

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 AM
 Sunday AM Worship10:00 AM
 Sunday PM Worship 6:00 PM
 Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 PM

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Supported Mission Works

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 Navajo Reservation, Ft. Defiance, AZ

Eddison Gruber
 Navajo Reservation, Crownpoint NM

Dave Chamberlin (Instructor)
 Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver

Jesus Gonzalez
 Agua Prieta, Mexico

Alonso Villalobos
 Veracruz Mexico

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Prayer List

- * Hadleigh Rush is doing better. He has Epstein Bar virus and it can take up to 8 weeks to recover.
- * Rodi was in John C Lincoln Dunlap. Her COPD is acting up.
- * Mark Roscoe has Costochondritis. This is inflammation of the rib cartilage and can be very painful.
- * Bob Glover continues to have health issues.
- * Burt Bailey, father of a co-worker of Deb's, has pancreatitis
- * Virginia Walker recovering from back surgery.
- * Oleta continues to have dizzy spells.
- * Eugene had dental surgery
- * Barbara Murphy, various medical problems.
- * Jim Green's continues to do well with his cancer treatments.
- * Jim Staton has TB, which is affecting his kidneys
- * Tammy & Ashley Avery personal struggles
- * James Harper, Frankie's son is in Afghanistan.
- * The Carpenter Family,
- * Walt Garrison (Jim Weiers step brother) undergoing treatment for cancer.

When we pray, remember:

1. *The love of God that wants the best for us.*
2. *The wisdom of God that knows what is best for us.*
3. *The power of God that can accomplish it.*

William Barclay

Best Wishes This Week

TiAta Chance	June 27 (B)
Norman Horwitz	June 28 (B)
Rene' Oliva	June 01 (B)

THE GUARDIAN

"Guard my soul and deliver me; Do not let me be ashamed, for I take refuge in Thee." Ps. 25:20

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Looking for the Butterfly

Buckminster Fuller noted, "There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you it's going to be a butterfly."

The same can be said about people. How many people do we know whom we believe will never change, only to watch their transformation upon becoming a Christian? We may never have seen anything in their lives that would have indicated they would be anything other than what they were, nevertheless...*"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come."* 2 Cor. 5:17

Of course, how this change happens is different between caterpillar and man. A caterpillar has no choice in its transformation, but man must decide to change. *"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect,"* Rom. 12:2.

Even though we change because of the decision we make, change is not wholly dependent upon us. Without the cleansing power of Jesus' blood and the regenerating power of His word, change would not be possible. Paul explains this when he writes, *"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me"* Gal. 2:20, and *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."* Rom. 1:16,17

The power for transformation is found in the gospel. Once we obey the gospel, God can begin to change us, if we allow Him too. No matter how unchangeable we might appear to be, God can change us into much more than a butterfly, He can transform us into His glorious image, Col. 3:9,10. God has the power to change us, if we are willing to let Him.

James Dale

Welcome to the services of the Church! If you are visiting with us, we appreciate your presence and invite you to stay a few moments after the service so we may have an opportunity to meet you! Please feel free to pick up one of our Visitors Packets in the Foyer.

Who Will Be Saved?

God "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4). God doesn't want anyone to be lost, but before one can be saved he must come to the knowledge of the truth of God's word. Even though the Lord desires all men to be saved, Jesus says there will only be few who choose the narrow way so they can be saved (Matthew 7:13-14).

But who will be saved? Only the Bible can be trusted with this question. Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). Only those who do the will of God as found in the Bible can be saved and go to Heaven. No one can obey the will of man and go to Heaven.

The Bible says that Jesus "became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:9). We must obey Jesus if we expect to be saved. Jesus says, "He that believes and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). One has to have help to misunderstand this. Many people laugh and scoff at what Jesus says about baptism being necessary for one to be saved. They may laugh in this life, but they will not laugh in the next.

What does the Lord do with those who are baptized for the forgiveness of their sins (Acts 2:38) so they can be saved (Mark 16:16)? "And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:47). The Lord adds only those who are saved to His church (Matthew 16:18). There are no unsaved people in the Lord's church. Jesus only has one church (Ephesians 4:4, 1:22-23). He didn't establish any of the many denominations we see in the world today. Men started all these so the unsaved will have their own church.

But the saved are in the Lord's one church where they must worship God "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). We are not to forsake "the assembling of ourselves together" (Hebrews 10:25) for worship, if we want to continue to be saved. If we do forsake the assembling of ourselves for worship the next verse says, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins" (Hebrews 10:26).

But who will be saved? Jesus says, "But he who endures to the end will be saved" (Matthew 10:22). We must faithfully endure to the end of our life here on the earth if we want to be saved. And Jesus says, "Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). Those who will be saved are those who "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). Our number one priority in this life must be to obey God in all things and endure to the end, so we will be saved and go to Heaven.

Ron Boatwright

- (1) **Our VBS** is scheduled for August 2nd – 6th. This years theme is *Jungle Journey, Exploring The Nature of God*. Josh Casselman is our director, so pleased see him to sign up for teaching classes or assisting in other ways.
- (2) **James, Peggy and Bethany** will be out of town next week. They will be back Saturday July 3rd.
- (3) Virginia is not at the Beatitude Care Center located at 1610 West Glendale Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85021. She is in Building 1712, room 216. Her phone number is 602-544-5062. Please call before visiting, she is undergoing therapy and is either tired, asleep or in therapy.
- (4) **New Bible quarter** starts in July. Please see Ron Gallegos to sign up to teach
- (5) **Youth campers** going to Colorado, A master copy of the application is on the bulletin board. You can also visit www.cortezchurchofchrist.org. Prices have gone up, but there is still an early registration discount.
- (6) The next "**Walk-About**" is on July 5th to Oak Creek. 7:30 sack lunch and drink, Please see Mary Bauer for more information and let her know if you plan on going.

WORTH WATCHING

Search The Scriptures - KAZI Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.
On the Internet "Gospel Broadcasting Network" - www.gbntv.org

Northside Calendar

Visit our online calendar at www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/

Crafts: August 1st - Following morning services (Everyone welcome)
Potluck: Today – Evening Finger-food (Everyone welcome)
Ladies Class: July 18th - 5:00 p.m.
Men's Business Meeting: July 18th - 5:00 pm.
Elders/Deacons Meeting: Today - 5:00 p.m.
In Touch, this week: Team 2

CD's are available for both morning and evening sermons. See Josh Casselman for more information. *If you requested CD's please be sure to pick your copies up.*

IF YOU HAVE SMALL CHILDREN, INFANT TO 3 YRS OLD, WE PROVIDE AN ATTENDED NURSERY. WE ALSO HAVE A TRAINING ROOM FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.