

TO SERVE TODAY:	AM	PM
Opening Prayer	David Bryant	Sherrill Smith
Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Nick Bryant
Preside Lord's Supper	Mark Wright	
Scripture Reading	Josh Brasher	Mickey Keen
Closing Prayer	Noah Brasher	David Brasher
NEXT WEEK:		
Opening Prayer	Dale Ballentine	Freeman Mahan
Song Leading	Keith Peevyhouse	Nick Bryant
Preside Lord's Supper	Mark Wright	
Scripture Reading	Monte Morris	Keith Peevyhouse
Closing Prayer	Dylan Holt	John Henry Long



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# The Follower

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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**SUNDAY:**      Bible Class    9:00 AM  
                             Worship      10:00 AM & 5:00 PM  
                             (Meet-Eat-Meet each second Sunday)

**WEDNESDAY:**      Bible Study    6:30 PM  
                             (Fellowship & devo each fourth Wednesday)

## Faithful Friends

Friendship is something to be cherished in life. President Woodrow Wilson put it this way, "Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold this world together." While I would suggest that loving Christ and putting Him first in our lives would hold the world together, I believe we all see his point.

As one reads through Paul's second letter to Timothy, friendship is seen throughout. Let's examine the "friends" Paul describes:

- Timothy, "my beloved child" (1:2);
- Phygelus and Hermogenes, who "turned away from me" (1:15);
- Onesiphorus: "he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains" (1:16);
- Demas, "who is in love with this present world, has deserted me" (4:10);
- Luke "alone is with me" (4:11);
- Mark: "he is very useful to me for ministry" (4:11).

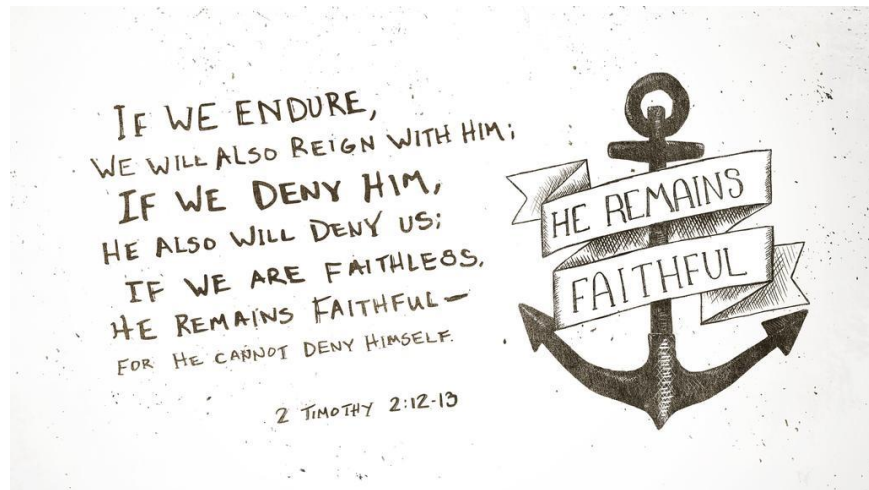
Within this list are friends who have been very helpful to Paul in ministry, who stuck with Paul no matter what, and one he would even call his child (in the faith). But the ones who

really stand out are those who were not faithful. Demas, described as one who was in love with the present world, deserted Paul. We do not know the exact situation, but he evidently “hung Paul out to dry” because of his love of a sinful, dying world (1 John 2:15-17). Phygelus and Hermogenes were specifically listed after Paul made a statement about a group of people who turned away from him in Asia.

These friends were unfaithful and proved to be of no value. As we have been considering friends, let’s focus on a faithful friend who will never leave our side. 2 Timothy 2:11-13 declares, “If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him...if we are faithless, he remains faithful.” Jesus is a friend who will remain faithful to the end. He will never desert us or leave us out to dry. The question for us is, will we be faithful to Him?

~Austin Johnson

(from the bulletin of the Calvert City church of Christ)



## Remember in Prayer ...

- **Sherrill** continues to feel better and is now staying by himself. He enjoys visits.
- **Shirley** is to see a surgeon tomorrow about a knot in her neck.

**PRAYER LIST:** Miss Mary; Steve; Rita; Casey Clark; Ginger Avery....

## News and Notes...

- **We welcome our visitors;** we are indeed honored to have you with us. Please complete a visitor card and leave it in the pew or the collection plate, and please allow us the opportunity to get acquainted with you following services.
- **All are invited and encouraged to stay for our fellowship meal** following this morning’s worship. We will remain in the fellowship hall for our afternoon service.
- **Summer Youth Series** tomorrow evening at Sitka. The van will leave at 6:30.
- **Wednesday evening devo:** Nick

### MEMORY VERSES - Colossians 3:16:

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*