

SUNDAY NEWS

APRIL 9, 2017

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Gregg Woodall
 Tony Williams
 Tony Turner
 Dave Benner
 Terry Clark
 Gary Woodall

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Tony Turner

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What If... God is Real?

By Justin Morton

Most of us have played the “What If” game at some point in our lives. Kids often play with their friends. Some of you may have played the game with your own kids because they have a knack for asking “what if” questions. This weekend, at our annual Student Ministry Spring ADVANCE, we are asking “What If” questions to our students and volunteers in hopes that such questions will cause each of us to reflect on our lives and how we are choosing to live.

One of the questions we will be ask at the beginning of our weekend together is “What If God is real?” I have no doubts that most everyone reading this would respond with, “Well of course He is real.” Well, if God is real, and we all believe He is (Gen. 1:1; Exo. 20:11; Acts 17:24), then what does this mean for our lives? Consider if you will, three things the reality of God means for our lives.

1. What He says is true. All scripture is given by the inspiration of God (2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Pet. 1:20-21). Sometimes when people tell us certain things, we stop and wonder if what they are telling us is true. This is not the case with God. If God is real, then what He says is true, and we must take Him at His word and trust

what He has said. Everything from His promises to His warnings are sure.

2. How we live matters. If what He says is true, then all will stand before the judgment seat of Christ and give an account for the things we have done in the body (2 Cor. 5:10). Thus, every action we engage in and every word we speak matter. Every thing we do or don't do is important if God is real.
3. We have an eternal hope. For Christians, the eternal hope we have changes how we live our lives. We don't have to face death with a feeling of defeat, because through Jesus we are victorious (I Cor. 15:54-58). Every day we wake up, no matter what we face, we have hope.

Friends, God is real and what an impact that has on our lives. We don't have to live our lives thinking, “What if God is real?” Instead, we can live our lives believing, “Because God is real” we know what He says is true, how we live matters and we face every day with an eternal hope.

This Week at Karns

Today

- **Bridal shower for Krystal Robins** at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. See details in adjacent column.
- **Youth return** from ADVANCE.

Tuesday, April 11

- **Ladies' class** meets at 10 a.m. in the small fellowship room.

Wednesday, April 12

- **Plugged In** meets at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 15

- **Family Picnic & Egg Hunt** at 11:30 a.m. at the Baldwins' house. Details are in the adjacent column.

Sunday, April 16

- **Horizons deadline.** See adjacent column for important details.

Forever His—Huge Thank You

We were blessed to have 30 beautiful children with special needs attend the Day Camp. Once again, our church family rose to the occasion with many hours of work put into making this an event for the children and their families to remember. Kim Higginbotham thanks everyone involved! (We deeply appreciate Kim for her love for these children and her zeal for organizing these events).

Bridal Shower Today

Today there will be a bridal shower for **Krystal Robins** at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. She is registered at Target and Bed Bath & Beyond. To give toward a large gift see Tiffany Dresser or Sue Benner.

Family Picnic & Egg Hunt

There will be a family picnic and egg hunt for all ages at the Baldwins' house **Saturday, April 15th** at 11:30. We will eat at 12 noon with the egg hunt to follow. Each child should bring 2 dozen candy-filled eggs (no nuts, please). Adults should bring a main dish, lawn chairs, blankets and lawn games. **Sign up on the family board in the foyer.**

Horizons: New Deadline Is April 16!

HORIZONS is July 2—7 at FHU and spaces are filling up! The deadline to register and pay your part of the fee is **Sunday, April 16th**. You may do this online at <http://www.fhu.edu/horizons>. Be sure to let Justin know by April 16th that you have registered so he can pay the other half of your fee.

Church Potluck

We will have a potluck following morning services on **Sunday, April 23rd** in the large fellowship room. Bring enough to feed your family and our many lectureship guests.

Baby Boy Shower

There will be a baby shower for student wife, Carrie Brown on **Sunday, April 30th** at 4 p.m. in the small fellowship room. She is registered at Babies R Us, Target and Buy Buy Baby. See Lynlee Robinson or Kelly Gibson to give toward a large gift.

Graduating High School Seniors

Please submit 10-12 photos to Justin by **Wednesday, April 26th**. Share a Dropbox link or give a jump drive with the photos to Justin. No CD's or physical photos please.

Area-Wide Teen devo

Karns will meet with other youth at Metcalf Bottoms in Great Smokey Mountain National Park for a devo on **Saturday, April 22nd**. The bus will leave here at 12 noon.

Sympathy

Joyce Cawood passed away last Sunday. She was one of the first members of Karns, is much loved and will be greatly missed.. Remember Mark and the Cawood family in prayer.



Eleanor Slingsluff (former Karns member) passed away March 31st. Her funeral was in WV and her burial was last Tuesday in Oak Ridge. (Her husband, Paul, died in 2008.) Cards may be sent to daughter Connie Yost at 1404 Angel Ct., Nashville, TN 37214. Eleanor's son, Dana, is the preacher at Camden Ave. church of Christ in Parkersburg, WV.

Prayer List

G.C. Robinson has been diagnosed with cancer and will have a bone scan tomorrow. Pray for G.C. and Mattie Lou.

Tom Jernigan had a fall last week and broke his hip. He had surgery on Thursday and remains in room 512 at Parkwest.

Ann Wagner's heart tests revealed that she has 2 blockages. She was hoping to move to a rehab facility by this weekend.

Rosemary Spivey is suffering pain from a shoulder injury.

Karen Christiansen (mother of Hollis Bauman) is in hospice care. Her cancer is spreading.

Amy Wright (grandmother of Matthew Brown's fiancé) has suffered injuries from a fall.

Martha Sayles (friend of Sara Terlecki) has had a recurrence of Lymphoma and is receiving treatment.

Continue to Pray For

Helen Caldwell, Margaret Cagle, Ron Dugger, Carolyn Ford, Jim Gill, Bettye Hawkins, Gary & Bonnie Henderson, Polly Huber, Tom Jernigan, Gary & Chris Kelsey, Gabe Martin, Steve Martin, James & Beverly Meadows, Gene Molchan, G. C. & Mattie Lou Robinson, Rosemary Spivey, Jean Thomas, Don & Ann Wagner

Baptism

We rejoice with **Brandon Hudgins**, who was baptized into Christ this past Wednesday morning by Richard Johnston. Cards may be sent to Brandon c/o Tennessee Children's Home, 8550 Harold Duncan Way, Knoxville, TN 37931

Church Picnic at McFee Park

Sign up now if you are going to come to the church picnic on **Saturday, May 6th**. It starts at 4 p.m. and we eat at 5:30. Dinner is catered. Bring outdoor games, lawn chairs, and blankets.

College-Age Information Needed

If you are a current student or graduating from college or any other type of higher education (trade school, receiving a certificate, etc.), fill out one of the forms located on the table in front of the family board. Parents are encouraged to help with this as well. Email Rick at dre11956@gmail.com with the info or turn in your form to him **before Sunday, April 16th**.

Meals For Our Shut-Ins

Check the family bulletin board for the TLC sheet each week and sign up to donate food, help prepare or deliver meals to the sick and shut-ins each Tuesday.

You Are Invited

"Planning for Your Family's Estate & Financial Future" will be hosted by Southeast on **Saturday, April 29th** from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the small fellowship room. Conrad Slate and attorney, Eddy Smith will present ways to avoid estate planning pitfalls, plus information and techniques useful in everyone's planning. **Sign up on the family bulletin board or see Will Hanstein or Conrad Slate.**

Lectureship Help Needed!

This year, the lectureship takes place from April 23-26. **There are several needs: housing for speakers, food donations, childcare and kitchen crew. Sign-up sheets are now posted.** We hope you'll help and are grateful for ALL you do!!

Sunday News

Morning

Welcome & Reading: Richard Johnston
(Psalm 63:1-5)

Song Leader: Tommy Warren

Song: Holy, Holy, Holy, 54

Prayer for the Sick: Gary Woodall

Song: There Stands A Rock, 447

Song: Nailed to the Cross, 328

Communion and Collection

Presider: Jeff Bauman

(Attendance cards collected during next song)

Song: Where He Leads I'll Follow, 286

Prayer: Bennie Williams

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: Take My Life, and Let It Be, 584

Song: Take the Name of Jesus With You, 592

Prayer: Connor Boyer

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Sound/Video:

Lee Toothman Dan Dresser

Camera

Lance Champion

April Attendance Cards:

Ian Beatty Devin Brewer
Sam Hanstein Alex Leeth

Evening

Welcome & Reading: Richard Johnston
(Romans 8:35-39)

Song Leader: Steve Aragon

Song: Our God, He is Alive, 22

Prayer: Don Denton

Song: O Worship the King, 260

(Attendance cards collected during next song)

Song: He Leadeth Me, 295

Sermon: Steve Higginbotham

Song: Nearer, My God to Thee, 585

Song: Oh the Depth and the Riches, 338

Song: When Upon Life's Billows, 591

Prayer: Curt Davidson

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Nursery:

Rose Anne Martin Victoria Baldwin

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Welcome Center:

Margaret Denton John Hoffarth

Wednesday, April 12

Announcements: Carrol Street

Song Leader: Jonathan Huddleston

Speaker: Lance Champion

Prayer: Donnie Iverson

Door 6 Usher: Don Scott

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Office Hours: 8 am—4 pm
(Monday—Friday)

Times of Services:

Sun. Bible Study: 9 am
Sun. Worship: 10 am, 6 pm
Wed. Bible Study: 7 pm

2017 Statistics

Sunday, April 2, 2017

Attendance: 417
Contribution: \$18,075
Average: 17,107
Budget: \$17,000
Placed membership: 15
Baptisms: 5
Responses: 25

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Our Goal

*To be transformed by God by
Reflecting the life of Jesus,
Giving hope to the lost,
Growing as a family,
Bound together by the cross.*



Online Resources Available

- Our services are broadcast live at www.youtube.com/user/karnscoc.
- Archives of our video sermons: vimeo.com/channels/karnschurch.
- Our website (karnschurch.org) contains many Bible articles and sermon outlines.
- Archives of our audio sermons are posted at karnschurch.org/audio-sermons.