

## January

Jan 12 Botkin Care & Rehab Devotional at 3:00 p.m.  
Jan 15 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.  
Jan 16 Gals & Gab at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room  
Jan 19 Botkin Care & Rehab Devotional at 3:00 p.m.  
Jan 22 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.  
Jan 22 Bring cookies for Winfield Rest Haven  
Jan 26 4th Sunday Luncheon after morning services  
Jan 26 Botkin Care & Rehab Devotional at 3:00 p.m.  
Jan 26 Elders/Deacons meet at 7:00 p.m.  
Jan 29 Teen Supper in the Basement at 6:30 p.m.  
Jan 30 Man-Up meets at 6:00 p.m. details to follow

## SOUP & SCRIPTURE NIGHT

Gals & Gab will meet at 6:00 p.m. on January 16 for a Soup & Scripture night. Come and enjoy a warm bowl of soup while we share ideas for scripture writing and more. Also, if anyone would like to plan a night in at the church building, out somewhere, or host one at their house, we will have a sign up sheet for you to schedule a date. We need hosts for February, March, April and May.

## NOTE FROM TOM & HELEN

Tom & I are in Phnom Penh. Had a good trip here. We are feeling good today and have not even been tempted to go to sleep in the daytime yet. Even Tom. We are staying in the Best Center for a short time as the road in front of the apartment we will be staying is being paved. BE FLEXIBLE! That is the first thing we learned in LST training. The new location is a good place. We look forward to working here. I have started a blog. Have not entered since we arrived but did post a short not before we left. The address is <https://tomandhelen2019.blogspot.com>. It is quite warm here! Love you all, Helen and Tom

## FELLOWSHIP ROOM SCHEDULE

January 16—Gals & Gab—6:00 p.m.  
January 26—4th Sunday Luncheon  
January 30—Man-Up meets

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

**We need volunteers! Sign up across from the office!**

### January

Jan 12 Linda Wartick & Teylin Wartick & Arallai Wartick  
Jan 19 Jill DeJarnett & Piper Dodds

Jan 26 Shelly Brown & \_\_\_\_\_

### February

Feb 02 Sarah Bradbury & Jordyn Clark  
Feb 09 Linda Wartick & Teylin Wartick & Arallai Wartick  
Feb 16 Darlene Cooney & \_\_\_\_\_

## FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

### Why Jesus is Polarizing

Jesus was incredibly controversial in His time here and He continues to be just as controversial today. Why is that?

When I read the Gospels, it is clear that, generally speaking, people either loved, hated or were indifferent to Jesus. He was loved for his message of hope and his generosity in healing and feeding people. That's the easy part to understand.

The difficult part is understanding why he was hated. Here are some reasons, which are by no means exhaustive. He was hated because He didn't do everything the people wanted Him to do. People wanted different, specific things from Jesus, but as a whole the people wanted Jesus to overthrow the Roman Empire. He wouldn't do it. He could've, but didn't. Instead He taught,

John 18:36 - ***“My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, then My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over to the Jews; but as it is, My kingdom is not of this realm.”***

Despite all else He did, this was reason enough for many to turn away from Him.

Jesus was also hated because His teaching differed from the mainstream religious teaching of His day. The religious authorities of the Scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees had greatly distorted the Scriptures and as if that wasn't bad enough, they added a multitude of religious teachings that they taught had the same weight and authority as God's Word.

Jesus not only tore down their false teachings but also reprimanded them for those teachings. He said things of them like,

Matthew 15:14 - ***“Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if a blind man guides a blind man, both will fall into a pit.”***

When Jesus didn't toe the religious line, the murder plots soon began.

I've saved what I believe to be the main reason why people hated Jesus for last. Jesus was hated because He denounced sin. Nobody was offended when Jesus healed a disease. Nobody was offended  
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## PRAYER LIST

**Bob Brownlee**-home recovering from a fall

**Yvonne Bennett**-dealing with cancer and treatments

**Sandy Albin**-dealing with cancer and treatments

**Justin Light**-grandson of Kirkwood's, serious 4-wheeler accident

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when Jesus provided a free meal. People were offended by the truth. Today, people are still offended by the truth.

Try it out. If you do things to help people, they are generally thankful and appreciative. If you couple your good deeds with the message that all people are sinners who are helpless and hopeless unless they turn to Jesus, and ONLY Jesus in faith and repentance...brace yourself for the backlash.

To most of the Jewish people that Jesus preached to, the message of repentance was offensive because they didn't see any need to repent. They were descendants of Abraham. They believed their birthright was eternal life. They did not believe that they needed to put their faith in Jesus or repent.

What about people today? For most, if you don't lose them with an explanation of faith and repentance, you'll likely lose them with the exclusivity that Jesus demands. The most offensive thing that Jesus is know for today is His teaching,

John 14:6 - ***I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.***

Jesus was polarizing then and He is polarizing today because He demands that you make a decision. Are you with Him or against Him? The line is drawn. He drew the line. I pray that you choose life.

If you want to follow Jesus and give your life to Him, give me a call or send me an email. Schedule a time to come and discuss what it means to be a Christian. I'm here for you, but more importantly, Jesus is here for you. He's calling your name.

Wes LeFlore (918) 607-8489 or [huskerwes1@gmail.com](mailto:huskerwes1@gmail.com)

*We are glad that you have joined us in worshipping our God.  
Please feel at home with our family.*



**THE POWER OF THE KING:  
THE POWER TO FORCE A DECISION**

Matthew 9:33b-35

*...and the crowds were amazed, and were saying, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel." But the Pharisees were saying, "He casts out the demons by the ruler of the demons." Jesus was going through all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness.*

Different Responses to Jesus:

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Application:

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Notes:

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

**SUNDAY, 10:30 AM**  
SCRIPTURE READING  
PRAYER  
COMMUNION

USHERS  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**SUNDAY, 6:00 PM**  
PRAYER  
COMMUNION  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM**  
LEAD SINGING  
DISMISSAL PRAYER

**ATTENDANCE**  
**SUNDAY—December 29**

BIBLE CLASS.....	59
A.M. WORSHIP.....	92
P.M. WORSHIP.....	45
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$4,364

**WEDNESDAY—January 8**  
Auditorium—25    Teens—10    Bible Hour—15    Nursery—5  
**Total—55**

**COMMUNION PREP**  
January      LeFlore Family

**COORDINATOR**  
January      Kevin Dodds

**ELDERS**  
Rex Harris      Marvin Kline  
Ed Newberry    Tom Norris

**DEACONS**  
Kevin Dodds    Aaron Hines  
Leroy Lewis    Mike Neal  
David Pierce    Alan Shields

**MINISTER**  
Wes LeFlore

**January 12**  
Mike Neal  
Roger Brownlee  
Wade Pierce, Levi Turney  
Chris Dillon, Aaron Hines  
John Rayl, Larry Helton  
Rex Harris

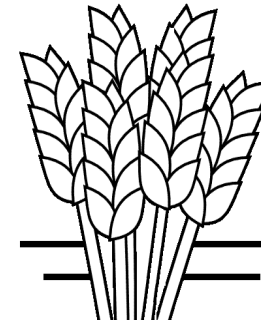
**January 12**  
Tom Kirkwood  
Levi Turney, Chris Dillon  
Rex Harris

**January 15**  
David Pierce  
Brian Turney

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

*Sunday*  
Bible Classes.....9:30 A.M.  
Worship.....10:30 A.M.  
Children's Worship.10:30 A.M.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.  
Children's Class.....6:00 P.M.

*Wednesday*  
Ladies Bible Class....9:30 A.M.  
Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.



*"Reaching Inward, Outward  
Upward, Downward"*

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Church of Christ**

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 12, 2020

Call to Worship

Song #450      "Give Me the Bible"

Song #777      "Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer"

Prayer

Scripture      Isaiah 45:22-25

Song #366      "By Christ Redeemed"

Lord's Supper

Song #634      "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes"

Lesson

Song #948      "I Am Resolved"

Closing Prayer

*Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.*