

## Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class ..... 9:00 AM  
 Sunday AM Worship .....10:00 AM  
 Sunday PM Worship ..... 6:00 PM  
 Wednesday Bible Class ..... 7:00 PM

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### Supported Mission Works

Dino Tzanetos;  
*Athens, Greece*

Josh Austin  
*Navajo Reservation, Keyenta, AZ*

Terry Laurence  
*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

- \* Bob Glover is now in Hospice of The Valley - Thunderbird
- \* Ruby Rusell, member at Northgate is recovering from surgery and doing ok.
- \* Vanessa, the McGrews granddaughter is now home recovering from an in infection in her abdomen.
- \* Brandy Essary needs prayers as she adjusts to school and the heavy workload.
- \* Jim Green's continues to do well with his cancer treatments.
- \* Jim Weiers has been having some health issues
- \* Kelsie Wright, possible immune problem.
- \* Hadleigh Rush is having some personal struggles
- \* Charlie Bellows, son of Darrin and Julie Bellows was born 2 ½ months premature and facing numerous medical problems.
- \* Mark Roscoe has Costochondritis.
- \* Virginia Walker recovering from back surgery.
- \* Oleta continues to have dizzy spells.
- \* Barbara Murphy, various medical problems.
- \* 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.

## Best Wishes This Week

**Andrew Sanders**  
**Chuck & Jan Kolinchak**

**July 18 (B)**  
**July 21 (A)**

# 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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## Father, Lead Me

Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, And lead me in the way everlasting. (Psalms 139:23-24)

Psalm 139 is one of my favorites. This is a passage worth committing to memory, a reminder of God's constant presence. A young lady once requested this passage to be read at her wedding. How appropriate! Surely God was the most important guest of the day!

The Psalm is easily divided into four sections. The first section (vs.1-6) tells of the impossibility of concealing anything from God. The second section (vs.7-12) declares the impossibility of escaping from God's presence. Section three (vs.13-18) speaks of God's great power. In section four (vs. 19-24) the psalmist enters into supplication to God. It is on the last two verses I wish to focus. Here the psalmist enters into reflective self-examination. Consider below three important lessons.

First, the poet implies his imperfect knowledge of his own character. Sin creates darkness and deception. "Who can understand his errors?" (Psalm 19:12) We are easily subject to a sense of self-importance. It is easy for us to excuse ourselves or to lessen the guilt of sins to which we are inclined. Thus, there is wisdom in asking the Searcher of our hearts to try us and cleanse us.

Second, the psalmist plainly states he is willing to know the worst about himself. Men are generally afraid to be placed under such scrutiny. If we go to the doctor want to know everything even the worst, but not so with the soul. The true spirit is a willingness to be tried. Only when God reveals our true character can we make the needed changes.

The third lesson is the assurance that God is able to lead him in the right way. "Lead me in the way everlasting". "Show me the good way, the way of the righteous, the path that leads to light". Only God, through his word, can show us what we are and set us on the right path.

By George Slover

**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.**

## Will There Be Good People In Hell?

Many times we hear people say or read in an obituary that, "My mother was a good person and she went home to be with her Lord in heaven". This is only wishful thinking if the individual had not obeyed the gospel and was not a faithful member of the Lord's one true church. The individual may have been a "good person" but being a good person is not the only requirement for one to go to heaven. We read in 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9, "When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire **taking vengeance** on those who do not know God, and **on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ**. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power."

Even though one is a good person, if he has not obeyed "the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ", he will be eternally lost in hell. Also notice that those who do not know God will also be lost in hell. "He who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (1 John 2:4). To not know God is to not keep his commandments. Those who do not know God include those who once obeyed the gospel but fell away and quit keeping his commandments. We cannot be good enough, on our own, to go to heaven. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). It is our sins that separate us from God (Isaiah 59:2).

One must obey what God says, how God says, and for the reason God says if he is to go to heaven and not hell. One must not obey any of the many different plans of salvation which men have devised. One of man's plans says that all you have to do to be saved and go to heaven is to "accept Jesus as your personal Saviour" and say the "sinner's prayer". Then weeks later they baptize the individual into their denomination, but not for the forgiveness of sins so he can be saved because they say he is already saved. Since one was not baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38, 22:16) so he can be saved (Mark 16:16), he still has every sin he has ever committed and is still lost, even though he may be a "good person". I cannot think of a more flagrant crime against both God and man than to teach lost sinners, who want to be saved, something different than what God says in the Bible. Man's plans will only lead one into hell.

For one to be saved and to go to heaven, Jesus says "He that believes and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). One has to have help to misunderstand this. What does the Lord do with those who are saved according to his plan? Acts 2:47 says, "And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved." Then Jesus says, "Be faithful until death and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). So we see from the Bible that those who die and have not obeyed the gospel of Christ, even though they are a "good person", they will not be in heaven but in hell. Also we see from the Bible that even though one has obeyed the gospel but forsakes the assembly (Hebrews 10:25-26) and was not faithful until death, even though he was otherwise a "good person", he will also be in hell. "Let no one deceive himself" (1 Corinthians 3:18). Let's make sure that we and our loved ones have obeyed the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and are faithfully serving him in his church. We cannot wish ourselves or our loved ones out of hell and into heaven. It will be too late then.

By Ron Boatwright

- (1) **VBS UPDATE!!** We will be having a decorating party Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>. All who wish to participate please be at the building by 11:00 am. There will be a spaghetti lunch.
- (2) If you have requested **CD's of the sermons** – please pick your copies up. We do not want to waste the materials that go into putting these together.
- (3) Mt Vernon church of Christ is hosting the **Fall Women's Retreat**, September 10-11, at Copper Basin this year. Please check the bulletin board for more information.
- (4) Chad McDonald placed some **Nationwide/AZ Assistance packets** in the foyer. This packet contains information about help with jobs, RX, childcare and much more. See Chad for more information.
- (5) **Our VBS** is scheduled for August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>. This years theme is *Jungle Journey, Exploring The Nature of God*. Josh Casselman is our director, so please see him to sign up for teaching classes or assisting in other ways.
- (6) **The teen youth campers** left for Colorado today. Please keep them in your prayers as they travel.

### WORTH WATCHING

Search The Scriptures - KAZT Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.  
On the Internet "Gospel Broadcasting Network" - [www.gbntv.org](http://www.gbntv.org)

### Northside Calendar

Visit our online calendar at [www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/](http://www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/)

- Crafts:** August 1<sup>st</sup> - Following morning services (Everyone welcome)  
**Potluck:** July 25<sup>th</sup> – Evening Finger-Food (Everyone welcome)  
**Ladies Class:** Today - 5:00 p.m.  
**Men's Business Meeting:** Today - 5:00 pm.  
**Elders/Deacons Meeting:** July 25<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.  
**In Touch, this week:** Team 4

**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.*