



Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, February 24, 2019

Why Can't I Judge?

The problem with criticism is that the victim simply cannot win. A critic does not feel the need to be consistent, or fair, simply critical. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he does not. But note that the standard that will be used to judge me will be the standard with which I judge others (**Matthew 7:12**). Is that a comforting thought? When you think of God using this criteria to judge you, do you sigh with relief or shake in fear?

Were you hasty in your judgment? Did you collect all the facts before speaking? You *were* merciful in your evaluation, right? And naturally you considered his best interest when you passed on your criticism to others.

In that case, you have nothing to worry about. God will treat you with the same measure of mercy and kindness as you did your brother.

So why is it wrong to judge and criticize others?

* **We Can't See All the Facts:** We are limited human beings. That means that we don't always have the right information. God, on the other hand, sees everything (**Psalm 139:1-10; 1 Corinthians 4:5**). God knows the motives of our hearts.

There was a dog and a boy who disappeared. That night when the dog returned alone, there was blood on his fur. The father took the dog outside and shot him. The boy's body was found the next morning hiding in the rocks with a dead lion beside him. Check all the facts, and even then be very careful before you shoot the dog!

* **We Can't Be Completely Impartial:** We are the product of a life-time of education (**Acts 10:34,35; 1 Peter 1:17**). We are taught to be repelled by caterpillars and termites, yet the African people eat them as delicacies.

We need to draw the distinction between someone who acts differently from me, and someone who is wrong. We will have to avoid thinking there are only two ways to do a thing – "my way," and "the wrong way."

***It's Not Our Place:** Only the faultless can find fault (**John 8:1-11; Acts 17:31**) The Lord, the righteous judge alone can judge. Every time we have said why we should not criticize and judge we have contrasted this with the truth that God can judge.

Let's be candid. This is a "saint's sin." We don't murder, commit adultery, all those "terrible" sins. We just rip each other to pieces for minor infractions, we hand out sentences of death on the gallows for "J" walking. That's what most gossip and criticism amounts to.

It is interesting how very hurt we become when we are the subject of criticism, and how quickly we develop amnesia when we are the critics.

Some believe that we can speak against others if it is true. "But what I said was true," we protest (**James 4:11,12**). James simply says not to speak against our brethren. Period. "Dumping" on the church of Christ has become a cottage industry in some circles. Trashing one's own local fellowship of the church has, too. I am fascinated by the personal pronouns people use with respect to their own church. "They aren't friendly at this church." "They don't have a quality education program." "They aren't evangelistic there." *My friends, if you are a Christian and you worship here, then the proper pronoun is "we."*
By Stan Mitchell

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NOTES

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SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the family & friends of Stan Mitchell, Chris Wheat's Uncle, at his passing.

We extend our sympathy to the family & friends of Wanda Knutson (former member) at her passing.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rita Johnson, Gale Cogliati's sister in law, passed away Thursday morning.

Nancy Fletcher is at The Atrium of Bellmead for rehab.

Larry Havard Sr is in St Catherines in room 3235 on the 2nd floor.

PRAY FOR

➤ Dolores Davis, Larry Havard Sr, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington, Jackie Walker, Mark Hardwick, Maudine Reed, Diana Grant (broken ankle) Garland Haverkamp, Kelli Volcik, Darlene Chatman, Warren Garland, James Lewis, Anna Mullins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, David Banda, David Anderson, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Raspberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Joey Primeaux, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Larry Lykins, Wanda Knutson, Rick Keeton.

The Atrium of Bellmead

Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans & Nancy Fletcher.

St Catherines

Larry Havard Sr room 3235 on the 2nd floor.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Joe Saucedo (19) Peyton Winget (19) Paisley Helpert (20) Melva Smallwood (23) Nelson Moore (24) John Nelson (25) Xavier Evans (29) Shirley & James Woodlock (23)

OTHER NEWS

Men's training class will be today from 5:15 to 5:45.

Wednesday night meal starting at 5:30. Sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Youth Leadership Retreat Friday March 15th thru Sunday March 17th at Christian Hensel Youth Camp. Please let Joe or Sandi Saucedo know once your youth are registered so that they can be added to the travel roster.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 9th wedding shower for Kandace Fedro from 3 – 5 at Dovie Burrows.

March 10th change time. Spring forward.

March 10th Men's training class 5:15 to 5:45.

March 23rd Stronger Marriages workshop.

March 31st Pot Luck after morning worship.

March 31st singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1:30..

March 31st No Evening Services.

April 6th FAC reserved for Billy Evans 90th birthday.

April 28th Pot Luck after morning worship

April 28th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1.

April 28th No evening services.

May 24th FAC reserved for the Fedro's.

May 26th Pot Luck after morning worship.

May 26th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1:30.

May 26th No evening services.

May 29th singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 7pm.

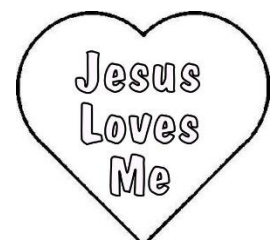
June 14 & 15 FAC reserved for the Bancales.

August 3rd FAC reserved for Kenny Willis.

August 24th FAC reserved for the Commanders.

December 2nd through 7th garage sale work days and garage sale.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

187 – Great Is the Lord
166 – He’s My King

Prayer: David Ellis

Song Order:

506 – No One Ever Cared for Me like Jesus
287 – There Is a Redeemer

Scripture:

Luke 24: 28 - 35

Communion:

Bill Acock Charlie Scott
Karl Helpert Mike Olson

Song Order:

567 – Restore My Soul
1014 Jesus Loves Me

Children go to the front of the auditorium

Song Order:

650 – Send the Light

Sermon by Eric Wharton

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Invitation Song:

927 – Why Keep Jesus Waiting?

(Opportunity for response to the message)

Closing Prayer: Eric Wharton

	<u>Week of Feb 10</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>50</u>	<u>48</u>
AM Worship	<u>102</u>	<u>104</u>
PM Worship	<u>34</u>	<u>43</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>45</u>	<u>54</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2,802</u>	<u>\$4,525</u>

Northside Leadership

Elders

Phil Bancale
Chris Borland
Aubrey Minchew
Nelson Moore

Deacons

Randy Eubank
Karl Helpert
Joe Saucedo

Minister

Chris Wheat
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Worship Leader

Chris Borland
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Words of Wisdom



The wise carry their knowledge as they do their watches—not for display, but for their own use.