

MEN WHO SERVE

MORNING SERVICE

Song Leader	<i>Phil Forrest</i>
Announcements	<i>Eddie Nuckols</i>
Opening Prayer	<i>Jered Markman</i>
Scripture Reading	<i>Edgar Markman</i>
Sermon	<i>Ryan McClannon</i>
Closing Prayer	<i>Mark Koontz</i>

EVENING SERVICE

Opening Prayer	<i>Tom Davenport</i>
Sermon	<i>Ryan McClannon</i>
Closing Prayer	<i>Steve Anderson</i>
Lord's Table	<i>Phil Forrest</i>
Wed Song Leader	<i>Phil Forrest</i>

LORD'S SUPPER

<i>Tom Davenport</i>	
<i>Jered Markman</i>	<i>Rick Brown</i>
<i>Matthew Brown</i>	<i>David Capps</i>
Prepare	<i>The Boyds</i>
Clean Up	<i>The Boyds</i>
Bread	<i>Betsy Forrest</i>

CHURCH LEADERS

ELDERS

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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

SUNDAY

Bible Study 10AM
Morning Worship Service 11AM
Evening Worship Service 6PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7PM

GOD'S PLAN of SALVATION

- Hear** the gospel (Romans 10:17)
- Believe** in Jesus, God's Son (Acts 16:30-31, Heb 11:6)
- Repent** of sin (Acts 17:30-31)
- Confess** Jesus as God's Son before men (Acts 8:36-37, Matthew 10:32, Romans 10:9-10)
- Be Baptized** (immersed) in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38)
- Live Faithfully** (1 John 1:7, Rev 2:10)

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He Understands Me

Marge Singleton and Merle Kilgore cowrote a song that was a hit for Teresa Brewer at the end of the "doo wop" era, entitled "He Understands Me." The heart of the lyrics, which are repeated, is: "He understands me the way you never did. He loves me the way you never did. He takes the time to notice I'm around. He builds me up, he never lets me down." This is obviously a song about young love and a young woman who has found somebody much better than her "ex." This is the age old complaint of many a man and woman, of feeling taken for granted.

But in the most important relationship you can have, you have Someone who understands you better than you understand you. He wants a relationship with you and He went further to prove it than anyone else ever will or could. He left a place of safety to suffer. He left a position of supremacy to be a servant. He left the peer-ship of sovereignty for submission. He limited Himself to humanity without surrendering His deity to save the most important of every person, including you. Because He successfully navigated the perils of this life, He can offer you eternal life.

Meanwhile, there are daily benefits for you because "the Word became flesh" (John 1:1-2,14).

Intercession. Paul says, "Who is the one who con-demns (cf. lays a charge against God's elect, 33)? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us" (Rom. 8:34). The Hebrews' writer adds, "He always lives to make intercession for [those who draw near to God through Him]" (Heb. 7:25). He earnestly appeals to God with urgency and intensity for you. Try to picture that. He's addressing God for you!

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Intervention. Hebrews 2, which warns against the possibility of drifting away from Jesus, gives a multitude of reasons why you would never want to do that. One reason was He became one of us to die for us (9). His appearance here helped Him understand by experience your struggles (10). He claims you as spiritual family (11-13). He went to war with the devil for you and won (14-15). He gives you help (16). He paved the way for God's favor toward you (17). The writer says He had to become one of us to be a "merciful and faithful high priest...", and being tempted "He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted" (17-18). When you appeal to Him for help, He will!

Invitation. Knowing that Jesus has been through what you've been through, by itself, is comforting. Hebrews 4:15 says your high priest sympathizes with your weaknesses, having been tempted in all things like you are except that He never sinned. Those facts lead to a consequence, signaled by the "therefore" of verse 16. Because Jesus successfully took your place, you get to go someplace you otherwise *never* could! You can go directly to the Father's throne of grace. You can do so *confidently* (boldly!). When you do, you will not only find "help" (same word as "aid" in 2:18) but you also grab hold of mercy and grace. You can step inside the greatest power source in the universe for help, pity, and favor, and you are invited to do so!

Do you know why you have intercession, intervention, and invitation? Because He understands you! He's been through what you've been through. He knows. He gets it. But, combined with that, "He is able" (Heb. 7:25)! Are you taking advantage of these benefits? Why would any of us neglect to do so?

Neal Pollard

PRAYER LIST

Sara Koontz remains in ICU. She has an infection in the 2nd and 3rd vertebrae of her neck and is on another antibiotic. She is very weak and the family is in need of prayer.

Nancy Koontz had surgery Thursday to repair her ankle.

Belinda Nuckols had a blood clot in her leg.

Evie Collin, a three year old girl, underwent brain surgery.

Charlotte, two year old great-niece of Beth Cassidy, has a fatal brain disease.

Calvin Fisher, Steve Brown's grandfather

Paul Johnson has a serious internal infection.

Jerry Stanley

Charles Brown, father of Sheron Ward's worker

Bubba Cannon, friend of Gary Dull

Jessica Bruce, friend of Roxanne, has heart failure.

Mary Poindexter, Nancy Koontz's friend

Mildred Phelps, Nancy Koontz's mother

Steve Capps, Deborah Dull, Joe Koontz, Sylvia White

Shut-Ins: Robert Cole, Vergie Farmer, Estelle Kluttz, Sadie Rice, Wanda Scott, Dorothy Smith, Bailey Walker

AREA EVENTS

August 12-15 Gospel Meeting at Redland CofC

September 8 Saturday CBC Blue Grass Festival

September 8 Saturday Youth Conference at Warners
Chapel church of Christ

September 29 Saturday Youth Day at Highland Acres



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Vergie Farner Thursday August 16