

SERVICE SCHEDULE for March 8, 2015

Announcements for the Week	Marshall Irvin
Morning Service	Evening Service
Prayer- Jason LaChappelle	Prayer- Jason LaChappelle
Song Leader- Andy Dobbs	Song Leader- Andy Dobbs
Communion:	
-- Comments – Andy Fuller	Comments – Marshall Irvin
-- Assisting – Roger German	Communion – Trey Irvin
-- Assisting – Tyler Akins	
-- Assisting – David Johnson	
-- Assisting – John MacQuilliam	
-- Scripture – Dan Buselmeier	Scripture – Connor LaChappelle
Closing Prayer- Andy Fuller	Closing Prayer- Scott Lucas
Wednesday Night – March 11, 2015	
First Prayer – Russ Sollars	
Song Leader – Roger German	
Invitation – Scott Lucas	
Closing Prayer – Curran LaChappelle	
March 22 Evening Service: Mike Shepherd	
March 29 Evening Song & Scripture Service	

Upcoming Assignments

March	Communion	Cleaning
15	Criswell	Dobbs, Bailey, Fuller, LaChappelle, Shacklock
22	Fuller	Dorn, Irvin, Williams, Griffing

Ladies Bible Study

The ladies have a bible class scheduled for the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. They meet here at the church building March 16 @ 7:00PM.

Good Thoughts -- So often, we had the tendency of saying, they're the problem. No, they're not the problem. Our heart is the problem. They are just there to show me what is in my heart. They don't put those things in my heart. They don't put the wrath, the bitterness in my heart. Those things are already there. — Lowell Nelson



Schedule of Services

Sunday: 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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Deacons: John Paul Baker, Doug Davidson, Andy Fuller,

Marshall Irvin, Jason LaChappelle

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Snakes and Other Creepy Things

1. Who had a rod that turned into a snake?
2. According to Old Testament Law, what hopping insects were edible?
3. In Revelation, what sort of creatures had tails that were like snakes?
4. Who did Jesus refer to as a brood of vipers?



The God I Don't Always Get

By Edwin Crozier

Look at that picture for a moment. It is an artist's rendition of the Milky Way. [Genesis 1:1](#) says God made that.



Somewhere in one of the arms of this spiral galaxy floats our little solar system. Three planets out from the sun in our solar system hangs our little planet. Somewhere on this planet sits little ol' me, banging away on my tiny computer. [Genesis 1:1](#) reminds me God is "bigger" than me. When I try to wrap my little brain around the immensity of this, I recognize God made me. I did not make Him. I live by His rules. He does not live by mine.



[The God I Don't Always Get](#)

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This has certain ramifications on a practical level that many people struggle to accept. If God made us and we didn't make God, then our God is going to surprise us sometimes. If God does not live by my rules and does not follow the thoughts in my head, He is not always going to be completely in line with what I conceive. He is going to do and say things that shock me. He is going to do and say things that do not fit in with my sensitivities or my preconceptions. Let's face it—God doesn't have to ask my permission before He acts. He doesn't have to make sure it fits in with what I expect before He speaks. He is God.

I don't know how many times I have heard people claim, "I just can't believe in the God of the Bible. I don't think God would ever _____" (fill in the blank with something shockingly violent, shockingly judgmental, shockingly merciful, shockingly shocking).

Sometimes, I begin to wonder myself. Could they be right? Would God really act like that? Then I remember the Milky Way. God made that. I didn't. God made me. I didn't make Him.

If the god in which I believe has only ever acted in ways that made absolute perfect sense to me, I probably don't believe in the real God, but in a god of my own making. The real God is not limited by what makes sense to me. As [Isaiah 55:8-9](#) says, the ways and thoughts of the true God are above my ways and thoughts.

So, I admit it. I serve a God I don't get sometimes. But He is God, so I serve Him. Maybe when I enter His physical presence, I'll have some questions to ask Him. Then again, maybe I'll be so shockingly happy to be in His presence none of those questions will matter anymore. I probably won't be all that worried that I didn't always get Him. I'll just be glad He got me.



[The Pianist & The Mice](#)

By James Hewitt



A family of mice lived in a large piano. In their piano-world came the music of the instrument, filling all the dark spaces with sound and harmony.

At first the mice were impressed by it. They drew comfort from the thought that there was Someone who made the

music – though invisible to them – above, yet close. They loved to think of the Great Player whom they could not see.

Then one day a daring mouse climbed far up the piano and returned very thoughtful. He had found how music was made. Wires were the secret; tightly stretched wires of graduated lengths which trembled and vibrated. They must revise all their old beliefs: none but the most conservative could believe in the Unseen Player.

Later, another explorer carried the explanation further. Hammers were now the secret, numbers of hammers dancing and leaping on the wires. This was a more complicated theory, but it showed that they lived in a purely mechanical and mathematical world. The Unseen Player came to be thought of as a myth.

But the Pianist continued to play.



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1. Moses [Exodus 4:3]
2. Locusts and grasshoppers [Leviticus 11:22]
3. Horses [Revelation 9:19]
4. The Scribes & the Pharisees [Matthew 23:33]

