

East Wood

church of Christ

PARIS TN

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Phillip Brown	Adam Killion
Troy Buttrely	Mike McDaniel
Bob Comer	John McDavid
Adam Currence	Jason Scarbrough
Lavelle Davidson	Jason Smith
Philip Davidson	Lance Winders

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday AM Bible Study-9:30am
Worship-10:30am
Sunday PM Worship-6:00pm
Wednesday PM Bible Study-7:00pm

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Live Radio Broadcast-10:30am
AM 1000, 97.5 FM
Charter-Channel 195
Sunday @ 9:00am

Minister-Josh Manning
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HEAR THE GOSPEL ON CABLE TV AND SATELLITE EACH SUNDAY

Charter Cable:

6:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-
Channel 15
6:30am Fabric of Family-
Channel 16
7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way-
Channel 13
7:30am Preaching the Gospel-
Channel 13
8:00am Good News Today-
Channel 13

WBBJ-TV/CBS-Charter Channel 708

7:00am A Bible Answer

Dish TV & Direct TV-Channel 30:

7:00am In Search of the Lord's Way
7:30am Preaching the Gospel
8:00am Good News Today

THEME FOR 2019: "COMMUNITY"

BACK TO YARD WORK

by Josh Manning

Last Monday I dragged my lawn mower out of the shed, pretended like I knew something about checking the oil, filled the gas tank with ethanol-free gas, and began the long forgotten weekly ritual of cutting grass. When you think about it, the task of yard work is embedded in the story of our creation. Genesis 2:15 states, "*Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to **tend** and **keep** it.*" By looking at a simple definition of the two words "tend" and "keep" we learn that God intended for Adam (and by extension, his offspring) to diligently care for the place he called home. In so doing he would serve as a steward over the part of God's creation that his life came in contact with.

I find it very interesting that out of everything God created, the only place where we find Him commissioning stewards is where there is life—earth. This means, at the very least, that there is something about *life* that, while declared "good" over and over again throughout Genesis 1, requires constant attention, affection, and direction. Life contains vast potential. And God knew that for that potential to be realized, life requires someone to guide it. The plant life of the garden needed the attention of Adam and Eve. All living creatures were placed under the dominion of man (Genesis 1:26-28). And mankind was created to live in subjection to the Divine directives of the Creator.

Paul wrote in 2Timothy 3:16 that, "*All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.*" From the very beginning, the principle way that God directs human life is through revelation. God has not left us to figure out, through trial and error, how to live the way we were created to live. He has always communicated His will to us. Today we know that the greatest and final communication of God's will came through Jesus and was confirmed and completed through the ministry of the Holy Spirit—we call this the New Testament (Heb. 1:1-2; 2:1-4; John 16:5-15; Jude 1:3). This revelation guides us today in godly living and will "keep" our lives holy and righteous.

When we look at the words Paul used in 2Timothy 3:16 we could say that our lives are the yard that continuously needs tending, and God's revelation—as the tool of the Holy Spirit—is the gardener. Like a yard or a garden, our lives should be shaped and organized by God's revelation. Paul used the words "doctrine" and "instruction in righteousness" to express these ideas. And just as a yard requires continual attention, so our lives need the continual guidance of God. Paul also used the words "reproof" and "correction" as he spoke of the purpose of revelation. Have you noticed that mowing the lawn once does not keep the yard looking good all year, just like a garden does not flourish if you only remove the weeds once? Instead, we have to continually work to "correct" the growth of nature to keep our properties looking habitable and civilized. In the same way, the Spirit rebukes and corrects us as we go through life when we submit to His inspired guidance. Just as we work to maintain our yards, we should allow God to maintain our lives and remove what doesn't belong. All life is blessed with vast potential and we should be humble enough to realize ours through God's inspired cultivation and direction.

STATE OF THE YOUTH

DIVINE SELF-EXISTENCE

by Ethan Schulte

In conjunction with last week's analysis of divine eternity, we will now examine the self-existence of God. Mankind has been fascinated by the concept of existence itself for a long time, and one foundational question has arisen out of that fascination: How did the universe come into existence? For the student of science who denies the possibility of anything existing outside the physical universe, and conducts all scientific research, experiments, and reasoning based on that assumption, the first question has proven to be very difficult to answer. There is a certain observable law that the physical universe is "winding down" or becoming more disorderly over time. This leads the scientific inquirer to look for a certain beginning of the universe, for if the universe were eternal, it would have wound all the way down to its demise by now. But as that scientist considers the beginning of the universe, he must contend with another law of the physical world: that matter and energy cannot be created or destroyed. So even if he could determine a beginning point in the universe in time, the laws of physics render a "physical beginning" as impossible. There must be a point when physical matter and energy were created since they cannot have existed forever, and there is no physical way to make that happen. We are aware of attempts to overcome this problem with certain theories, but even as those theories continue to deny the existence of things outside of the physical realm, they themselves are unable to truthfully abide by the laws of the physical universe.

For the student of science who is open to the idea of existence outside of the physical realm, there is a possible answer to this question. Since there is no solution that can exist under the laws of the physical universe, there must be another realm that does not abide by the laws of physics, which contains an entity or entities that are both intelligent and powerful enough to bring this realm into existence. The wonderful thing is that those entities that created this physical world have not ceased to exist, nor have they remained silent. Instead, they have revealed themselves to us as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, comprising the one true God. When God revealed Himself to Moses at the burning bush, and Moses asked who He was, God identified Himself as "I AM WHO I AM." When Jesus was being questioned by the Jews, He affirmed to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." The Godhead is the essence of existence, it is the I AM. Nothing caused them to exist, nothing can cause them

to not exist. As the divine Self-Existence, God is the only possible solution to the existence of the physical universe, and just as the creator of a game has the authority to define the rules of said game, God is the only one with the authority to define and enforce the rules over His creation. What a blessing it is that the only being with supreme authority over us and our world is the being who is the embodiment of supreme love.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Introducing the East Wood Summer Camp Fund

The East Wood Summer Camp Fund is a fund of special donations separate from the normal Sunday contribution. The intention of the fund is to ensure that all of our young people who desire to attend a spiritually engaging camp during the summer are able to do so. These camps include Horizons, WKYC, and MSYC. Regardless of one's financial situation, we want every child to take advantage of this fund once per summer. Simply inform Ethan of which camp your child wishes to attend by means of this fund and he will help you register. If you would like to donate to this fund, please speak to Ethan or one of the elders.

High School Graduation 2019

To all high school seniors and their parents / guardians who attend the East Wood church of Christ, please prepare the following things: a statement regarding your plans after high school, your preferred translation of the Bible, and at least 20 pictures of yourself through the years. Please give these things to Ethan no later than May 5th to ensure your inclusion in our Graduation Banquet on May 19th.

ENGAGE: 1st—3rd Sunday of the month, after AM service

1st Sunday: Potluck meal in MPR before singing

2nd Sunday: Go out to eat before singing

3rd Sunday: Lunch on your own, meet at the building (1:45 PM) to go to the singing then to Ethan & Alyssa Schulte's home.

Youth Devotionals- Every fourth Sunday

3rd-6th grade after A.M. Service

7th-12th grade after P.M. Service

Guys Bring Drinks, Girls Bring Desserts.

3rd-6th grade @ home of Sue Claxton, 7th-12th grade @ home of Mary Lynn Summers.

BLAST! 3rd—6th grade, date changed from May 11th to May 18th.

BIRTHDAYS

Madison Watkins	April 29
Kelsey Peoples	May 7
Logan Davidson	May 13
Stewart Archer	May 17
Jacob Cuthbertson	May 17
Clay Durham	May 18
Hayes Hutson	May 18
Fairlight Atkins	May 31

GREETER	OUR ATTITUDE
APRIL 28 Mike & Candy McDaniel	Sunday AM Bible Study.....233
MAY 5 Jerry & Terri Peale	Sunday AM Worship.....326
	Sunday PM Worship.....175
	Wednesday PM Bible Study.....207
	This week's contribution.....\$7674
	Weekly Budget.....\$8690

FOOD PANTRY
Canned Potatoes, Canned Pinto/Great Northern/Pork-N-Beans, Ramen
Noodles, Spam, Canned Peaches / Pears, Pop Tarts

BOYS TO PICK-UP CARDS
Sunday, April 28th: Logan Davidson, Dominic Figurelli
Wednesday, May 1st: Hayden and Ian Figurelli

FUTURE WORSHIP LEADERS
If unable to serve, please contact Phillip Brown @ 336-1497.
Participants in the A.M. service are asked to please meet in the library following the second bell.

<u>SUNDAY A.M.</u>	<u>APRIL</u> 28	<u>MAY</u> 5
Announcements	Steve Delaney	Rudy Peoples
Song Leader	Zach Golson	Adam Currence
Opening Prayer	Philip Davidson	Billy Hensley
Scripture Reading	Caleb Griffin	Dominic Figurelli
Closing Prayer	Michael Williams	Rudy Peoples
Lord's Supper		
Presiding	Rayburn Thomason	Steve Delaney
East Side	Michael Williams Daniel Williams Bill DeWees Eddie Lane	Ethan Schulte Bobby Barton Edwin Carrington Steve Durham
West Side	Brian Foster Mike McDaniel Wes Knee	Jason Scarbrough Charles Clark Jerry Olive
Nursery	Luke Schieffer	Fred Grosbeier
Balcony	Logan Davidson Rick Moody Reece Killion	Jacob Cuthbertson Dave Perry Luke Schieffer
Alternates	Alan Shaffer Bob Perry Max Henry	Zach Golson Ron Brown Micah Sutton
<u>SUNDAY P.M.</u>	<u>APRIL</u> 28	<u>MAY</u> 5
Song Leader	Zach Golson	Adam Currence
Opening Prayer	Lance Winders	Jim Russell
Scripture Reading	David Belisle	Harrison Hutson
Lord's Supper	Silas Winders	Bob Comer
Closing Prayer	Jason Smith	Lavelle Davidson
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>MAY</u> 1	<u>MAY</u> 8
Song Leader	Aaron Hutson	Bob Perry
Invitation	Zach Golson	Michael Williams
Closing Prayer	Adam Killion	Aaron Hutson

KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Frank Parker: has been moved to Plumley Rehab - Room 67B to help him regain strength. Ruth asks for prayers; 1114 Chickasaw / Paris

Claytus Wilson: discharged from HCMC this past Thursday; 1160 Anderson Drive / Paris

David & Martha Howard: (Judy Goad's mother and father) he has been moved to the Weakly County Nursing Home - Room 40 with hospice care. She is living with Buddy and Judy while she awaits acceptance to this facility. Buddy, Judy, and family request your prayers during this time of changes.

Wesley Derrick: (Katherine Smith Attaway's nephew) 3 y.o. airlifted last Sunday to a Birmingham, AL hospital with flu and pneumonia.

Jeremy Byers: now at home and will have follow-up appointments.

THANK YOU
Dear East Wood Family, Thank you for your generosity in building the ramp for my Dad, Jerry. I appreciate all of the men who helped to build it so quickly. The church helping my family out during Dad's sickness is such a blessing. Thanks, Josh Clark

Thanks to one and all for the phone calls to check on me. I feel much better at this time. Thanks be to God for people like you. In Christian Love, Ray Tucker

RESPONSE
Edwin Carrington responded to the invitation, April 21st, 2019.

CONTINUE TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

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| Billy Bucy, Sr. | Jimmy Wynn |
| Eugenia Castleberry | Jane Barton |
| Larry Evans | Chesney Bell |
| Buddy Goad | Franklin Bell |
| Herman Jackson | Jerry Clark |
| Charlotte Loines | Mindy Coursey |
| Frank Lowery | Dale Crain |
| Edwin McCarty | Jerry Wimberly |
| Frank Parker | Carl Wright |

Life Line Screening

Offers their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at East Wood Church of Christ on 6/11/2019. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2019/20 Memorial Scholarship Fund: The East Wood Street Church of Christ MSF is offering a one-year scholarship of \$1,500, payable \$750 per semester. The student must be associated with the East Wood Street Congregation and must be attending a Christian University. The student should complete, sign, and submit an application into the Church office at East Wood Street Church of Christ by Wednesday May 15th, 2019. All MSF recipients will be announced Sunday night, May 19th, 2019 at our Graduation Banquet.

Youth Devotional: Today, April 28th, 3rd—6th grade @ the home of Sue Claxton, immediately after AM service. 7th-12th grade @ the home of Mary Lynn Summers, immediately after PM service. Guys bring drinks. Girls bring desserts.

Bridal Tea: Today, April 28th, for Patrick Peale and Holly Thompson 2:00 - 3:30 PM @ MPR. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath, & Beyond, Walmart, Jack Jones, and My Favorite Things. <https://registry.theknot.com/holly-thompson-patrick-peale-june-2019>

Deacons Meeting: Tonight, April 28th, after evening service.

FIA Team 4: Tonight after evening services, will meet at Michael and Evonne Williams home for finger foods; 69 Creekside Drive / Paris

Safari Trip: Deadline to sign-up is Today, April 28th. The trip is Saturday, May 4th. Everyone interested, sign-up sheet on Family Committee Board. Anyone age 15 years or younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

UNITE Spring Retreat: Friday & Saturday, May 3rd-4th, for the 7th—12th grade. Located at FHU Mid-South Youth Camp site.

Church of Christ, Sparks Street: Saturday, May 11, 2019, Ladies Inspiration Day. Registration 8:30 AM—9:00 AM / Program 9:00 AM / lunch following program. Speaker: Catherine Foster. Theme: A Worthy Woman (Proverbs 31:28-31) Colors: shades of pink.

New Address:
Alayna Russell
366 Myatt Road
Paris, TN 38242

DATES TO REMEMBER

- May 2: TNT 9th-12th Grade @ 6:00 PM, the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte
- May 3-4: Spring Retreat @ FHU's Mid-South Camp
- May 4: Safari Trip
- May 5: ENGAGE after AM service, potluck meal before leaving for the singing
Morningside Singing @ 2:00 PM
- May 8: Begin gathering items for graduating seniors
- May 9: TNT 9th-12th Grade @ 6:00 PM, the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte
- May 11: Clean Up Day @ 8:00 AM—11:00 AM
- May 12: HC Healthcare Singing @ 2:00 p.m.
ENGAGE after AM service, go out to eat together
- May 16: TNT 9th-12th Grade @ 6:00 PM
- May 18: BLAST! 3rd—6th grade
- May 19: Eiffel Gardens Singing @ 2:00 p.m.
ENGAGE-meet at the building @ 1:45 PM
Graduation Banquet after evening service
- May 22: TNT 9th-12th Grade @ 6:00 PM, the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte
- May 26: Youth Devotionals
- May 27: Office Closed Memorial Day
- May 30: TNT 9th-12th Grade @ 6:00 PM, the home of Ethan and Alyssa Schulte
- June 1-6: West TN Workcamp
- June 2: Morningside Singing @ 2:00 p.m.
- June 3: SYS 2019 Theme: HIS STORY, Roan's Creek
"Jesus the Word"
- June 5: WNSS-Eric Davis "Worships Together"
- June 8: POP! CANCELLED

ELDER'S CORNER

REMINDER: The elders welcome all newcomers. If you would like to be identified as a member here or if you have not had the opportunity to meet the eldership, the elders would like to meet with you briefly to introduce ourselves and to explain our position on certain issues and matters of doctrine.