To know HIM and to make HIM known

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Service Times

Sunday:

Bible Study......9:45 am Worship......10:45 am

LifeGroups

Wednesday:

Bible Study......7-8:00pm

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Weekly Newsletter of the Kanawha City Church of Christ

ARE YOU LISTENING?

Raise your hand if you are a parent that has a child that listens to and does everything that you say. It's okay that I can't actually see you, I can tell that you are not raising your hand. Anyone who has ever been a parent, teacher, babysitter, aunt, uncle, or has ever even known a child has probably witnessed a child that wasn't listening.

I have had a few encounters with a child that wasn't listening. I guess that is just how life goes when you have a 4 year old and an 18 month old. The other day I was having a conversation with my 4 year old about how little boys need to listen to their Mommy and Daddy. I don't remember now if I was telling him to do something or not to do something. However, after some previous back and forth of him continuously responding with "I have an idea..." and offering up another alternative to what I was saying, this is how the conversation ended:

Avery: "I have an idea, how about..."

Me: "No Avery, I have an idea. How about I be the Daddy and you be the little boy that listens to their Daddy?" **Avery:** "But Daddy... that's the worstest idea I have ever heard!"

I'm sure you can imagine my frustration at this point. I am telling him something that I want him to do and he's not listening. As the father I know what's best for him; but he keeps coming back with his own ideas. Now, he is even criticizing my ideas! It is as if he is questioning my credibility as a father.

"But Daddy... that's the worstest idea I have ever heard!" As a parent, it is frustrating when your child doesn't listen. And yet, when we have our own ideas on how we should live and it doesn't mesh up with God's; our response is essentially: "But God... that's the worstest idea I have ever heard!"

Sometimes God (the Father) tells us (His children) things we should and should not do, and we disagree. We feel that we have better ideas. We feel that His ideas are the "worstest". So, we choose not to listen. If you have ever experienced the frustration of a child that won't listen; you can imagine the frustration that God has with us when we choose not listen.

Too often, we become like little children and try to take what God says and make it fit how we want to live. We respond with: "I have an idea..." Instead, we need to realize that He is the Father and we are His children. His ideas are ALWAYS best; and we need to take how we are living and change it to fit what God says. We need to listen to His ideas.

God is the Father and we are His children. That's NOT the "worstest" idea I have ever heard!"

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." - Isaiah 55:8-9

Love you all, Stephen

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

December 3, 2017

MORNING ASSEMBLY

Front Greeter: Emily Scyoc
Usher: Richard Wagner
Worship Leader: Carson Henley
Opening Prayer: Joe Riley

Communion Preside: Chris Morris
Serve East: Jamison Wilkinson

Tom McNeely
Serve West: Alex Derenburger

Paul Cantrell

Scripture Reading:
Closing Prayer:
Contribution Tally:
Sound Booth:
PowerPoint:
Nursery:
Assistant:

Duane Scyoc
Bill Reynolds
H & R Kinder
Matt Barber
Linda Hall
Renee Morris
Alaina Morris

WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 29 December 6

Usher: Chris Morris Paul Estep
Prayer: Richard Wagner Bob Midkiff
Sound Booth: Tom McNeely
Nursery: Connie Postle Brenda Hannigan

Bible Classes from 7:00-8:00pm

Communion Preparation & Garments:

Phyllis Songer

Sunday Morning Children's Breakfast Prep:

Donna McNeely

If you cannot serve as scheduled, please contact Tom McNeely at 304-346-5212.

ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION

Attendance

Bible Class	56
Worship	103
	18
Contribution	\$3,371.80

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Those serving our country: **David Hartley, Allen Hartley, Brandon McKinney.**
- April Stewart, daughter of Bob and Cindy, granddaughter of Helen.
- Donna Sowards' sister
- Joe & Janeen Masker
- Ralph Hammitt and Nancy Duncan
- Doug Midkiff
- Tom Winnell
- Cathy Harding, mother of Julie Davis.
- Lanny Markland
- Jean Ann Hartley, Doug Hartley's mother
- Julie Farley
- Alan Newhouse
- Autumn Cole, young lady battling leukemia for the second time. Autumn is in the process of a bone marrow transplant today. Please pray for a successful surgery and recovery. #fightlikeautumn

HELP NEEDED



Nursery attendants and ushers are needed for Sunday morning services and Wednesday evening services. Please contact Tom McNeely or Amy Kuhns if you can help out.

SMILE CORNER

- Q: What type of diet did the snowman go on?

 A: The Meltdown Diet.
- Q: What did the snowman have for breakfast?

 A: Frosted Flakes.
- Q: What often falls in winter, but never gets hurt?

 A: Snow.



DATES TO REMEMBER

December 3 - Holiday Fellowship Dinner following morning worship services. Please join us and feel free to invite some friends and neighbors!

December 3 - Potter Children's Home coin cans are due. They will be picked up on December 7th from a Potters representative.

December 5 - Prayer Meeting, 6pm at the building.

December 9 - Breakfast with Santa, 9am at the church building. Everyone is welcome!

December 10 - Christmas Sing, 5:30pm in the all-purpose room. Hosted by the Hannigan LifeGroup. Bring finger foods, desserts, and a friend.

December 12 - Book Club Meeting, 7pm at the home of Linda Johnson. This will be our Book Club Christmas Exchange (Bring a book to give as a gift and take a gift book home). The book we are reading is Honeysuckle Holiday by Kathleen M. Jacobs. As always, everyone is welcome to join us. (Due to the holidays our November and December meetings are combined.)

February 16-18, 2018 - Winterfest, Gatlinburg, TN. Details to coming soon!

There will **not** be a Young At Heart Breakfast in November and December due to the holidays.

FOOD DRIVE



Our youth group is sponsoring a food drive this holiday season.
They have a goal of 750 cans to hit by Christmas and they earn a prize. Please help our teens as they try to help those in need.

Some of the most needed items are:

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned/Powered Milk, Mac and Cheese, Instant Potatoes, Flavored Noodles/Rice, Canned Meats, Canned Fruit, Beef Stew.

LIFEGROUP INFORMATION

• Chuck and Shirley Denham

5:30-6:30pm Sunday, contact Shirley for location. Studying a series titled *Right In The Eye*, by Andy Stanley.

• Tom and Brenda Hannigan 5:30-7:30 in their home. Studying Titus.

• Chris and Renee Morris

5:00-7:00pm (1st & 3rd Sundays) in their home. Studying <u>The Best Question Ever</u> by Andy Stanley.

• Bill and Darlena Reynolds

6:00-8:00pm Sunday in their home.

Studying "Living Generously," on RightNow Media.

LifeGroups are open to everyone, come anytime! Feel free to try them all!



Emily Scyoc	11/1
Cindy Stewart	11/1
Jarrell Parker	11/3
Bobbie Bayliss	11/6
Sawyer Williams	11/11
Lisa Lytle	11/12
Gene Richardson	11/14
Jessica Sowards	11/14
Sammy Altamirano	11/15
Elwood Brown	11/15
Hannah Gibson	11/18
Elaine Javins	11/24
Carolyn Moore	11/27
Goldie Jackson	11/30
Stephen Walker	11/30



Josh & Jessica Rogers	11/2
Jeff & Rebeckah Breeden	11/16
Benton & Patti Gardner	11/19
Brian & Taylor Grant	11/24

Did I miss a special day? Contact office@kccofc.org