

Central Church of Christ

“A Community of Grace”

April 23, 2017

Are You Reclining, Whining, or Shining?

By Edd Sterchi

It seems to me that there are three kinds of church members. Let's briefly examine each and, as we do so, please honestly examine your part in the church and see which you are:

* There are those who recline. They just sit back and watch everything going on around them. They are never more involved than just “warming the pew” from time to time. God wants us involved with the church because, “He who is slothful in his work is a brother to him who is a great destroyer” (Pro. 18:9).

* There are those who whine. Sadly, other church members may be active, but they are involved with other members' business. They seem to spend the majority of their time and resources complaining. God wants us to focus on harmony and make sure we “do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned” (Jas. 5:9).

* There are those who shine. Gladly, there are church members who possess a great attitude and are working heartily for the Lord. They are busy doing the Lord's will and singing along the way. They are shimmering example of faithfulness and fruitfulness. “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven” (Matt. 5:16).

Paul had instructions concerning all of these in Phil. 2:14-15, “Do all things (that's the opposite of reclining) without complaining or disputing (that's the opposite of whining), that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world (that's being a shining example).”

So, Christian, are you reclining, whining, or shining?

Order of Worship

Doxology**Tyler Goad**

Down In The River

Abide With Me

Faithful Love

Ivory Palaces

Communion and Offering

As per schedule below

It Is Well With My Soul

Children's Offering for fresh water filters (Helping Hands International)

Sermon

Freely, Freely

Closing RemindersSong Leader

Did You Think To Pray?

Closing Prayer

As per schedule below

Communion and Offering

As per schedule below

Our God He Is Alive

Those Serving:

	April 23	April 30	May 7	May 14
Lead/ Bread	Bill Goad	Greg Atkison	Bill Goad	Tyler Goad
Fruit of Vine	John Atkison	Mike Wilson	Allen Smith	Francis Jenkins
Offering	Alan Powell	Brad Oglesby	Greg Atkison	Jerry Henshaw
Closing Pray	Jerry Henshaw	Francis Jenkins	Alan Powell	Brad Oglesby
Door	John Atkison &	Greg/ Brenda	Jobee/ Cathy	Jerry/ Marie
Greeters	Zachary			

Birthday's and Anniversaries!

Vicki Smith – May 8th
Leslie Goad – May 12th
Remi Bryant – May 17th
Hunter Robertson – May 21st

John & Tiffany Atkison – May 4th
Jerry & Marie Henshaw – May 24th
John & Sarah Musarra – May 26th

Prayer concerns

--- Shut-Ins ---

June Thrasher at Redbanks
Sue Hall (June Thrashers roommate)
Bobbi Doris Redbanks Rm #103
Clinton Jones, friend of Brenda's

--- Our Sick ---

Macy King, student of Cathy Thrasher
Vicki Smith, Allen's wife, hip problems
Cheryl Williams, tumor releasing
Toxins; waiting to get in Mayo
Clinic, Freida's sister-in-law
Geraldine Addison- at home
Bryan Wyatt, health problems, Jerry's
friend.
Leslie Goad, Bill's dad
Lynn Antwine – Mandy Duncan's
friends dad – broke his hip
The family of Everett Atkison, Jr.



This week we are
collecting
microwavable ravioli
for the Henderson

County High School backpacks.
Please contribute if possible.

Quotes –

The best way to get even is to
forget.

To forgive is to set the prisoner
free, and then discover the
prisoner was you.

You are richer today if you have
laughed, given, or forgiven.

A successful marriage isn't just
finding the right person. It's
being the right person.

Words are windows to the heart.
Be careful of your thoughts. They
may break into words at any time!

The man of the hour is generally
one who has made every minute
count.

Make the most of life on earth, but
know the best is yet to come!

Your problems can never exhaust
God's provisions.

Master your habits, or your habits
will master you.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:

9:30 AM Sunday school

10:30 AM Worship Assembly

6:00 PM Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 PM Bible Study

Our statistics:

Sunday Worship 33

Sunday Night 5

Contribution \$1,086.00

Wednesday Bible Study N/A

To join the church text messaging services send @kce9 to 81010.

Then follow the directions

*The men's chairman for the next quarter (May-July) is J. Henshaw. The secretary is G. Atkison. The next mtg. is **May 7 at 5:00 pm.***

by Donna Richmond

Every church bulletin usually contains the names of the church's sick and shut-in members. It is not unusual to pick up a bulletin and read a catalog of mankind's ailments and sorrows. These seem unavoidable, for as we age, our body wears out. Various diseases attack us. It is part of our mortality.

Even though our physical bodies are wearing out, Paul reminds us that "our inward man is renewed day by day." (2 Cor. 4:16) He adds, "For we know that if the earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens." (2 Cor. 5:1) We are all longing for that day when "that what is mortal shall be swallowed up of life." (2 Cor. 5:4)

Yes, it breaks our hearts to see our brethren, our closest family and friends suffer from the diseases and ailments of this life. Yet we know that we are all terminal. It's just a matter of time before we go the way of all flesh, as God has decreed. The Christian, however, can see heaven through his tears and know that what lies ahead far outshines what this life has to offer. Let us pray for and comfort one another as we strive for that home free of suffering and pain.

