



KANNAPOLIS
church of
CHRIST

The Lighthouse

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You Shine as Lights in the World

Kerry and I recently enjoyed a week of vacation. One of the main things we did on our time away was to explore several caves and caverns that offered guided tours. It is fascinating to see the various formations that we were able to observe while walking on a paved path in lighted areas. But it did make me think about what it would have been like to be the first person to enter a small crevice and enter a world hidden by total darkness.

One of the common practices of cavern tours is that somewhere along the path—and usually with plenty of warning—they will turn out all the lighting so visitors can experience what it is like to be in total darkness. One smart-aleck guide told the visitors that if they waved their hand back and forth in front of their face they would produce a kind of spark effect in the darkness. And as they waved furiously, he turned the light on to see them and laughed, telling them he just wanted to see how many would believe him!

In Philippians, Paul tells the saints in Philippi that in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, you shine as lights in the world (Phil. 2:15). The challenge is given to live

as children without fault before this crooked and perverse generation. He never said that it would be easy! He never said that our light and our example would cause multitudes of people to turn from their sinful ways. But he did say we are to shine.

When the guides would turn out all the lighting, they would ask people to keep their phones off so that the light wouldn't spoil the total darkness effect. One thing I noticed at our first cavern darkness experience, was that my watch's glow-in-the-dark feature really seemed bright. I had to hold my hand over the face of my watch.

Such a little glow—not even a true light source—made a huge difference. I have shared this quote with you before, but it is one of my favorites: “No amount of darkness can hide the light of even one small candle.” Your spiritual light, your Christ-like example makes a huge difference in this crooked and perverse – this dark world of sin! Your light just may be the light that shows someone else the way to the True Light of the World, Jesus Christ! Keep Shining! To Him be the glory!

--John Helbig, Graeber Road church of Christ, Rosenberg, TX

Welcome,

We are so glad you are here!

Please know

- We will not ask you to stand and then focus our attention on you.
- We do not expect you to give money when we take a collection from our church members, however any gifts will be graciously received.
- We partake of the Lord's Supper each Lord's Day (Acts 20:7). You have the option of participating, or not, in the communion when it is served. Read 1 Cor. 11:23-29

- For those who have small children, the following options are available:

- o Your child/children may stay in the auditorium with you. (We love children)
- o We have a staffed nursery for children 0 -2 years old during Sunday morning Worship.



Please tell us a little bit about you by filling out a Visitor form in the lobby OR

Hang around a bit after service & get to know us!

Thank you for being our guest and come back soon.



scan the QR code to fill in electronically.

Our Mission

We take our stand on the Bible. Affirming it to be the complete, inspired, and authoritative Word of God.

We believe:

- o there is one true and living God, creator of all things.
- o Jesus Christ is the Son of God and the only One through whom people can be saved.
- o We are saved through faith in Jesus Christ. It is not our own works, but God's power through the blood of Christ that saves us.
- o The true church is the one found in the New Testament. Therefore, our effort and desire are to believe and do what the church did and taught.
- o The New Testament teaches that a person encounters the saving blood of Christ at the point they are moved by faith to repent, confess Jesus as Lord, and be immersed in baptism for the remission of sins.
- o Becoming a Christian embraces a commitment to spiritual growth in service, prayer, worship and giving.
- o Our mission is to seek the spiritually lost and to share the good news of Jesus Christ

Month of May		Weekly	05/31/26	06/07/26
Presiding Shepherd		Baptismal Clothes	Brittany Honeycutt	Gabby Stiltner
Bret Simoneaux		Building Monitors	Mike Sills	Mike Sills
Announcements			Bert Putnal	Ron Bean
Bret Simoneaux		Sunday Morning	05/31/26	06/07/26
Lord's Table		Lead Singing	Mark Bargeloh	Elliotte Lawing
Preside	Ron Bean	Opening Prayer	Cameron Goldman	Rusty Trent
Servers – Table	Connor Honeycutt	Scripture Reading	Joe Eagle	Conner Honeycutt
	Tom Whitaker		Closing Prayer	Ray Andrews
Servers – Sides	Mike Sills	Greeters	Kelly Craddock	Ron Bean
	Chris Shuping		Lisa Winchester	Tom Whitaker
Ushers	Brad Fortson Jim Craddock	Shut Down Building	Cameron Goldman Kirk Sams	Darrell Carroll Jeff Deason
AV Room – Sun AM	M Bennett B Fortson		Nursery Attendants	Casey Lancaster Julie Sills
AV Room – Sun PM	C Simoneaux D Carroll	Sunday Evening	05/31/26	06/07/26
AV Room – Wed PM	D Johnson	Lead Singing	Joe Eagle	Kirk Sams
	C Goldman	Opening Prayer	Mike Sills	Bret Simoneaux
Contributions	E Lawing	Closing Prayer	Parker Cotts	Joe Eagle
	C Simoneaux M Sills		Shut Down Building	Bret Simoneaux Darrell Carroll
Food for Families	Gretchen Fortson	Wednesday Evening	06/03/26	06/10/26
Month of June		Lead Singing	Joe Eagle	Darrell Johnson
Presiding Shepherd		Opening Prayer	Tom Whitaker	Rusty Trent
Darrell Johnson		Closing Prayer	Elliotte Lawing	Parker Cotts
Announcements		Shut Down Building	Bret Simoneaux	Jeff Hall
Mike Sills		If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please contact		
Lord's Table		Mike Sills at 919.273.3018		
Preside	Jim Craddock			
Servers – Table	Stone MacPhee			
	Melvin Bennett			
Servers – Sides	Mike McFalls			
	Darrell Carroll			
Ushers	Larry Gregory Connor Honeycutt			
AV Room – Sun AM	T Dunphy G Stiltner			
AV Room – Sun PM	M Bennett D Johnson			
AV Room – Wed PM	M Bennett M Sills			
Contributions	E Lawing			
	R Bean J Deason			
Food for Families	Annette Hall			

Opportunities

(FCR =Family Communications Room)

The Lunch Crew Tuesdays at 12-noon

June 2nd Concord Family
June 9th Mayflower
June 16th Parkway House

****TONIGHT****

May 31st

We host **Centergrove**
for our joint evening worship @ 6PM.
Fellowship & finger foods will follow.

Area-Wide Singing

@ **Centergrove**
7 PM, Friday, **June 28th**

****Calling All Ladies****

We need a hostess for the **August**
Ladies' fellowship activity.
Please see the sheet in the FCR for
more info.



Carolina Bible Camp

**Summer Camp
Registration is OPEN**

carolinabiblecamp.org

Make plans now to attend

Horizons 2026

July 5-10 @Freed-Hardeman Univ.

Registration is open

Picture Day

A Congregational Picture will be taken after morning service on **June 7**.

REMINDER: Send bulletin announcements or updates to info@kannapolischurchofchrist.org.

God's Steps to Salvation

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hear the Gospel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Romans 10:17 ○ Luke 11:28 ○ John 5:24 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Believe the Gospel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hebrews 11:6 ○ John 3:16 ○ John 3:36 ○ Romans 10:9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repent of past Sins: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Acts 17:30 ○ Luke 5:31-32 ○ Acts 20:21
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confess Faith in Jesus Christ: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Matthew 10:32 ○ Philippians 2:11 ○ 1 John 2:23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be Baptized: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Acts 2:38 ○ Mark 16:16 ○ Romans 6:1-23 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be Faithful: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hebrews 10:23 ○ Luke 16:10 ○ Hebrews 3:12-19

Minister

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Shepherds		Deacons	
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Jon Keller	479.719.8268	Darrell Carroll	704.907.9028
Elliott Lawing	704.785.8473	Jeff Deason	704.791.0243
Bret Simoneaux	704.254.5804	Brad Fortson	214.668.8218
		Jeff Hall	304.638.3474
		Mike Sills	919.273.3018

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

Bible Study: 9:00AM
Ladies Bible Study: 9:00AM
Morning Worship: 10:00AM
Evening Worship 6:00PM

Monday - Friday

Online Devotional-

with Kirk Sams



Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00PM

All services are streamed on the church Facebook Page and YouTube

Weekly Attendance			Weekly Contributions	
	05-17-26	05-24-26	Weekly Goal	\$5,990.00
Bible Class	55	58	05-17-26	05-24-26
Sunday AM	105	100		
Sunday PM	41	34	\$3,832.00	\$5,314.00
	05-20-26	05-27-26		
Wednesday	52	48		



PRAYER REQUESTS

“Be joyful always, pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will in Christ Jesus.”

– 1 Thes. 5:16-18

Have a Prayer Request? Please send email to: info@kannapolischurchofchrist.org

New Requests:

- Freda Holladay** is sporting an additional medical accessory. Her doctor discovered that her left thumb was broken when she fell earlier this month. Her healing continues.
- Othella Bea Pena** (newborn daughter of Juan & Holly, Pam’s niece) is recovering from open heart surgery and is on antibiotics. She was also born without a spleen. Please pray for healing, the doctors, and her parents.
- Rose Turner** (mother of Karen Rogers) is in the hospital in Kansas and may be placed in Hospice soon. Prayers are appreciated.

Updates/Continued Prayers:

- Freda Andrews** continues to recover as her ankle heals after a fall.
- Cane Anthony** (neighbor of the Sams household) continues his chemo treatments.
- Ronnie Bean** has been diagnosed with cancer on his esophagus and will be scheduled for a minimally invasive procedure in the next few weeks. No side effects are expected.
- Jill Bodenheimer** (Gay Bolick’s daughter) is being treated for bladder cancer and is receiving chemo and radiation treatments.
- Ronald Bost** (Don Bost’s brother) is now at home. Prayers appreciated as he gains strength.
- Samuel Brockman** (Elliotte Lawing’s cousin) is receiving medication for pain management.
- Sandy Brotherton** requests continued prayers.
- Kyle Glady** (friend of Kirk) had a defibrillator installed and is recovering at home.
- Tony Hill** (Tom Whitaker’s brother-in-law) is at home under palliative care.
- Susie Hinson** (the Rogers’ neighbor) has been diagnosed with spleen cancer in addition to her brain tumor. The tumor has responded to the radiation treatments and she requests prayers that her body will tolerate and respond to the oral medication prescribed for her spleen. Also pray for **Janice** as she supports Susie.
- Steve and Peggy Lambert** (friends of Bob Damron) are both battling cancer.
- Karen Rogers’ granddaughter, **Nevaiah**, has been diagnosed with sickle cell anemia. Doctors are optimistic regarding treatment.
- Mickey Stoner** requests prayers as he rehabilitates his knee and ankle at The Greens.
- Sharon Taylor** (Flo Hoel’s daughter-in-law) is undergoing rehab following her strokes.
- Christopher Yoders** (7 yr old great nephew of J&P Yoders) was riding his bike at home in Ohio and was struck and run over by a car. Prayers are requested.



Please keep these people in your prayers & send cards as you are able
Addresses are on the bulletin board in the FCR or scan QR code.



SCAN ME

Long-term Healing Journey:

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| Rhye Glaum (Bean’s great grandson) | Joseph Lee (Craddock’s son-in-law) |
| Ronald Lancaster (Butch Lancaster’s brother) | Shellie Long (Bobbie Seabolt’s niece) |
| Jay Miller (Bobbie Seabolt’s brother) | Karen Rogers (Janice Rogers’ daughter-in-law) |
| Douglas Scruggs (Gary Scruggs’ brother) | Lisa Winchester |
| Dale Winchester | |

Shut-ins:

Lil Burton | Anna Cleveland | Fran Wehe

Military:

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| Ricky Ardrey (Teresa Clowney’s son-in-law) | Brian Mullins (Northview COC) |
| Aaron Deason | David Jones (Dan Payne’s nephew) |
| James Schriever (friend of Coopers) | Cameron McAllister (C&B Lancaster’s nephew) |
| Landon & Lawson Bean (grandsons of Beans) | Dante Durant (friend of Yost & Edwards’ family) |
| Marquita Allen (Daughter of Ray Andrews) | Lee Henson (friend of Rogers) |



June Anniversaries

L&A Gregory	06/02
D&P Bost	06/28



June Birthdays

John Rowden	06/01
Ray Andrews	06/06
Belinda Bargeloh	06/07
Tyler Dunphy	06/09
Cheyenne Clifton	06/11
Myaila Clark	06/13

Wed. Night Summer Series: In the Shadow of the Cross

6/03	Crush the Serpent	Wes Garland, Warners Chapel
6/10	The Promise	Parker Cotts, Kannapolis
6/17	One & Only Son	Ed DeBerry, University
6/24	The Passover Lamb	Dean Thompson, University