

# THE ROCK HILL HERALD

Bulletin of the Rock Hill church of Christ



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### Worship Times:

- Bible Class — 9:00AM
- Sunday Worship — 10:00AM
- Sunday PM Worship — 6:00PM
- Wednesday Bible study — 7:00PM

### Elders:

- Jim Boles
- Charles Haley

### Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Doug Jones
- Burley Stinnett
- Fernando Zapata

### Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

## The church in Existence

When we study more in the New Testament regarding the church, we begin to understand the purpose for it, and how it came about. A closer look at **1 Timothy 3:15** gives insight when it says, “that thou oughtest know how to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God the pillar and ground of the truth.”

We should know that the church is not the building, but is a great deal more. In **Acts 2:47**, we find a reference to those who are “in the church”. Look more closely at the preaching of the first gospel sermon by Peter, on the day of Pentecost, in the year AD 33. There were 3,000 who were baptized. In the days following, they “continued steadfastly in the Apostle’s doctrine” the doctrine of Jesus Christ, “and the Lord added to the church daily, such as should be saved.” It is easy for us to see that the traditional church ‘building’ did not exist, but a unified group of people who shared a need to be spiritual, and respond to the call of the gospel. No one could be added to something that didn’t exist, so we understand clearly that this marks the beginning of the Lord’s church. It was the fulfillment of prophecy and helps us see that it was a part of God’s Purpose to differentiate between the way of the world, and the way of the Lord.

If we look in the Old Testament in the book of **Isaiah 2:2-3** the event that we recognize as the beginning of the church is prophesied. Look at what the Bible says, “it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow unto it. **Verse 3** says, “let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, and He will teach of his ways, and we will walk in His paths, for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem” The establishment of the church is the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophesy, for in the account of **Acts chapter 2**, all nations were present, it was at Jerusalem, the word was taught, and went forth from Jerusalem, at the hands of the Apostles, guided by the Holy Spirit of God.

What a wonderful event for us to study: It was the establishment of the church. Faith in the way and the will of God to honor His Son, and claim him as Savior. It was the death burial and resurrection of Jesus that paid the price and opened the door for the church for which he died **Acts 20:28**; it is Christ who is the Head of the church **Eph 5:23**; The church is the body of Christ **Colossians 1:18**; and according to **1 Corinthians 12:13**, “by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body” the church of our Lord. God Bless

Doug Jones

# Family News

*"For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God."* Ephesians 2:18,19



If you are a visitor to our church, welcome! If you have questions, we welcome them; please do not hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister (the tall guy) or any other church member.

## N . E . W . S .

**WELCOME TO** Jonathan and Lacy Crowell, here to interview for our youth minister position. Young people and their families are invited to meet with him, his wife, and his wonderful family after morning worship at a pizza lunch.

**THE LADIES' CLASS** meets in the fellowship hall each Tuesday at 10am.

**THE "KICK-OFF" OF CARE GROUPS** will be March 20. After March 20<sup>th</sup> morning worship services, we'll all meet for a taco lunch followed by our Care Groups meeting separately to organize themselves. And by the way, if you want to stay for the fellowship (and I know you do), let Linda Stinnett know, so be properly prepared.

**THERE'S NOW A RECYCLE BIN** in the back of the auditorium near the

water fountains. When you're done with your plastic water bottles, you can put them there and Elizabeth H. will take them where they belong.

**GIVING...** We can now give online (rhcoc.org), by mail (PO Box 2301, Frisco TX 75034), or of course in person at worship assembly.

### PRAYER LISTS...

#### New requests...

Ken Conkling has ablation procedure on his heart on Monday (3/7) at the BSW Plano Heart Hospital. They hope this procedure will get his heart back in rhythm.

#### Prayers Answered (thanks)...

- Linda Moore's niece's, Sandra, has good cancer news! She is stable at this time and her cancer marker test came down to a very low number.
- Nancy Jones' cousin Larry Rigsby got to go to rehab Wed.

#### Prayers needed

- Ora Holt
- Bonnie Davidson's niece, Brenda Gordon, who fell with several complications; now at Parkland
- Mark Berhstrom, friend of Elizabeth, back surgery
- Sherry Joy: encouragement regarding her health and future
- Kevin Kissinger, Doug and Nancy's

grandson

- Nancy J.'s cousin Brian is receiving drugs for his tumor.

- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela, paralysis, surgery, recovery, and rehab
- Maxie Savage (cousin of Nancy J.) also has COVID and AFIB
- Lori Cloud's father: some confusion
- Dianne Haley's cousin, Heather Martindale: cancer, chemo, surgery, and just lost her father.
- Travis Y. feeding tube complications
- Trelitha Bryant
- Zapata's teenage friend Isabella with a heart lesion

#### Remember these often:

- brethren in India
- the churches in New England
- our elders, deacons, and preacher

#### Long Term Requests

- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Bonnie B.
- Dianna C.
- Ken C.
- Mary H. and daughter Sharon
- Cheryl F.
- Ann S.



#### WE'RE A BIBLE-READING GROUP.

**FOLLOW THE SCHEDULE AND READ THE BIBLE THROUGH THIS YEAR — AGAIN.**

- Mar 6, Deut 24-26
- Mar 7, Deut 27-28
- Mar 8, Deut 29-31
- Mar 9, Deut 32-34
- Mar 10, Josh 1-4
- Mar 11, Josh 5-7
- Mar 12, Josh 8-9
- Mar 13, Josh 10-11

# A Word of Encouragement

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"For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it." Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

## Maybe. Maybe Not.

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**A**s I write this, Russia is invading the country of Ukraine. All Europe is on edge and European countries that used to have no interest in the NATO alliance are seriously rethinking their neutrality.

Further east, China is flying military planes over Taiwanese airspace and seem to be trying to erase the idea of international waters in the China Sea, so as to make it their exclusively controlled waterway. North Korea has been rattling its saber, too.

At home as a result of the Russian-Ukrainian war, prices on gas has dramatically gone up and consequently almost everything else we buy is too; and this trouble is falling right on the heels of COVID and the economic trouble it caused. Racial tensions in our country are way up; political division is sharper and harsher than ever; drug abuse and drug related deaths are already high and sharply on the rise; and crime is out of control in many of America's largest cities.

The world seems to be nothing but a maelstrom of news ranging from bad to horrific. I saw a darkly comedic commercial the other day that started with a "newscast" telling a lot of bad news, which then turned to some good news — but the only good news they could find was saving 15% on insurance. Sad, and too true to be very funny.

And so, as I expected, I have been asked recently as a preacher if I thought that the Lord might be coming soon. It certainly seems like a good time. My answer, like it was during the last time the world descended into chaos (like 9/11), remains "Maybe. Maybe not."

I usually don't like being that vague and avoid it whenever possible, but it is the only answer any honest Bible student can offer. You see, Jesus taught "wars and rumors of wars" and more (Matthew 24:6 and Mark 13:7,8) would continue to plague the world as long as time in this material world continues to tick. And the only real "red flag" (no Russian or Chinese pun intended) of the second coming is the major "man of sin" or antichrist, who is directly referred to in 2 Thessalonians 2 and in a different form referenced in Revelation 12-19 as a beast. But minor antichrists (profoundly evil men with little or no conscience — our own modern day has a wide selection) have come and gone over the centuries without the end coming. Will the current bad guy turn out to be "the one"? We will have to wait and see.

But the really important question that often goes unaddressed is "Why are you asking? Is it so that you can **get** ready just before the end?" The Scripture implies that the unexpected nature of the second coming, at least in part, is to encourage us all to **get ready — now** — and **stay** ready regardless of the ebb and flow of world events.

So I ask you, "Are you ready? If the Lord were to come tonight, would you know without a doubt that you're going to Heaven?" I hope your answer isn't "Maybe. Maybe not." Know for **sure**. Get ready!

"If you're not ready, shouldn't you be getting ready? Now?"

*Park Linscomb*

# FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN MARCH

6		7	8	9	10	11	12
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 9:00 AM Bible classes</li> <li>■ 10:00 AM Worship</li> <li>■ 5:30 PM Putting legs on our prayers</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Worship</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Ladies class</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 7:00 PM Wed. Bible class</li> </ul>	<div style="border: 1px solid gray; background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Tammy C. 🙏</div>		<div style="border: 1px solid gray; background-color: #d9ead3; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 5px;">Julia A. 🙏</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 9:00 AM Men's Breakfast</li> </ul>	

## SERVICE IN WORSHIP

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### March 6

	AM	PM
<i>Announcements</i>	John S.	John S.
<i>Songleading</i>	Doug J.	Jim B.
<i>Opening Prayer</i>	Reiven H.	Fernando Z.
<i>Communion</i>	Jim B.	Doug J.
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Ralph L.	Reiven H.
<i>Greeter</i>	Burley S.	Burley S.

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### March 13

	AM	PM
<i>Announcements</i>	John S	John S
<i>Songleading</i>	Charles H	Charles H
<i>Opening Prayer</i>	Chris S	??
<i>Communion</i>	Reiven H	Johnny V
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	Yaw F	Burley S
<i>Greeter</i>	Burley S	Burley S

## Digital ways to keep connected...



**Streaming:** Sunday, Bible class at 9AM; Sunday Worship 10 & 6; and Wednesday Bible class at 7PM

- [www.rhcoc.org/worship.html](http://www.rhcoc.org/worship.html)
- YouTube: search for "rhcoc"
- Facebook

**Our website:** [www.rhcoc.org](http://www.rhcoc.org)  
**"Rock Hill Reflections"** 2x weekly on Facebook

**Email:** [rhilchurch@gmail.com](mailto:rhilchurch@gmail.com)

**Park's website:** [parklinscomb.com](http://parklinscomb.com)

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### Sermon Notes...

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