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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:** Worship 9:00 AM & 5:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study 6:30 PM



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# The Follower

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## *Righteousness Exalts a Nation*

Sometimes life-changing events come without warning – the bombing of Pearl Harbor and the planes crashing into the World Trade Center Towers, for example – and suddenly everything is different. Sometimes these events are less national in nature and more personal, such as a fatal accident or one resulting in serious injuries to a loved one.

On the other hand, there are changes occurring in our lives which are more gradual, but over time have very serious consequences:

- Consider the Scopes Monkey Trial in 1925 which put into motion our country's focus on the theory of evolution as opposed to God's creation.
- Divorce in this nation was something which occurred much less frequently in years past because, in many states, it was granted only in the case of sexual infidelity, and that was considered scandalous. Over time our society softened to allow divorce for other causes such as abuse and abandonment, until eventually we "progressed" to the point of no-fault divorce. We completely forsook God's law and substituted our own, which has surely contributed to the tearing asunder of the family unit. *(Continued next page)*

- In the 1960's, we experienced the sexual revolution promoting "free love." During this time, man became infatuated with fornication and adultery – both certainly contrary to God's moral law for man – until now we are being forced to accept every possible sexual deviation and abomination.

These events, while very serious, were not sudden, and it took time for mankind to realize just how significantly they would impact our lives.

Through these changes we have forgotten God and promoted man. We have become more interested in the worldly and less interested in the spiritual. Solomon wrote, *Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people* (**Prov. 14:34**). History has shown that as a people become more worldly and depart from God, the decay which destroys them comes from within. We seem to have reached the tipping point in our society where we are not a righteous nation, but rather one which is wicked in God's eyes. If ever we were "one nation under God," we have certainly strayed far away from that.

It is imperative that Christians spend more time on our knees praying to God, as well as demonstrating in our lives what we believe, practice, and teach. Peter wrote, *For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil* (**1 Pet. 3:12**). May each of us do our best each day to strive toward righteousness. Let us humble ourselves before God in prayer for our lives, our children's lives, and the future of our country.

~Freeman



*We are saddened by the passing of our dear sister Kay Greenway on Thursday. She was a loving and giving lady who possessed a great sense of humor. She was a joy to know and easy to love; she will be deeply missed. A graveside service is to be held at 2:00 this afternoon at the Pisgah Cemetery.*

## Remember in Prayer . . .

- **Charles** was taken by ambulance to the Huntingdon hospital Thursday. Initial tests indicate cancer; course of treatment has not been determined.
- **Monte** came home from the hospital Thursday. He is improving, but still has pain.
- Shirley's sister **Wanda Flowers** is declining. It seems that her cancer has taken hold and is rapidly advancing.
- Please continue to **remember our shut-ins**.

## News and Notes . . .

- Our congregation is participating in the **PTP 365** video program. Please see Freeman if you need instruction about accessing it.
- As a part of **PTP 365**, **Bible classes for 10-12 year-olds and for teenagers** are available for viewing after 7AM each Sunday. Material for these studies is on the table at the back of the auditorium.
- We continue to assemble on Sundays at 9AM and 5PM. All of our services are live-streamed, including the Wednesday Bible class at 6:30PM, which is not yet open to the public.
- **Your continued participation** in social distancing and wearing a mask is appreciated as we assemble. Please pick up your communion packets from the foyer on your way in, and discard them in the basket by the door as you leave.
- Our new pictorial **DIRECTORIES** are available on the table next to the front doors for anyone who has not yet received one. One directory per family, please.