

# THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

## Sunday Morning Service

- Song Leader Philip Steele
- Scripture Reading Tom Haddox
- Opening Prayer Tom Haddox
- Lord's Supper Luke Collinsworth  
Kelly Knepley
- Closing Prayer Jim Tobias

## Sunday Evening Service

- Song Leader Akel Marshall
- Opening Prayer Philip Steele
- Closing Prayer Luke Collinsworth

## Wednesday Evening Service – March 27<sup>th</sup>

- Song Leader Philip Steele
- Opening Prayer Luke Collinsworth
- Closing Prayer Akel Marshall

### Today's Sermons:

AM – We Know Love By This ... (Part 1)

Scripture Reading: **1 John 3:16**

PM – I Am Redeemed!

Wednesday Adult Class Study: **1<sup>st</sup> Samuel**

“Let Brotherly Love Continue”

Hebrew 13:1

# CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## SERVICES OF THE CHURCH

### Sunday



**SEARCH**  
OF THE LORD'S WAY

Local Cable 18

@ 7:00 AM and 4:30 PM

Bible Class	9:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:30 AM
Evening Worship	6:00 PM

### Wednesday

Bible Class	6:30 PM
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**March 24, 2013**

# Living By Faith

by Randall Caselman, Bella Vista Church of Christ

When tragedy, sorrow, temptation and failure strike, where do we turn? Victorious living, joy, peace, happiness, contentment, mountain-top living do not come from a bottle, a smoke, a sniff, a platinum plastic card, a chrome BMW emblem, or the words Vice President, embossed on a business card. *"The victory that overcomes the world is our faith."*



**Faith is a personal choice.** Each of us must make a choice. Will I believe in God or not? Jesus says, *"He that wills to know God, will know God."* Have we determined to know God, determined to trust His promises, determined to obey His will? We must make a choice.

**Faith by fellowship.** If you want to grow oranges, you don't move to the North Pole. If you want to learn the virtues of democracy and the free enterprise system, don't enroll in the University of Leningrad! If you want to acquire and strengthen your faith, don't spend time and have in-depth relationships with unbelievers, but with God and His people. *"Evil communications corrupt good morals."* We need a place where we can say, *"I believe, help my unbelief."* Faith is a fellowship.

**Faith comes from two sources.** *"The Heavens declare the glory and presence of God and the firmament shows His power, His handiwork."* Who of us can observe the cosmos and not see the omnipotent fingerprint of God? *"Faith comes from hearing and hearing by the word of God."* You see, nature declares the power and presence of God, while His Word reveals how we can have a salvational relationship with Him. Nature tells us He is, and the Word tells us what He demands of us.

**Faith is strengthened by use.** The more we trust and experience God at work in our lives, the stronger our faith. How many of us learned to ride a bicycle by reading a book? We got on, fell off, got on fell off. Faith is strengthened by use. It's said that Khrushchev memorized the entire gospel of John, but he had no faith. He never used it. Faith is a walk. *"I've ought the fight, finished the course, kept the faith."* Faith is not a parking place, but a road to be traveled, a life to live. Faith is living victoriously.

*Living by faith, in Jesus above,  
Trusting, confiding in His great love;  
From all harm, safe in His sheltering arm.  
I'm living by faith and feel no alarm.*

## Upcoming Dates to Note:

- **Ladies' Class** – March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 AM
- **Potluck** – April 14<sup>th</sup>, immediately following AM service.
- **Monthly Men's Meeting** – immediately after Potluck.
- **Men's Breakfast** – Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 AM at Big Boy's followed by Bible Study in the fellowship hall.

## Attendance:

Sunday Bible Study (03/17) – 20  
Sunday Morning Service (03/17) – 33  
Sunday Evening Service (03/17) – 15  
Wednesday (03/20) – 14

## Statistics:

Contribution Last Week (03/17) - \$1122  
Average Contribution (per week, up to 03/17) – \$1026  
2013 Weekly Contribution Goal – **\$1015**

## Remembrance in prayer:

- **In Search of the Lord's Way** local TV broadcast
- **Mitchell Morris** – (nephew of Amy Knepley)
- **Celeste Stone** – (friend of Carl's)
- **Phyllis Darling** – on-going struggle with dementia
- **Doug Marshall** – therapy to recover from a stroke
- **Jamie Valen** – (friend of Mary's) cancer
- **Ron Hollandsworth** – (Tom's father)
- **Shannon Tobias-McKenna** – back injury
- **Samantha Schneider** – knee injury
- **God's Blessing Upon This Congregation**

## Project: Any Soldier

Don't forget to take a look at the bulletin board about this. It will be constantly updated with news from the soldiers we are helping. There are plenty of opportunities to help. See what you can do.