Brandon McKinney

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

I will be out of the office next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The weekly newsletter will be sent out on Thursday of next week. Thanks, Amy Kuhns

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTION

- Attendance: Sunday School.....53, Worship.....103, Wednesday.....Not Recorded
Contribution.....\$3,091.00
Building Fund Donations YTD.....\$32,072.10
Building Fund GOAL.....\$60,000

SUNDAY SERMON NOTES

You can find the "fill in the blank sermon notes" in the foyer on Sunday mornings.

SMILE CORNER

Q: What kind of man was Boaz before he got married?
A: Ruth-less.
By Howard Hendricks

A TEACHER WHO GOT IT RIGHT

Years ago, at a church in Dallas, we were having trouble finding a teacher for a junior high boys class. The list of prospects had only one name, and when they told me who it was I said, "You've got to be kidding." However, I couldn't have been more wrong about that young man. He took the class and revolutionized it. I was so impressed that I invited him to my house for lunch and asked him the secret of his success. He pulled out a little black book. On each page he had a small picture of one of the boys, and under the boy's name were comments like "having trouble in school," or "comes to church against parents' wishes," or "would like to be a missionary someday, but doesn't think he has what it takes." "I pray over these pages every day," he said, "and I can hardly wait to come to church each Sunday to see what God has been doing in their lives."

BIRTHDAYS

- Jamie Wilkinson 9/9
Lilly Wilkinson 9/9
Libby Ballard 9/10
Barbara Samples 9/12



FOOD PANTRY

Please help us keep our pantry stocked! Items we still need:
Chicken Noodle Soup
Vegetable Soup
Fruit
Canned Meats
Juice
You can leave your donations in the cabinet beside the church office. Thank you!



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