

Central Church of Christ

“A Community of Grace”

April 1, 2018

Holding Traditions

By Rob Albright

Paul told the church in Thessalonica to “hold to the traditions which you were taught” (2 Thess. 2:15). What traditions was he talking about?

It is important to know that there are two different kinds of traditions. HUMAN traditions can be good or bad. It depends on how you use them. A human tradition is just a way of doing something over a period of time. A human tradition is something that can be changed. Meeting together on Sunday at 11 A.M. can be changed to 10 A.M. without violating any Biblical teaching. The same can be said about the number of songs we sing in our assemblies and the number of prayers offered.

The other kind of tradition is DIVINE. This is the kind of tradition Paul was talking about in our text above. This is the kind of tradition that has been handed down through the generations by the inspired writers of the Bible. If we choose to change divine tradition we are disorderly (2 Thess. 3:6). Divine traditions teach us what God wants in His church.

So, following the traditions of the New Testament for our pattern for faith and practice is a good thing. Following the blueprint given by God for building our Christian life and worshiping God is a good thing.

Also, understanding the difference between a human tradition and a divine tradition will go a long way in “keeping the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.” (Eph. 4:2).

Rob Albright serves as one of the ministers at the Northwest Church of Christ in Greensboro, NC.

Those Scheduled to Serve

Surround Us Lord

Tyler Goad, Song Leader

Welcome and Opening Prayer..... Clint Thrasher

It Is Well with My Soul	490
Low in the Grave He Lay	344
One Day	353
If That Isn't Love	379

Lord's Supper and Offering.....As per schedule below

He Lives	346
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Children's Offering for West Kentucky Youth Camp cabins

Sermon Clint Thrasher

Sweet Adoration	253
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Closing Announcements..... Song Leader

Soon and Very Soon	989
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Closing Prayer As per schedule below

<i>Those Serving:</i>	Apr 1	Apr 8	Apr 15	Apr 22
Lead/ Bread	Jobee Thrasher	Bill Goad	Greg Atkison	Jerry Henshaw
Fruit of Vine	Francis Jenkins	John Atkison	Allen Smith	Jobee Thrasher
Offering	Allen Smith	Jobee Thrasher	Francis Jenkins	Greg Atkison
Closing Pray	John Atkison	Allen Smith	Tyler Goad	Bill Goad
Door Greeters	John/ Tiffany	Allen Smith	Greg/ Brenda	Jobee/ Cathy
Communion to shut-ins (April)	Greg & Brenda			

Birthday's and Anniversaries!

Hanna Thrasher - April 3rd

Whitney Goad - April 8th

Brenda Atkison - April 14th



Upcoming Speakers:

Apr 8th Tyler Goad

Apr 15th Jerry Henshaw

Apr 22nd John Atkison

Apr 29th Bill Goad

Prayer concerns

--- Shut-Ins ---

Bobbi Doris Redbanks Rm #103

Dale Jenkins (Redbank) Francis's brother

--- Our Sick ---

Lyndall Blue at home

Francis Jenkins doing well at home

Leslie Goad, Bill's dad

Delorma Atkison, Greg's mom

Geraldine Addison, Tammy's mom

Tammy Goad

Johnny Cox, Bill Goads brother-in-law

Mark Sauer - waiting for kidney
transplant, Marie's friend

Mike Collins recovering at home

Wednesday night focus scripture:

Acts 18:1-11 (endure persecution)

Read it each day; multiple times if you can and then ask yourself the following questions:

- What do I learn about God
- What do I learn about people
- What has the Holy Spirit revealed to you in the scripture.
- How will you obey it in your life this week.

We'll discuss this Wed. at 6:30 PM.

Don't forget to regularly check the bulletin board in the kitchen for recent thank you cards, business meeting minutes, preaching schedule, and a variety of other information.

Please help us keep the list of sick current. If someone needs to be added let us know? The same applies for those who can be removed from the list. Thanks.



The food item to bring next Sunday for the schools backpack program is:

"Ravioli/ Spaghetti & Meatballs"

- Love is simply using one's God-given power of choice to say or do that which is in the best interest and for the best good of another person, regardless of feeling." (Unknown)
- "Do not attempt to do a thing unless you are sure of yourself; but do not relinquish it simply because someone else is not sure of you." (Stewart E. White)

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:

9:30 AM Sunday school

10:30 AM Worship Assembly

Wednesday:

6:30 PM Bible Study

Last week's statistics:

Sunday Worship	20
Sunday Night	n/a
Contribution	\$1,115.00
Wednesday Bible Study	5

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

*The men's chairman for the next quarter (Apr-Jun) is G. Atkison. The secretary is B. Goad. The next mtg. is **Apr. 15 at 5:00 pm.***

There's good news from the cemetery this morning!

The good news is Jesus Christ rose from the dead!

The good news is that death has lost its sting and the grave has lost its victory!

A cemetery is a strange place to get good news. But that's what Easter is all about. If you're looking for Jesus this morning, don't look in the graveyard. He left the graveyard 2000 years ago and never went back. And he promised that if we trust and obey him, we will someday rise with him too. I've staked my entire life on that promise. If it is not true, I have no other hope, no other plan. But it is true and that's why I can shout with joy today,

"He arose! Hallelujah, Christ arose!"