

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 26, 2026

Song: **11** – *Praise Him! Praise Him!*

Song: **796** – *Where He Leads I'll Follow*

First prayer: **Adam Bentley**

Song: **93** – *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Communion servers: **Chrishawn Thompson** & **Mark Brandt**

Prayer for giving: **Mernie Ray**

Song: **880** – *Soldiers of Christ, Arise*

Sermon: “Examining the NIV” – **Jerry Brewer**

Invitation song: **420** – *Come to the Feast*

Closing song: **691** – *Farther Along*

Closing prayer: **Larry Simmons**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Shane, Alyssa, and Casey – traveling
- Gloria Hendrix – health
- Talisa Thompson (Chrishawn’s mom) – surgery recovery
- Ralph Ashley (Alyssa’s uncle) – cancer
- Pattie Hutchinson & Bruce Shive (Sue’s siblings) – health concerns
- Starlyn Cooper, Carmen Lawson, Kim Nguyen – cancer
- Fannie Ray (Mernie’s sister-in-law)
- Kim’s cousin’s son (Isaac Wood)–hole in heart caused by stroke (upcoming surgery)
- Our members with health issues: Kim, David

Please continue to remember: Connie Townsend, Lucinda, Vipin & India work, Aruna Kavali, Marinda Breeding, Holley Brewer, Kevin Brewer, Dylan Walker

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Happy birthday to **Declan Ray** (July 29th)!
- Gospel meeting with **Lee Moses** Aug 24-26. Let’s plan to attend, and invite others!
- “Precept Upon Precept” is a YouTube channel with many sermons/articles
(www.youtube.com/@preceptuponprecept8495); www.youtube.com/@churchofChrist-

RECORD FOR WEEK OF JULY 19, 2026

ATTENDANCE:

Bible Class – 10 AM Worship – 16 Sun PM – 10 DBR – 7 Wed (7/22) – 13

Contribution – \$1661

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Sunday Bible class: 9am **Worship** 10am & 12:30pm **Wednesday Bible class:** 7pm

Matthew 9:37-38 “The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest.”

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GOD’S WAY WORKS; MAN’S DOES NOT

Naaman was a captain in the Syrian army, “a great man with his master, and honourable,...he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was a leper” (2 Kin. 5:1). Leprosy is a slowly progressing, incurable and highly infectious skin disease. It would begin as a rash or other topical skin disorder but would continue to destroy the skin and also result in loss of bone mass and deformities. Israelites who contracted the disease were cast out of the camp, quarantined, and considered unclean (Lev. 13:44-46). For a mighty man of valor, such as Naaman, leprosy was indeed a devastating and life-changing development.

The only way to depose the leprosy was by means of a miracle. After hearing of Naaman’s plight, Elisha calls for Naaman to come to him that Naaman “*shall know that there is a prophet in Israel*” (2 Kings 5:8). Naaman was commanded to “*go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean*” (5:10). God’s way was simple and complete. Naaman’s leprosy would be totally healed and his skin returned to health by simply obeying the word of God. Instead, Naaman “*turned and went away in a rage*” (5:12). Naaman was expecting something more from the prophet of God—some grandiose show or performance, or at the least, the option to wash in a much cleaner or nicer body of water than the Jordan River. Naaman’s way was to reject the Word of God and walk away. Naaman’s way led him to remain a leper, unclean, and sure to be overtaken and killed by his disease. Fortunately for Naaman, one of his servants talked some sense into him and convinced Naaman

to dip *“himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean”* (5:14).

Many today are waiting for some grand sign or vision to come to them to prove they are saved. They are spiritual lepers, plagued by sin, who have rejected the Word of God to follow the ways of some denomination. Sadly, many sincere individuals still wait, remaining in sin and doomed to spiritual death (Rom. 6:23), instead of obeying the simple plan provided by God in His Word—Hear (Rom. 10:17), Believe (Heb. 11:6), Repent (Acts 2:38), Confess (Rom. 10:9-10), and be baptized to have past sins washed away (Acts 22:16). Be cleansed of your spiritual leprosy today. Just as Naaman was cleansed from his leprosy by obeying God’s Word and dipping beneath the waters of the Jordan River, you too can be cleansed from sin by obeying God’s Word and being dipped into the watery grave of baptism. As Naaman arose from that water pure and clean, you too can arise from baptism *“a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new”* (2 Cor. 5:17). God’s way works.

Brad Green

A FAITHFUL PRIEST

In 2 Peter 3:5, we are told that Christians are a holy priesthood. Every Christian is a priest (Revelation 1:6). Under the Mosaical Law, only men could be priests. However, women and men are priests in the church. Every person, whether black or white or Chinese or Egyptian or able to walk or paralyzed, can be a priest if the person becomes a Christian.

We know that the priests under the Old Law performed sacrifices. The sacrifices they gave to God were animals in many cases. An animal had to be killed and placed on the altar. Christians perform sacrifices as well. Christians do not kill animals and place them on an altar. Instead, Christians pray, sing and give. Those go up to God as sweet-smelling sacrifices. Christians also make themselves living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

Some professed Christians say that there really is nothing a person has to do once a person is a Christian. They say there are no works, commandments or regulations that God requires. That was not the case under the Old Law, and that is not the case under the New Law either. God has always required service and obedience. Even under the Patriarchal Law, individuals had to be obedient.

This obedience principle is stated very well in 1 Samuel 2:35, where it says, *“And I will raise me up a faithful priest, that shall do according to that which is in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed forever.”* God desires priests who follow Him. God desires priests that bring their hearts and minds to follow Him. Only those who do according to his commandments are faithful.

Study your Bible. Learn all you can about God’s will for us. Then, follow His commands and regulations. Make sure you are a faithful priest.

Mark McWhorter

What Must I Do to Be Saved?

1. [HEAR THE WORD](#)
Romans 10:17 – “So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.”
2. [BELIEVE IN JESUS](#)
John 3:16 – “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” **John 8:24** – “...if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins.”
3. [REPENT OF YOUR SINS](#)
Luke 13:3–“...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.” **Acts 17:30**–“And the times of this ignorance God overlooked, but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent.” **2 Corinthians 7:10**–“For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.”
4. [CONFESS THAT JESUS IS LORD](#)
Romans 10:9-10–“if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” (Also **Matthew 10:32-33**; see **Acts 8:37** for an example.)
5. [BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS](#)
Mark 16:16–“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved”; **Acts 2:38**–“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...”; **Acts 22:16**–“Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord”; **1 Peter 3:21**–“...baptism doth also now save us...”
6. [REMAIN FAITHFUL](#)
1 Corinthians 15:58–“Therefore...be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord”; **Colossians 1:23**–“...if ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard”; **Revelation 2:10**–“Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”