

|                       | 4/11                | 4/18           | 4/25               |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Call To Worship       | Jonah Dawes         | Dave Rogers    | Greg Nash          |
| Scripture Reading     | Ethan Boelsterli    | Jake Garner    | Ethan Boelsterli   |
| Song Leader           | Coney Johnson       | Stan Mitchell  | Rory Bell, Sr.     |
| Prayer                | Steve Hopkins       | Ray Russell    | Ron James          |
| Preside Lord's Supper | Jim Garner          | Greg Nash      | Jim Pelfrey        |
| Usher                 | Michael Boelsterli  | Steve Burdette | Michael Boelsterli |
| Sermon                | Dave Rogers         | Jonah Dawes    | Dave Rogers        |
| Response Elder        | Tom Durden          | Tom Durden     | Tom Durden         |
| Shepherd's Prayer     | Greg Nash           | Jim Garner     | Tom Durden         |
| Evening Worship       |                     |                |                    |
| Announcements         | Jonah Dawes         | Jonah Dawes    | Jim Pelfrey        |
| Song Leader           | Coney Johnson       | Stan Mitchell  | Stan Mitchell      |
| Prayer                | Keith Killingsworth | Andy Johnson   | Eric Hagin         |
| Sermon                | Dave Rogers         | Dave Rogers    | Song Service       |
| Lord's Supper         | Jim Garner          | Greg Nash      | Jim Pelfrey        |
| Prayer                | Brad Hopkins        | Cliff Nash     | Gayle Pelfrey      |

Worship Assignment Coordinator for April: Anthony Ravenell

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<http://365.polishingthepulpit.com/>

*(free for our members!)*

**Communion Preparation**  
April — Individual Sets

**Nursery**  
(closed for now)

**Care of Building**  
4/1-15 Hugh Kelly/ Steve Hopkins  
16-30 Andy Johnson/Keith Killingsworth

**Media Center**  
Dennis Graham, Eric Hagin, Steve Esler,  
Brad Hopkins & Preston Morgan

**Wednesday Evening**  
**Devotionals**  
**April**  
14 Jim Pelfrey  
21 Eric Hagin  
28 Jimmy Garner

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Rick Sharpe, Campus Director

**Assembly Schedule:**  
**Sunday**  
9:00 am Bible Classes  
10:00 am Worship Service  
5:00 pm Worship Service

**Tuesday Morning Bible Study**  
- Resumes *September, 2021*

**Wednesday Evening**  
**Bible Classes at 7pm**

**Gospel Meeting**  
**Bremen**  
**Church of Christ**  
**FAITH UNDER**  
**FIRE**  
**May 2-6, 2021**  
**Speaker:**  
**Jason Jackson**

**WATCH! *The Fountain of Life***  
**With Larry Acuff**

Saturdays at 7 am on channel 57

**In SEARCH of the Lord's Way**  
**With Phil Sanders**  
Sunday at 7:30am  
Stations 69 or 45

**The Gospel of Christ**  
Red Hill church of Christ  
(McMinnville, TN)  
with Ben Bailey  
Sunday at 6:30 am on Station 69 or  
Comcast Station 45

**Elders**

|             |                |
|-------------|----------------|
| Tom Durden  | (770) 652-7389 |
| Jim Garner  | (770) 461-3197 |
| Greg Nash   | (404) 455-1546 |
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**Deacons**

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| Dennis Graham | Stan Mitchell    |
| Eric Hagin    | David Poskevich  |
| David Hopkins | Anthony Ravenell |
| Hugh Kelly    | Rick Sharpe      |
| Andy Johnson  | Jack Sorrell     |

**Records You Made – April 4**

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Bible Classes         | 72 & 12 Units Online  |
| 10 am Worship         | 127 & 35 Units Online |
| 5 pm Worship          | 68 & 11 Online        |
| Offering              | \$10,706.90           |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 51                    |



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**Basic Facts about ... MATTHEW (Part 3)**

*by Dave Rogers*

“Caution: Engage mind *before* engaging mouth” might be words of warning every person should review, before speaking in any situation. Jesus declares in Matthew 12:34 that our words reveal our inner man, and then goes on to emphasize that one’s actions are consistent with his thoughts (vs. 35, which echoes the basic point of Proverbs 23:7). Our Lord follows this with a warning, that each of us will have to account to God for *every idle word* we speak (vs. 36)! “Idle” denotes *emptiness*, or *carelessness*, and its root can even signify laziness in some circumstances. The cautionary words of verse 37 should “seal the deal” in motivating Christians to mind our speech; even our words will be considered in the day of judgement!

Chapter fourteen records the gruesome death of one of God’s greatest servants – the prophet, John the baptizer. John had been imprisoned by order of Herod because he spoke boldly about the king’s immoral relationship with Herodias. This wicked woman had deserted her legitimate husband (Herod’s brother Philip) in order to marry Herod, whose political “star” was rising. John had told the king plainly that he violated God’s law by marrying her (historically, both Jewish and Roman societies were scandalized by this event). Herodias hated John for this, and he paid for his boldness with his freedom. Matthew reveals that this venal woman seized an opportunity to ensure that John ultimately paid for his courage with his life (vv. 6-8), and Herod reluctantly gave the order to behead him (vv. 10-12). John’s sterling example of courage, and determined faithfulness to God and His message ought to inspire every Christian to maintain our dedication to the Lord in every circumstance and at all costs!

When the Pharisees and scribes challenged Jesus about allowing His disciples to violate their traditions (Matthew 15:1-2), our Lord used the opportunity to illustrate a very important point about what “counts” in religion. They had placed greater emphasis on the traditions of their ancestors than on keeping the Lord’s commandments (vv. 3-6): Jesus quoted Isaiah 29:13 to show that they had negated the value and purpose of their own worship by doing this. Not all “traditions” are bad or wrong (see 2 Thessalo-

nians 2:15), but when we substitute things that we want or like for things that God commands, we have “dethroned” Him in our lives by replacing *His* will with *ours*. One of the basic points Jesus taught in the model prayer is to pray “*thy will be done*” (Matthew 6:10), not “my will be done.” In every aspect of life, it is vitally important for Christians to remember Who is ultimately in charge and control of all things (and it’s NOT us!).

In many ways, the conversation in Matthew 16:13-20 is the pivotal teaching of the entire book of Matthew. Through simple questions, Jesus guided the disciples to acknowledge His own identity, to grasp His fundamental purpose in this world, to comprehend the power He was bringing to bear in accomplishing that purpose, and to envision their own role in building His kingdom. Peter’s forthright statement in verse 16 (“*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God*”) settles once and for all the question of whether or not Jesus and His disciples knew “Who” He was before the cross. The word “Christ” is the Greek counterpart to “Messiah” in the old testament, and in the Jewish mind “Messiah” would be the fulfillment of all God’s promises from Abraham forward. Peter further cements his understanding of the Lord’s identity by describing Him as the “Son” of the living God – the One who is directly related to Him, entitled to share in His glory.

Many mistakenly infer from the Lord’s response to Peter’s confession (vs. 18) that Peter himself is the “rock” on which Jesus would build His church. This interpretation is the basis of Roman Catholicism’s claim that Peter was the original pope, and it overlooks the wordplay that is very obvious in the original Greek language. “Petros” (Peter) is the word for a pebble or small stone, while “petra” (rock) is the word for a *bed-rock*, a *large boulder* or *mountain ledge*. The “rock” on which Jesus promised to build His church was the fact that Peter confessed – that Jesus is the Messiah – not the man Peter himself. Jesus also *equates* the church and the kingdom here, connecting the existence of one (vs. 18) with the other (vs. 19).



16th Annual  
Bible Lectureship  
Saturday, May 1, 2021

# GENDER & GODLINESS



9:00 - GENDER & CREATION - Jason Eickmeyer

9:30 - GENDER & MARRIAGE / FAMILY - Michael Taylor

10:00 - GENDER & THE CHURCH - Justin Mason

10:30 - GENDER & SOCIETY - Godfrey Fisher

11:00 - GENDER & ETERNITY - Neal Pollard

11:30 - AWARDS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 Noon - HONORS RECEPTION



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## Youth Calendar



### April

16 - Movie Night (Teens)

21 - Mid Week Eat (5:30pm)

30 - Movie Night (Frogs)



### May



12 - Class by the Fire Pit (Teens)

14 - Movie Night (Teens)



28 - Movie Night (Frogs)

31 - Lock-In (9pm-7am)

### June

4 - Move Night (Teens)

8-10 - Guy's/Girl's Trip

13-18 - Camp Inagehi

23 Mid Week Eat (5:30pm)



25 - Frogs Zoo Day (9am-1pm)



29 - Paintball (Teens)

### July

2 - Movie Night (Teens)

7 - Mid Week-Eat (5:30pm)



11-14 - VBS

19-21 - White Water Rafting

26 - Movie Night (Frogs)



### WELCOME, VISITORS!

We consider it a privilege to have you worship with us today. Please stay for a few minutes after worship so we can get acquainted with you, and you with us. **Please complete an Attendance Card**, located on the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate. We have an attended nursery and a training/cry room available.

Today's sermon can be viewed online by going to [www.fcoc.com](http://www.fcoc.com) – click on "live broadcast."

## Family Matters

### Our Sick:

Tom Belk – Is waiting on thyroid biopsy and heart test results.

Linnie Watters – Curtis Hurt's sister has terminal cancer. Keep the family in your prayers.

Georgia Watty – (Grandmother of Jasmine Peeler) Has been moved to a rehab facility in PTC.

Doris Buckner – Is not feeling well due to a heart issue. She is at home, but is not up to visitors.

Larry & Margie Fields – Both are home, cards, calls and prayers are appreciated.

Mary Lawrence – Is home, and cards, calls and prayers are appreciated.

Jean Johnson – Is recovering at home and needs our prayers.

Forest Chapman – Health is improving and he can now receive phone calls and loves getting cards. Please continue to pray for him and Burma.

Richard Harp – (Preacher at Tara) is home. Keep Dixie and their family in your prayers.

### Waiting on Heart Transplant:

Preston Morgan

### Members With Health Issues:

Bill & Jo Ruffer, Allene Scoma, Tom Belk, Steve Burdette, Dale

& Susan Findley, Doris Buckner, Paul & Decieta Lyons, Wayne & Betty Jo Nash, Jim & Sharon O'Brien, Lewis & Linda Armstrong, RuPearl Sharpe, Harry & Mattie Williams, Ray & Tina Russell, David & Sue Riley, Dennis & Marlene Etheridge

### Shut-ins:

Equillar Butler, Una Forston, Lucille Amon, Forest & Burma Chapman, David Nash, Joanne Crook, Kathleen Garner, Alyce Hubbert, Joe Clark, Bernice Gillespie, Frances Elder, Ruby Fowler and Jane Lankford

### Our Missionaries and their families:

Graham & Beth McDonald; Victor & Esperanza González Geronimo; Forest & Burma Chapman; Scott & Rebecca Shanahan.

### Others With Health Problems:

Maude Hornsby (Sharon O'Brien's cousin), David & Debbie Decker, Mike Cawthon (Jenny Gwinn's father), Cheryl Richards (Tara COC), Dan Winkler, Elbert Mitchell (Sue Riley's brother), Stan Ward, Bob & Nancy Neff (Amy Nash's parents), Marvin Cook (Jean Johnson's bro.), Joyce Greene, Kathy Gullledge, Evelyn Walker (Mattie Williams' sis-in-law), Sherry Etheridge & Kelly Stoneheart (Etheridge's daughters), Maggie Mills (preacher's wife at Eatonton, GA), Mindy Sims, Alvin Elder (Decieta Lyons' bro.), Mia Marques (Chrystine Fields' mother), Ruby June Cotter (Andrew Dalman's cousin), Irving & Cornelia Rose (Larry's parents), Richard & Cathy Oliver (Brenda Mitchell's stepfather & mother), Zane Cauty (3 yrs. old), Mary Mackie (Linda Johnson's mother), Nancy Ford (Joann Crook's sister), Lil Cauthen (Poskevich family) and Joe & Judy Hand (Scoma family).

(NOTE: Please help us keep this list up-to-date!)

"Girl" Baby Shower for  
Tara Nash  
Today at 3pm  
in the Fellowship Hall  
Registered at "Babylst"

BRIDE  
TO  
BE

April 18 - Bridal Shower for Cara Lambert  
(Jonah's fiancée)  
in the Fellowship Hall from 3-4:30pm  
and  
Grooms Shower for Jonah Dawes  
at the home of Jim Pelfrey  
(Gift cards)  
*The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target & Amazon*

May 2nd  
**Senior Recognition Dinner**  
**2020-2021 Seniors -**  
Cameron Correll,  
Morgan Boelsterli,  
and Jake Garner

**Parents, the office needs your senior's  
picture and school information.**

**Please let the office know  
if we missed your senior.**