

# Northside Church of Christ

“God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”  
John 4:24



**The Church** By Mike Riley

The Church is not made up of people who believe they are better than others, but rather it is made up of those who realize that they should be better than they are and must continually strive to do better (Philippians 3:12-16).

The Church is not made up of perfect people, but people who realize they are following a perfect Lord and therefore must do the very best they can (1 Peter 2:18-22; 1 Peter 1:13-16).

The Church is not made up of people who never make mistakes, but those who often acknowledge their mistakes and then forsake them (1 John 1:9; Proverbs 28:13).

The Church is not trying to withdraw from everyone, but rather to draw everyone into its fellowship and love and encourage them to walk in the light where God the Father and Christ the Son are found (1 John 1:3-7).

The Church is not trying to set up arbitrary rules to hinder anyone, but rather to show the rule of Christ which helps every one (Gal. 6:14-16; Philippians 3:7-16).

The Church is not trying to take the joy out of your life; it is trying to put real joy into every life it touches (Philippians 4:4; 1 Thessalonians 5:16; 1 Peter 4:13).

The Church is not trying to separate you from your money; it is trying to keep your money from separating you from God (1 Timothy 6:6-10; cf. Proverbs 10:22).

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### SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

No Bible Study This  
Week Study of

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

Drive-in Service  
10:00 AM

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Family Bible Study  
7:00 PM  
No Bible Study This  
Week



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“Study to shew thyself  
approved unto God, a  
workman that needeth  
not to be ashamed,  
rightly dividing the word  
of truth.”

2 Timothy 2:15

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# Trusting in God

## By Ron Boatwright

There probably has never been a period in the world's history as filled with as many unhappy people as the one in which we now live. In this country we have been blessed above any nation that has ever existed. These blessings have come because in the past this nation trusted in God and was known as a Christian nation. But things have changed and are continuing to change. More and more individuals are putting their trust in pills, psychologists, drugs, alcohol, material wealth, pleasure, and in themselves instead of the living God. Tranquilizers replace the faith in far too many lives. It is estimated that 30 million sleeping pills were taken last night in the USA.

But "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, and whose hope is the Lord. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river, and will not fear when heat comes; but its leaf will be green, and will not be anxious in the year of the drought, nor will cease from yielding fruit" (Jeremiah 17:7-8).

To be sure in each life some rain must fall; some days will be dark and dreary. By trusting in God these moments properly used make for brighter and better tomorrows. If there were no difficulties, there could be not triumphs. In dealing with life's problems Paul writes from his prison cell, "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I say rejoice! Be anxious for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:4, 6). Just imagine a prisoner writing such words to men who were at liberty to go and do as they pleased. Another time when Paul was in jail we read in Acts 16:25, "But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them." Paul certainly serves as an example of how we should trust in God.

As we are trusting in God we have "the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7). Because of our trust in God, "But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You; let them even shout for joy, because You defend them" (Psalms 5:11). We should have great joy and gladness to know that we are God's children "for He cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7).

Our trusting in God will help us to "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which has great recompense of reward" (Hebrews 10:35). Let's "Trust in the Lord with all of your heart" (Proverbs 3:5) so we can go to heaven. "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him" (1 Corinthians 2:9). We cannot even begin to imagine how wonderful heaven will be. So let's trust in the living God so we can go to heaven.

The Church is not trying to become the master of your life, but is trying to get you to master yourself (1 Corinthians 9:24-27; 2 Corinthians 10:3-6).

The Church is not trying to rob your life of priorities, but is trying to allow you to put real priorities in your life (Matthew 6:33).

The Church is not discouraged simply because you miss service regularly, but is fearful that you will miss heaven completely (Hebrews 10:23-31).

### Prayer Requests This Week

- Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments (Serrie Smith, Donna Hill)
- All those affected by COVID-19
- Connie Montgomery
- Ken and Millie Williams
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### Communion Preparation

- Sign up sheet for 2020 is in foyer
- April - Rowell
- May - Rowell

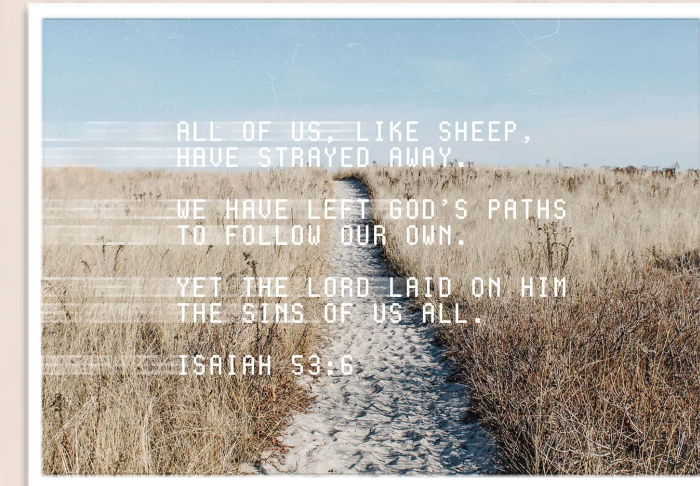
### Announcements

- No Sunday Bible Study or Evening Worship or Wednesday Night Bible Study Next Week
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### April Birthdays & Anniversary's

- None

Every Sunday Morning  
@ 6:00 AM  
on WTOK-TV



### Men to Serve

#### Sunday Morning

- Announcements/Opening Prayer - Tristan Rowell
- Scripture Reading - Mark 1:40-45
- Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell
- Head of Lord's Table - Tristan Rowell
- Scripture Reading - 1 Corinthians 1:4-10
- Assist on Lord's Table - Chuck. Rowell
- Closing Prayer - Chuck Rowell

#### Sunday Afternoon - No service



- Comcast Cable 8
- Comcast Cable 438
- Comcast Cable 1012
- DirecTV 12
- Dish Network 9306
- Dishnet Local 49
- Over-the-air 11.3