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prayer requests, announcements, and bulletin information.

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August 16, 2026

Morning Worship Service

August 16

August 23

Announce/Prayer	Ralph Ycedo	Ralph Ycedo
Song Leader	Jeff/Ralph	Jeff/Ralph
Lord's Supper Bread	Eddie Taylor	Tom Bond
Cup	John Camp	John Camp
Scripture Reading	Aron Smith	Aron Smith
God's Message	Jeff Wealand	Jeff Wealand
Closing Prayer	Jim Boal	Jim Boal

Evening Worship Service

Announce/Prayer	Ralph Ycedo	Ralph Ycedo
Song Leader	Jeff/Ralph	Jeff/Ralph
Lord's Supper	Tom Bond	Tom Bond
God's Message	Jeff Wealand	Jeff Wealand
Closing Prayer	Jim Boal	Jim Boal

SERMON NOTES

THREE QUALITIES FOR ENTERING HEAVEN

Scripture Reading: 1st John 3:16-22

Prepared In His Presence, Matthew 25:1-13

Integrity In His Purpose, Matthew 25:14-30

Serving the Savior via the Suffering, Matthew 25:31-46

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but does not have works? Can this kind of faith save him? James 2:14

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAISE REPORTS

- ❖ Don't forget to complete the form to update the directory, we need forms from everyone to make sure we have your correct information in the directory. Return forms to Jeff.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ❖ Paulette is experiencing side effects from her recent fall where she suffered a mild concussion. Keep her in your prayers for a full recovery.
- ❖ Bonnie Griffin fell and broke her hip this week. She is in the hospital and will be moved to a rehab facility, not yet specified. Keep Bonnie and family in your prayers for a quick recovery.
- ❖ Keep Mair in prayer, she is scheduled for a repeat scan to determine treatment needed.
- ❖ Barbara was able to visit with Kallie, who is not doing well, keep her in your prayers as she struggles with cancer.
- ❖ Continue to keep Leslee Ahrens in your prayers, she is still in a lot of pain and will be starting physical therapy, still unable to travel home to Nebraska.
- ❖ Keep the following members in your prayers for ongoing issues: Mark Pitts, Dwayne, Kallie recurring cancer, Susan Walker Pope medical issues, Mair's sister Deborah cancer, Christine's brother-in-law, Jim cancer. Norma, Ellie, Peg and Sharon medical issues. Deon's daughter in law, Caitlyn and niece, Carissa, Paul Johnson, Nancy and Daniel Sawyer.

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Welcome to Canyon Church of Christ!

**We are so glad you have chosen to
worship with us today.**

Mission Statement:

**Be a loving Christ-centered family, living for God,
united in Spirit. We are committed to lighting the
world by boldly preaching and teaching His Word
in love, as revealed by Scripture only authority,
the Bible.**

Schedule of Services

9am Sunday – Bible Class

(this service is live streamed)

10am Sunday- Worship Service

(this service is live streamed)

5pm Sunday – Worship Service/Bible Study

**ELDERS - Jim Boal, Tom Bond,
and Ralph Ycedo**

Minister - Jeff Wealand

TIDBITS FOR THOUGHT

HEAVENLY JOURNEY

John 14:1-4 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God and trust also in me. In my Father’s house there are many rooms; if that were not so I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place or you. And if go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the place where I am going.”

In the above Scripture reference, Jesus gives to all Christians, a sweeping promise that assures us that when we arrive at our final destination, He will be there and have a place prepared for us. The is one of many, many beautiful promises that Jesus articulated in his short time on earth and is one, among the many, that gives every believer a solid rock on which to stand amidst the storms of life. They are words that have comforted millions of troubled lives and given meaning to legions of suffering souls.

Our Christian journey toward heaven is a walk through a world that is a complete paradox. On any given day there is a good chance that we might encounter the ugliness of hate and bigotry in places where we least expect it. We have a very good chance of encountering the homeless whose presence among us is like the shadow of failure.... failure of our society to recognize mental illness or the results of addiction. Many days we might come face-to face with the plight of the immigrant among us.... living in fear and dread in a land that promises freedom and justice for all. We might observe the devastation of childhood hunger manifested in the lines at community food banks, punctuated by the haunted looks of futility on the faces of parents simply trying to feed their child in a country that throws out enough food daily to feed millions of individuals.

On the other hand, each day provides the opportunity for Christians to offset these dark and ugly spots in humanity by actively looking for or participating in acts of beauty and kindness throughout the day. A simple warm and sincere smile can ease some pain for those who are burdened with challenges that seem to have no end. The gift of a few

dollars or a sandwich to a homeless drifter gives not only food but a brief moment of respect when the image of Christ shines in the darkness. Time spent listening to another soul sharing their thoughts and grief is a time that is, perhaps, worth more than a king’s ransom. An unexpected act of kindness, however small, might give fresh hope to one who is struggling.

When our journey to heaven is punctuated by these small acts of beauty and kindness, we are not only reflecting Christ into a dark world but we enhance our own lives in ways that cannot even begin to be explained. Suzy Kassem, an astute and powerful writer, captured this thought when she wrote, “I have been finding treasures in places I did not want to search. I have been hearing wisdom from tongues I did not want to listen. I have been finding beauty where I did not want to look. And I have learned so much from journeys I did not want to take.”

Think about it.

Aron Smith

Neighborhood Outreach Program

If you are interested in joining the Hands of Kindness team, e-mail Aron at aronandpeg@aol.com