

For the Record

415 Sunday Morning

238 Sunday Classes

101 Life Groups

175 Wednesday Evening

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A Note for our  
**Church Family**  
Elder's Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of every Month. If you would like to meet with the Elders, please call the Elder of the Month to let them know you are coming.

**Tithe.ly Giving Option:**  
Go directly to RACOC's quick link:  
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=77262>

December 10, 2017

The Spirit of Adoption

• God has adopted us!

*“But when the set time had fully come. God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, ‘Abba, Father.’ So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.” Gal. 4:4-7*

- We are called to share God’s heart for adoption.

*“Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress...” James 1:27*

Adoption Prayer List

- **D.J. and Megan Johnson** – soon providing foster care for Raven, Elysia, Taliah, and Katherine with the possibility of future adoption
- **Rick and Eve McCain and family** – Adopting Neza from Burundi, East Africa.
- **Taylor and Amber Tinsley** – Will adopt a baby boy, Parker, who is due in March
- **A.J. and Brittany Smith** – A.J. seeking to legally adopt Elijah and Hannah

REGULAR WEEKLY MINISTRIES

DivorceCare -New session starts Feb 11

Life Group - Sundays at different times

Granddad’s Devo - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Room R5

Ladies Bible Class - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Small Fellowship

Single and Parenting Class- New session starts Feb 7

GriefShare - New session starts in February

DC4K (DivorceCare for Kids)- New Session starts Feb 7

Financial Peace - New session starts Feb 7

Celebrate Recovery - Thursdays at 6:30 pm (Meal at 6:00 pm)

Robinson Avenue this week

Sunday,  
December 10, 2017  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Keith Kilmer

PRAYER

Harry Ware

1014

Jesus Loves Me

1015

Jesus Love the Little Children

SCREEN

How Deep the Father’s Love for Us

COMMUNION COMMENTS

Zac Bray

COMMUNION

OFFERING

1017

Away in a Manger

781

Thank You, Lord

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 82:1-4

Taylor Tinsley

SERMON

*Forever Family*

*Keith Kilmer*

SCREEN

Surround Us Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nick Emerson

744

Give Thanks

CLOSING PRAYER

Jimmy Allen

Adopted by God

We are sons of God through faith in Christ

Keith Kilmer - It’s adoption Sunday at Robinson Avenue! Today we will be showing our support and praying for several families who are seeking to adopt children. Here are some of our families working toward adoption: D.J. and Megan Johnson, Rick and Eve McCain, A.J. and Brittany Smith (A.J. seeking to legally adopt Elijah and Hannah), and Taylor and Amber Tinsley. The circumstances of each adoption are different, but the common denominator is a love for kids and a desire to share God’s heart for children.

We also have an opportunity to give financially to help a couple of these families. At the close of service, our shepherds will be located at the exits if you would like to contribute to the McCain and Tinsley adoptions.

Though they haven’t asked for assistance, we know that the process that they are going through is very expensive and we want to help to alleviate some of the burden as they seek to practice pure and faultless religion (James 1:27).

When describing his relationship with us God could have exclusively used the language of “new birth” – this is terminology often found in Scripture. But the Bible also speaks of us as having been adopted by God. Galatians 4:4-5 is as central a gospel statement as you’ll find anywhere: “But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of

his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who call out, ‘Abba, Father.’ So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.” The blessings and benefits of sonship are great: belonging, salvation, inheritance.

Let’s enter into our worship today secure in our status and position in Christ!

The Bible in a Year  
Daily Reading Schedule

<input type="checkbox"/> Monday 11	II Thes 3 - I Tim 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday 15	Hebrews 1-4
<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday 12	I Timothy 4-6	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday 16	Hebrews 5-8
<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday 13	II TImothy 1-4	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday 17	Hebrews 9-13
<input type="checkbox"/> Thursday 14	Titus 1 - Philemon		

**DO NOT MERELY LISTEN TO THE WORD, AND SO DECEIVE YOURSELVES.. DO WHAT IT SAYS. JAMES 1:22**



Adult Education

## Adult Bible Classes

**Sunday Morning Adult Classes:**  
**Adult Classes** - Book of Ephesians  
**The Transitions Class** - Book of John  
**Wednesday Evening Bible Study:**  
**FUEL** - Men's class - Book of Philippians  
**WPW** - Women's Class - Draw Near  
**Auditorium Class** - Book of 1 Peter

Sunday AM Service

## Adoption Sunday

Today our focus will be on the theme of adoption. We have several families that are in the process of adopting. There will be an opportunity to give financially for two of the families, Taylor and Amber Tinsley and Rick and Eva McCain. Elders will be located at the exits if you would like to contribute to these two families for their adoption expenses. Make your checks out to Robinson Ave Church of Christ, or you can go on to tithe.ly.com and choose Adoption Assistance Fund.

GriefShare

## Surviving the Holiday

When you've lost your loved one, the holidays are hard. Come join our free session of "Surviving the Holidays" on **Sunday, December 17** at 4:00 pm in Room R5 (Old Fellowship Room).

Southern Christian Childrens Home

## Pack the Pulpit

Pack the Pulpit is today! The truck will be here on Tuesday, December 12. Requested items this month are: Dawn Dishwasher Liquid, Laundry Detergent, Peanut Butter Crackers, Pecans, Red and Green Enchilada Sauce, Spaghetti Sauce and Ziplock bags. If you forgot to bring items this morning, bring them tonight or bring them to the church building Monday or Tuesday morning.

Performance

## Lipscomb A Capella Singers

Lipscomb A Capella Singers will be performing at Robinson Ave Church of Christ on **Friday, January 5**. Please consider being a host family to the members for one night. Dinner Friday night will be at the church building before the concert. Host families are asked to provide breakfast on Saturday, pack a sack lunch for each guest to take with them and have them at the church building by 7:30 am on Saturday morning. A sign up sheet is in the foyer.



Youth Ministry

## CHRISTeens - Feb 23-25

CHRISTeens is in Russellville, AR, a weekend youth event that will revive your soul! It's packed with Spirit-filled worship and messages from God's word that will challenge you in your faith. We will leave the building Friday 23rd around 5:30 pm and return Sunday afternoon around 1 pm. You will not want to miss the speakers and worship at this event. Sign up now! You can register online by going to www.racoc.net and click on CHRISTeens button on the home page or the RACOC app under resources. Deadline for registration is January 25th.

## Bible Class & Sunday Worship Holiday Schedule

Sunday, December 24 we will have Bible Class and Worship service at our regular scheduled time. There will be no Sunday evening service or Life Group meetings on Sunday evening. There will be no changes to our Sunday schedule for Sunday, December 31 (New Year's Eve).

## Holiday Schedule Office Schedule for Holiday

The office will be closed on December 25 and 26 for the Christmas holiday and January 1 for New Years.

## 60th Wedding Anniversary Celebration Invitation

The family of Charlean and Bill Howell would like to invite everyone to a 60th Wedding Anniversary Celebration for Charlean and Bill on Sunday, December 17th from 2:00 - 5:00 pm at 42 Stonehenge Dr, Bentonville, AR. RSVP today 479-877-1384 or sdhowell@etestg.com.

## Women's Ministry Tuesday Ladies' Bible Class

Tuesday Ladies Bible Class will meet at the home of Patty Dobbs for Christmas Brunch on Tuesday, December 12. The class will resume on Tuesday, January 9.

## Contribution and Payments Make Your Contribution Using Your Debit or Credit Card

You have the option to make your contribution or payment to Robinson Avenue Church of Christ using your debit or credit card when and wherever you choose! It is through an online giving website called Tithe.ly designed by former and current ministers specifically for churches. All transfers are encrypted and secure. You can make your contribution or payment anywhere at any time. Instructions on how to get started are on the table in the foyer.



Family Time			
SUNDAY		WEDNESDAY	
9:30 AM	Bible Study	7:00 PM	Bible Study
10:30 AM	Worship		
6:00 PM	Worship		

## Family Illness and Recovery

**Ellen Nolan** will have surgery on Thursday, December 14 at Washington Regional Medical Center.  
**Herman Sisemore** is in Shiloh Health and Rehab. He is needing a lot of rest. Please contact Dorothy before you go visit him.  
**Gladys Dutton** is in Shiloh Health and Rehab in room 122A.  
**Glenda Garrison** is in HealthSouth in room 125.  
**Dee Dearman's** test came back good. Dee and the Brawners appreciate all of the prayers!  
**Tim Howard** has pneumonia. He has been released from the hospital and is at home in Searcy.  
**Wilma McIntosh** ask we pray for her friends, **Glen and Robin Hoffman**. Glen is paralyzed on one side and has dialysis three times a week. If you would like to send a card of encouragement to them, their address is 21032 Perry Rd, Springdale, AR 72764.

## Directory Directory Changes

<i>Robert and Ajeanna Kernes</i>	<i>Bethany Britten</i>
<i>2011 Christy Drive, Apt B</i>	<i>20042 W Vanzant Rd</i>
<i>Springdale, AR 72764</i>	<i>Springdale, AR 72764</i>

## For Our Members Online Directory and Calendar

Members are reminded that you have access to the online pictorial membership directory and the church calendar on the ShelbyNext website at racoc.shelbynextchms.net. You can also get this information on the ShelbyNext App and you can check-in using the app. Call the church office if you need any help signing in. Directions for both, the website and the app, are on the table in the foyer.

## Opportunity to Serve Nursery Attendants for December

Infant Nursery - Kathy Bradley/Mary Kathryn Asencio  
Toddler Nursery - Kenda Haskins/Taylor Haskins  
*We request only assigned attendants and helpers stay in the nursery during worship with the exception if the child's parent needs to stay in there with him or her. Please, no siblings without parental supervision.*



## Our Prayer List

*Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the church office.*

**Ray Dowdy** - Health Issues  
Father of Ron Dowdy  
**Janet Elkins** - Mastectomy  
Daughter of Pat Elkins  
**Garren Jay** - Leg amputated  
Cousin of Brenda Waugh

**Geraldine Johnson**  
- Brain Tumor  
Aunt of Charlene Kidd  
**Roger Kernes** - cancer  
Father of Robert Kernes  
**Debbie Langstaff** -Cancer  
Cousin of Beth Pettay  
**Tina Moore** - expecting twins  
Friend of Sara Tumilson  
**Jimmy McIntosh**  
Son of Wilma McIntosh  
**Brenda McCord** - Cancer  
Friends of Ashbys, Holroyds, Nicholsons, and Simkins  
**Don Pipkin** - prostate cancer  
Father of Eric Pipkin and Sherrie Hankins  
**Robert Ramsey**  
Brother of Pat Elkins  
**Jeff Soward** - MS & Lupus  
Brotherin-law of Aldea McClure  
**Laedyn Kay Sprague** - AML  
Friend of Rachel Emerson  
**Hilda Starrs** - bypass surgery  
Cousin of Mechele Gonzalez  
**Pam Thrower** - Lung Cancer  
Daughter of the Sisemores  
**David Williams** Kidney Transplant,  
cousin of the Kilpatricks  
**Denny Woodward** - Cancer  
Son of JoAnn Woodward

## Those Battling Cancer

**Charlie Brown**  
**Freida Hughes**  
**Robert Kernes**  
**Seth Mohorn**  
**Dick Pate**  
**Edna Porter**  
**Al Simpson**  
**Herman Sisemore**  
**Charles Shumate**  
**Salina Wilson**

## Elder to Contact

Elder to contact in **December** with your prayer requests is:  
**Harry Ware** - 957-4919



## Those Shut In

**Dee Dearman**  
**Doug Dunbar**  
**Gladys Dutton**  
**Don & Marie Edwards**  
**Dan Hash**  
**Carolyn Howard**  
**Don McClane**  
**James Price**  
**Verna Tackett**  
**Linda Taggart**  
**Elsie White**

## Continue to Remember

**Beth Clem**  
**Carl Gilliam**  
**Harold Gooden**  
**Heath Woods**