

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Phil Byrd

Lord's Table:
Presiding: Dustin Pool

Assisting: Brynn Hatcher
Kyle Pool

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Ron Austin

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: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Scot Parchman

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Brynn Hatcher

Pantry Item

N/A

Sermon Notes *Adam: A Shadow of Christ*

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Welcome!

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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

The Restoration Plea

The plea of the churches of Christ is very simple. It is a desire to **"go back to the Bible"** and let it be the guide for all we say and do and restore the New Testament church. Actually, this is a Biblical plea that has been true ever since the Old Testament era. During the days of Jeremiah the prophet, six hundred years before Christ, we read, *"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls"* (Jer. 6:16). God has always desired that men follow His way in every generation of time -- from the beginning of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, to the present, and on until life on the earth will be no more (when Jesus returns).

A RETURN TO NEW TESTAMENT ORGANIZATION

There was no hierarchy in New Testament times as is seen today in denominations of men. There is no clergy/laity system in the scriptures. The organization of the church in the Bible was simple in its arrangement. No one congregation had any authority over any other congregation. Each one was autonomous (self governing).

There were **elders** (also called bishops and pastors) who were the overseers of their own local congregation of which they were members (Acts 20:28). God has given them the charge to see to it that what is done is done according to His Word. There were **deacons** who were special servants of the church (1 Tim. 3:8-13). There were **members** who were baptized penitent believers (Acts 2:38,41,47).

A RETURN TO THE PLAN OF SALVATION

Our plea is a return to the Lord's plan of salvation. No

man has the authority to add to it, nor to take from it. Jesus said everyone must **believe** in him as the Christ, the Son of God. "*I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am He, ye shall die in your sins*" (John 8:24). Jesus said all men must **repent** of their sins to be saved. "*I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish*" (Luke 13:3,5). Jesus said all men must **confess** Him before men. "*Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven*" (Matt. 10:32). Jesus said all men must be **baptized** (immersed) in water for the remission of sins. "*He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned*" (Mark 16:16). Jesus said all men must live a **faithful** Christian life. "...*Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life*" (Rev. 2:10).

A RETURN TO THE PATTERN OF NEW TESTAMENT WORSHIP
Jesus said true worship is "*in spirit*" (from the heart, sincere) and "*in truth*" (according to and directed by God's Word) (John 4:24). The New Testament reveals five acts of worship. These acts are included in worship on every Lord's day (the first day of the week). These five acts are: Singing (Eoh. 5:19), Teaching (Acts 20:7), Giving (1 For 16:1,2), The Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7), and Praying (Acts 12:5).

A RETURN TO THE PATTERN OF NEW TESTAMENT TEACHING
We desire to teach and do only those things authorized in God's Holy Word. This is expressed in Colossians 3:17, "*And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.*" To do something in the name of someone means that we act upon their authority. Therefore, our teaching and practice must be according to Jesus' word.

Churches of Christ wear an authorized name (Rom. 16:16). Members are called: *disciples* (Acts 16:1), *believers* (Acts 5:14), *saints* (Acts 9:13), *sons of God* (1 John 3:1-2) and *Christians* (Acts 11:26). Each Christian is a member of Christ's one body, the church (Eph. 4:4; 1:22-23). The plea of the church of Christ is to go back to the Bible -- to do Bible things in Bible ways and to call Bible things by Bible names.

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By the Numbers

Attendance 6/13/21
Bible Class: 30 A.M. Worship: 58 Wed. B. C.: 36

Family News and Notes

Welcome! **Jonny and Rebecca Lee** are placing membership with us this morning. **Deborah Ross** has just found out that she has congestive heart disease. **Brent Pollard** is in critical condition in a Chattanooga, TN hospital. Linda Williams' mother, **Mary Pipkens** and her brothers, **Wayne** and **Harry** all are in need of prayer because of serious health concerns. **Maggie Gabel**, Tiffany Oliver's mother, was just diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. **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. Let's remember one another in prayer.
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!

Bible Reading Plan

June 20	June 21	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25	June 26
Num 27-28	Num 29-30	Num 31-32	Num 33-34	Num 35-36	Deut 1-2	Deut 3-4
Pro 20	Ps 21	Pro 22	Pro 23	Pro 24	Pro 25	Pro 26

Events

Ladies' Bible Class: Tuesday 10am in the Library.
Regular Bible Classes: Children 6th grade and under are in the Fellowship Hall.

