

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Chad Futrell

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: John Williams

Lord's Table:
Presiding: Scot Parchman

Assisting: Steve Pool
Kyle Pool

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Trevor Moore

Evening Worship

Song Leader: N/A

Opening Prayer: N/A

Sermon: N/A

Lord's Supper: N/A

Closing Prayer: N/A

Those serving Wednesday

Song Leader: N/A

Scripture: N/A

Reading: N/A

Invitation: N/A

Pantry Item

Pineapple

Sermon Notes

10 Reasons to be Thankful

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Welcome!

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Church of Christ

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Service Times

Sunday:

B. C. 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

Evening 5:00pm

Wednesday Night:

B. C. 7:00pm

Ladies' Class:

Tuesdays 10:00am

Elders

Scot Parchman

Wade Hedgepeth

Byran Hatcher

Deacons

Steve Pool

John Williams

The Cape Fear Crier

"Cry aloud and shout...for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel." Isaiah 12:6

Christians Care

The Apostle Peter wrote, "Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, *be* pitiful, *be* courteous, Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing" (1 Peter 3:8-9). Christians all too often receive a negative caricature that we are mean-spirited, hateful people, only out to do nothing but impose our will forcibly on society. While it is the case that many who call themselves Christians would fit into such a description, such is not an adequate representation of ALL Christians, and certainly not of what the Bible describes Christians to be. Rather than characterizing all people that claim to be Christians, it is better to understand the authorized message to see if it is the message at fault, or the execution of that message that is lacking.

The New Testament teaches that Christians ought to be people of compassion and kindness. Not merely to one another, but to all people. Benevolence should be shown toward all men (Galatians 6:10). The criteria of judgment in the great judgment scene described by Jesus in Matthew 25:31-46 is whether or not the individual was involved in feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and giving drink to the thirsty. Compassion on

human needs must be at the center of the Christian life.

Many times professional beggars in our city take advantage of this kindness. Caution must be exercised. Compassion is not always what one might expect, in the feeding of the 5,000, Jesus' reaction to seeing the multitudes as sheep without a shepherd, was to have compassion. In Matthew's account, His compassion prompted His healing of their sick. In Mark it was to teach them. Compassion involves both the physical and the spiritual.

One of the most compassionate things we can do as a Christian is teach someone about Jesus the Christ. Yet, this compassion requires some courage. People might not be as open to receiving a particular teaching as they would a sandwich and bottle of water given in love. That teaching, especially if correcting a lie, might just stir up the helpless individual that would prefer to believe the lie. That attitude is totally up to them. Just as some ask for money and refuse perfectly good food, some choose to believe a lie than accept the truth.

Each Christian must ask themselves, "When is the last time I showed compassion on others by teaching them the precious Gospel of Christ?" It is a challenging question drawn from a challenging concept. Have compassion for all others. Give people what they need physically and then show them what they need spiritually. We do not force people to obey the Gospel, and it is never a condition in order to receive physical assistance, but if we are truly Christians we will display the highest level of care for others by giving them God's word.

- BTH

By the Numbers

Attendance 11/15/20
Bible Class: 25
Contribution: N/A

A.M. Worship: 32
DB Readers: N/A

P.M. Worship: N/A
Chapters Read: N/A

Family News and Notes

Former Sanford members, and friends of the Pool family, the **Voss** family, lost their 20-yr-old daughter, **Carlle**, in an automobile accident.

Brother **Freddie McCray**, of Andrews, SC, passed away last week as well. We supported him in his work in Guyana.

We have been blessed thus far that none of our members have had serious complications with Corona Virus. Let us continue to pray that remains the situation. We do want to pray for those family members that have lost loved ones these past 9 months. Please also say a special prayer for Alex Freshley as he was diagnosed with Crohn's disease.

Active military: Pray for our active duty military members; they could be called to a conflict area at a moment's notice. Remember to pray for their families as well.

Also remember: **Margaret Langston, Vicky Carver, Alex Freshley, Lettie Gray, Frances Salaz, Tylia Landrum, Gwen Jennen, John and Linda Williams**, the **Pollard** family, **Claudia Farrington, Rick Caldwell, Margaret Eads, and Thelma Adams**. Please pray for those in Bible Studies, teachers and students!

Special Recognition

Do not forget to watch Monday Reminder on Mondays and our Wednesday devotional (on the Book of James) Wednesday evening on our Facebook page. Monday Reminders average 3 minutes while the devotional is about 10 minutes.

Events

Ladies Bible Class: meet at 10:00am every Tuesday.

Worship services: Still having only Sunday morning adult Bible Class and worship. Bible class at 9am and worship at 10am.

Monday Reminder: Every Monday morning at 8am on Facebook.

Wednesday Devotional Message: Every Wednesday evening at 6pm on Facebook

