

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: John Williams

Lord's Table:
Presiding: Scot Parchman

Assisting: Steve Pool
Dustin Pool

Sermon: Dustin Pool

Closing Prayer: Brynn Hatcher

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

N/A

Sermon Notes *Almost Persuaded*

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

April 11, 2021

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

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The Cape Fear Crier

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

How Would YOU Answer?

Robert Goff, Jr.

“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear” (I Peter 3:15 NKJV)

Peter was writing to Christians who were living in perilous times and facing persecution because of their faith. He wanted them to be able to stand firm, unwavering in the face of such suffering.

But the principle applies to us today. Why do we believe what we believe? Are we able to answer those who inquire about our beliefs?

Why do I belong to a particular church?

What did I do to become a member?

Why do I worship the way I do?

Why do I not practice certain things in worship that others practice?

What did I do to be saved?

These are all teaching opportunities when we are questioned. Peter tells us how to respond:

- 1. **Having sanctified the Lord God in our hearts**, that is with an attitude of utmost reverence. If we have made Him # 1 in our lives, how can we teach others to do so?
- 2. **Always be ready**- Always willing and able at every opportunity.
- 3. **To give a defense** (“answer” - some versions). If we deny Him before men, Christ will deny us before His Father in heaven (Matthew 10:33-34).
- 4. **To everyone** – We must fear God who is able to destroy both body and soul in hell, rather than man who can kill the body but not the soul (Matthew 10:28).
- 5. **That asks a reason for the hope that is in you.** Our attitude ought to be, “People have a right to ask, and I have a responsibility to answer”. What a great opportunity to teach them God’s plan of salvation and what it has to offer those who respond to the Lord’s invitation.
- 6. **With meekness and fear.** We must be gentle and kind and always reverent with God’s word.

Editor’s Note: Brother Goff is the minister for the Kinston congregation in Kinston, NC. He will also be one of the speakers at the Sheffield Drive Lectures on May 1st.

By the Numbers

Attendance 4/4/21		
Bible Class: 38	A.M. Worship: 55	Wed. B. S.: 23
Contribution: N/A	DB Readers: N/A	Chapters Read: N/A

Family News and Notes

Rodger & Ashley Kurhurst lost their house and belongings in a fire. Today is the last day to help. Linda Williams’ mother, **Mary Pipkens** and her brothers, **Wayne** and **Harry** all dealing with Covid. Wayne is in ICU. **Jack** and **Sondra Wain**, Kim Perkins’ parents are dealing with serious health issues. **Jamie Phillips** is caring for his mother and going through a hard time. **Claudia Farrington** is having a difficult time right now. **Frances Salaz** is going through chemo. **Vicky Carver’s** son, **Joe**, needs our prayers right now, but is doing a lot better. **Trevor Moore** is back home from training!
We have been blessed thus far that none of our members have had serious complications with Corona Virus, though we have all been affected negatively. 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**, and **Thelma Adams**. Please pray for those in Bible Studies, teachers and students!

Apr 11	Apr 12	Apr 13	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17
Rev 10-11	Rev 12-13	Rev 14-15	Rev 16-17	Rev 18-19	Rev 20-22	Gen 1-2
Ps 102	Ps 103	Ps 104	Ps 105	Ps 106	Ps 107	Ps 108

Events

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Wednesday at 7pm. Adult Bible Class only.
Sheffield Drive Lectures: May 1st. 9-3: lunch provided. Theme: “Biblical Leadership”
Ladies’ Bible Class: Tuesday 10am in the Library.

