

August 9, 2026

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prayer requests, announcements, and bulletin information.

Gold Canyon Church of Christ

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Morning Worship Service

August 9

August 16

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

SERMON NOTES

WHAT IS SALVATION ?

Scripture Reading: Psalm 3:1-8

The Identity of Jesus, Luke 19:1-10

The Demise of the Devil, Revelation 12:10

A Gift for the Christian, Hebrews 1:14

Salvation can't be bought with the currency of obedience; it is purchased by the blood of Jesus Christ. Thinking that we can trade our good works for salvation is like buying a plane ticket and then acting like we own the airline. But with that ticket, we board the plane and trust the pilot with our very life, Philippians 2:12.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRAISE REPORTS

- ❖ Potluck today after morning service. Everyone welcome.
- ❖ **Bonnie Griffin** is now in assisted living. Her address is:
Cojir of Gilbert, 580 S. Gilbert Rd., Gilbert, AZ 85296 Room 122.
- ❖ New address for **Paul Johnson**: Paul Johnson #113228, Manzanita (AZDoC), PO Box 211309, Dallas, Texas 75211.
- ❖ **Don't forget to complete the form from last week's bulletin to make sure we have your correct information in the directory. Return forms to Jeff.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ❖ **Paulette** is home after her fall last week. Prayers for full 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

JOY IN SALVATION

Acts 8:39 “When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Phillip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way *rejoicing*.” (Emphasis mine)

“We may sing beforehand, even in our winter storm, in the expectation of a summer sun at the turn of the year; no created powers can mar our Lord Jesus’ music, nor spill our song of joy. Let us then be glad and rejoice in the salvation of our Lord; for faith had never had cause to have wet cheeks and hanging- down brows.” Samuel Rutherford
That particular quote from the sixteenth century is a reiteration of the fact that a joyless Christian is a contradiction in terms. How can any individual come face to face with a loving God in the waters of baptism and not have joy in their life? How can any individual, knowing that he or she is assured a place in eternity in the presence of a loving God, have anything but joy in their heart.... the joy that comes from knowing God loves them unconditionally? I am not talking momentary and fleeting happiness here but a deep abiding joy that can be felt throughout both the physical and spiritual body and is best expressed in deep, deep never-ending gratitude.

Can you remember the first flush of joy that you felt when you emerged from the waters of baptism? Can you still remember that incredible feeling of completion that comes from the experience of being fully accepted into the family of believers who are called Christians? In the jot and tittle and minutia of today, can you still feel joy in the fact that

your past is forgiven, your present is given meaning and your future is assured?

When we emerge from the cleansing waters of baptism, nothing really changes on the outside. The everyday challenges of providing food, clothing and shelter continue unabated. Grief over the loss of loved ones does not magically disappear. Long- term illness of ourselves or loved ones goes on and on and on. Addictions, depression and mental challenges can still exist in our physical world. The world we live in is still in the grips of a never-ending cycle of hate, bigotry and separation. The future of our country, as we know it, still seems to be in dire jeopardy. However, in the midst of the challenges of living in a fallen world, the assurance of Salvation given to us by the Lord, overrides all of these hourly and daily distractions and allows us to live freely and look past the ugliness of the world. It allows us to replace fear with courage....it allows us to replace hate with love....it allows us to replace bigotry with acceptance...it allows us to replace indifference with compassion.... it allows us to lovingly share our experience, strength and hope with fellow travelers in the world.... it allows us to reach out fearlessly to others with a hand of kindness....it allows us to revel in the wonderful emotion of gratitude.

It allows us to freely love our Lord, just as He loves us!

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