

Those who serve  
Lords' Supper: 2/24

Front South

Jim Hudgins  
Barry Lehtinen  
Casey Lehtinen

Back South

James Hunt  
John McGilvray  
Bill Hughes

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM  
  
Sunday PM

Wednesday PM

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:  
Wednesday

Song leaders:

Sunday AM  
Sunday PM  
Wednesday PM

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday James Hunt

Collection Counting

Paul Murphy / Jeff Day / Kyle Day

Our Records

Bible Class.....142  
AM Worship.....223  
PM Worship.....154  
Wed. Bible Class 2/13.....177  
Contribution.....\$6,180

Sermons

AM A Seared Conscience  
Hosea 5:1-15  
PM A New Man  
Colossians 3:5-11

Front North

Clark Lehtinen  
Jay Lehtinen  
Dennis Lane

Back North

Jackie Mayden  
James Mayden  
Doug Kilcrease

Ken Boroughs  
Ryan Cowan  
Russ Jones  
Austin Ash  
Neil Stidolph

Clark Lehtinen  
Ryan Cowan

Paul Doyel  
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Jeff McPherson

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The Bulletin is Going Digital

Kevin W. Rhodes

As most people know, the cost of printing and mailing a bulletin has risen dramatically over the last several years. In their efforts to become solvent, the post office has raised rates many times, and this has had an impact on second and third class mailing as much as on first class. At Granbury Street we have absorbed these rising costs for the last few years, but the elders now have decided that prudence demands a change. Therefore, we will soon cease mailing out From Faith to Faith and instead will offer two means of accessing it through the Internet. If you would like to have us e-mail you a PDF version of the bulletin, please send an e-mail with your name to granburystreet@aol.com. Over the next few weeks, we will create a database by which to easily send you a digital copy that you can either read on your computer or print for yourself. On the other hand, if you do not want to receive an e-mail from us, just go to our newly redesigned web page at www.granburystreetchurchofchrist.com and click on the Bulletin link. This will take you to our MediaFire site where you may download a copy directly. Some have taken advantage of this service for a couple of years now.

We realize that some of our readers may not have an e-mail account or use the Internet, and we apologize for the inconvenience this may cause you. If you wish to continue receiving the bulletin, please speak to someone at your local congregation so that we may send a copy to a member there that can then pass it on to you. We appreciate so much those who have read the bulletin so faithfully over the years and hope that you will understand our reasons for now moving to a digital format. After a brief period of transition, we will make another announcement when we officially end our printing and mailing. Thank you for understanding.

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Service Times  
Sunday: Bible Class 9:00 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. 5th Sunday Second Worship Service, 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: Bible Class 7:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Class 10:00 a.m. (Sept.—May)

# Listen Well - Part One

By Kevin W. Rhodes

Many people today proclaim their love for Jesus and their desire to follow Jesus, but the vast majority do not appear interested in listening to Jesus—either that or they possess very poor listening skills—because they seem to ignore what Jesus says. Jesus had healed a blind man and responded to His critics among the Pharisees, but some remained puzzled and asked for greater detail. “Jesus answered them, ‘I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father’s name, they bear witness of Me. But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me’” (John 10:25-27). Our Savior did not say that some people would remain incapable of hearing Him; He taught that the people’s readiness to listen, believe, and follow Him distinguished them from the rest. Thus, a disciple distinguishes himself from the world by how closely He listens to the Messiah in order to follow Him.

If you are to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, then you must listen to His direction and instruction. Since He sent the Holy Spirit to inspire the apostles with the complete message for mankind (Jn. 14:26; 16:8-13), disciples must focus their attention on what the gospel says. “Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him” (Heb. 2:1-3). Religious division exists primarily because people listen to someone telling them something about Jesus instead of listening to the actual message of Jesus

Christ contained in scripture. Becoming a disciple of a man who talks about Jesus does not make you a disciple of Jesus Christ. We must appreciate that difference and listen carefully to what God’s Word says. When men lead you away from scripture, they are leading you away from Jesus Christ. Therefore, listen carefully to what men say, and follow what the Word of God says.

As Jesus taught, He explained not only His own mission but also the work of those who went before Him. After sending word back to John, who was then in prison, He talked to the people about John. “For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if you are willing to receive it, he is Elijah who is to come. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” (Mt. 11:13-15). Jesus expected his hearers to appreciate the impact of His Words. They understood according to prophecy that the promised Elijah would immediately precede the Messiah and the kingdom. Thus, His explanation announced that the time of prophecy had passed and the time for them to prepare themselves had drawn nigh. God had worked for centuries to bring them to this moment. Jesus lived and taught to give power and meaning to the message and to make redemption possible. But all of that is meaningless if we do not prepare ourselves accordingly. Paul later wrote, “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work (2 Tim. 3:16-17). Discipleship demands we listen to our Master to prepare ourselves for eternity. If we do not prepare, we did not really listen. And if we did not really listen, we have no right to claim to be disciples of Jesus Christ.

# News and Notes

## Among our sick

- Earlene Doty is still not feeling well.
- Charles Melton had a MRI on his back on Tuesday.
- Pat McIntosh received the results from his MRI that showed severe arthritis in the right hip and some degeneration in the left. He will have stem injections on March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Mary Reynolds had a shot for her back on Monday.

## Sympathy

- Our sympathy is extended to Doug & Gail Kilcrease in the passing of Doug’s brother Bobby. The funeral was Wednesday in Hico.
- Our sympathy is extended to the family of Nell Dwyer. She passed away Tuesday. The funeral was Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Congratulations

Virgie Lewis will celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 26<sup>th</sup>. Virgie will be honored with a small family party at her request. Thank you—the Lewis Family.

## Ladies Day

Colleyville Ladies’ Day “SOARING ABOVE THE CLOUDS” will be Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at 9:00 A.M. Please RSVP. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with more details.

## Please note...

- Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, will be Family Day starting at 10:30 in the annex. We will be studying Hebrews 12. We will have chili and stew for lunch in the annex. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer for what you would like to bring.
- Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, will start the Spring quarter for Bible classes.