

THE ROCK HILL HERALD

The 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
- Doug Jones
- Scott Wallace

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Hugh Ruebush
- John Smetzer
- Burley Stinnett

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

*"We're Here
and We Care"*

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT MOMENT OF ALL

There is an important verse in **Hebrews 13:17** regarding the responsibility of church leadership (elders and deacons). Although the words used in KJV to begin the verse are *"Obey them that have the rule over you"*, the context addresses the responsibility of individuals in leadership positions. It says, *"Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give an account"*

The lessons, articles, and classroom teaching(s) are brought with a single motive; to edify, teach, and encourage this congregation. It is the objective of each teacher to maintain the integrity of God's Word and practice it to the fullest extent, knowing that "we must give an account". It is another part of our judgement in **2 Corinthians 5:10**.

What should be noticed is the in-depth manner in which the Word is presented and taught. There are 'layers' of truth presented in the Word of God and we can gain greater insight as a result. However, we can only benefit in proportion to the individual effort made. **1 Corinthians 1:18-21**, *"It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save those that believe."* To believe is to accept.

11 Peter 1:3 *"All thing that pertain to life and Godliness"* as well as **11 Peter 3:17-18**, *"beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also be led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."*

Obviously, the benefit of a heavenly reward versus the sacrifices we make while in this life are disproportionate in value. Studying the Bible and meditating upon what it teaches you are not perhaps the most entertaining thing we can do, but the advances we can experience will be more than rewarding. All believers are called upon by Scripture to prepare for the most significant moment of all, when... *"we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."* The life we lead while given opportunity to live will be already cast forever in that moment. The opportunity to serve God through obedience to His Word is important and immediate.

Doug Jones

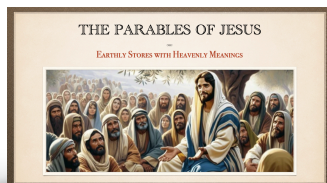
Family News

“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 visiting our congregation, welcome! Please fill out a visitor's card and put it in the collection tray as it is passed. 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 .

SUNDAY EVENING SERIES — will continue on the parables of Jesus. This Sunday PM: “The Great Supper; the Marriage of the King's Son; and the Wedding Garment”.



SATURDAY APRIL 26TH - This will be our Annual **Spring Fling**. It will be in the fellowship building at 11:00 AM. More information will be coming.

NEXT SUNDAY EVENING after church is our monthly “Birthday Cake” celebration of all the birthdays of the month of March. Come, celebrate, and enjoy the great fellowship!!

EASTER is only a few weeks away (April 20), and while we celebrate the Lord's resurrection each first day of the week, Easter is one of the two big holidays that can bring in the usually non-church goer. Don't miss the opportunity to ask your neighbor, friend, relative, or colleague to come with you this Easter.

CRITTER CLEARANCE FUND — Our fellowship / classroom building was invaded by animals who did a lot of attic damage. The cost to fix things was \$10K. If you can help with this



Revive and Thrive in 2025

fund, it would be a great help to our church budget. See Charles to help or you can give online.

SEWING MINISTRY The ladies resumes again. Come enjoy good work for the Lord by serving others and great fellowship between sisters.

CAMP DEER RUN CAMPSHIPS — If you'd like to help with sending our youth to Camp Deer Run this summer, please give any special donations to any of the elders.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP the Pittsfield MA church? We have an ongoing monthly benevolence program to help the church of Christ in Pittsfield Mass. See Trudy R. to contribute.

NEW REQUEST...

- Ralph L. will undergo a stint procedure next week; please pray for a successful outcome.
- Thanksgiving for Ken C.'s successful pacemaker procedure.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Alene T. a full recovery. Also,
- Lynn T's battling cancer
- From Juliana: Pray for Becky B., recovering from tongue cancer surgery.
- Elizabeth's cousin Tracy to recover from Lupus, and also her cousin Debbie H who has been recovering from neck surgery and setbacks.
- Jim B.'s son, Jeff's wife is terminal.
- Ora H's health
- Mary H is recovering at home.
- Emma's grandmother, Karla R, dementia and cancer.

The Christian husband displays what he thinks of Christ by the way he treats his wife.

John MacArthur

- Bonnie D recovering from a minor stroke.
- Sue C: digestive problems
- Ora H, kidney
- Churches in New England
- Brethren in India
- Our elders, deacons, preacher, teachers, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness & friend Jeff
- Carol P.
- Dale and Lavonia C.
- Julia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Rosa's friend Isabella, heart lesion
- Travis Y. feeding tube
- Ken C.

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- Mar 23, Judges 11-13
- Mar 24, Judges 14-16
- Mar 25, Judges 17-19
- Mar 26, Judges 20-21
- Mar 27, Ruth 1-4
- Mar 28, 1 Sam 1-3
- Mar 29, 1 Sam 4-7
- Mar 30, 1 Sam 8-10

A word of Encouragement

"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.

PROMISES MADE, PROMISES KEPT

One of our most prominent national politicians has recently been pointing out what is considered a rather remarkable accomplishment in the world of politics, "Promises made, promises kept". Many of us are pleasantly surprised at this announcement, because politicians made a lot of promises about what they'll do for this group or that, and then seldom come through. We've come to expect that promises made are really just so much rhetoric designed to get votes. Getting actual results has been unexpected, and it is delighting some and horrifying others. Seems like there's a bit of a lesson here.

You see Christians know, and the world certainly needs to know, that God has always been the Great Promise Keeper of all time.

Is. 48:3 "I declared the former things long ago and they went forth from My mouth, and I proclaimed them. suddenly I acted, and they came to pass.

Is. 48:5 Therefore I declared them to you long ago, before they took place I proclaimed them to you, ...

Titus 1:2 in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago,

It started all the way back as far as the Garden of Eden, when God told the first two human beings that if they ate the forbidden fruit they would die. It wasn't just rhetoric, they disbelieved and they died (as do we all now).

God promised Abram that if he would leave his home and family to go to a place He would show him, that God would give Abram a great family and nation and in fact that every nation of the earth would be blessed through him. Abram obeyed, and even though the promise seemed impossible because of Abram's and Sarai's ages, God kept the promise of blessing He made.

God told Israel that His Law must be obeyed and that their obedience would bring great blessings while their disobedience would bring great punishment and exile from their land (Deuteronomy 11). Israel, however, disobeyed time and again, testing the Lord's pa-

tience over almost 1000 years, and in the end God did indeed keep every promise (threat) He made.

God told Israel that one day He would send a Savior, a Messiah, who would rule on the throne of David, take the punishment of men's sins, die and be resurrected and even gave a timetable for the events to happen. And it happened just as He promised.

And these above promises are just a fraction of the many promises (and threats) made and kept down through the centuries.

And the Great Promise Keeper still will keep His promises and threats. He has promised...

- Rom. 8:28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.
- Mark 16:15,16 And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned."
- Matt. 5:12 "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great;..."
- Rev. 21:4,5 "and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away." And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

God is not like a man. He doesn't make idle promises or empty threats. He doesn't make promises that He cannot keep or threats that He won't follow through on. When He speaks it is not cheap rhetoric to gain favor or exaggerated and empty fear-mongering to manipulate behavior. When God speaks it always comes to pass, Just as God spoke words in the beginning and our universe came into being; so also when God speaks today, what He has spoken will indeed happen — delighting some and horrifying others

Consequently, the critical question really isn't whether or not He'll keep His promises, but whether or not we'll believe them. I urge you — believe them!

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN MARCH

	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 6:00PM Worship 		Casey B. 🎂	C.J. A. 🎂 ■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class	■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class	Mike/Pam ❤️	Karis F. 🎂	

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Week of March 23.....AM.....PM.....Wed.

Announcements Charles H..... Charles H
 Song Leading Doug J..... Scott W..... Jeremy C
 Opening Prayer Burley S..... Hugh R
 Communion Hugh R David J
 Closing Prayer..... Charles H..... Tom R
 A/V Control..... John S Hunter M..... Charles H
 Greeter..... Jim B

Week of March 30.....AM.....PM.....Wed.

Announcements Burley S..... Burley S
 Song Leading Scott W Doug J Jim B
 Opening Prayer John S Hunter M
 Communion Marty K..... Scott W
 Closing Prayer..... Doug J..... Hugh R
 A/V Control..... Hunter M..... Charles H..... John S
 Greeter..... John S



Sermon Notes...
