

SERVICE SCHEDULE for March 15, 2015

Announcements for the Week

Jason LaChappelle

Morning Service

Evening Service

Prayer- Dan Buselmeier

Prayer- Mike Shepherd

Song Leader- Doug Davidson

Song Leader- John Paul Baker

Communion:

Comments – Andy Fuller

-- **Comments** – Andy Dobbs

Communion – Kevin Criswell

-- **Assisting** – Cliff Davis

-- **Assisting** – Darryl Griffing

-- **Assisting** – Dean Shacklock

-- **Assisting** – Connor LaChappelle

-- **Scripture** – Curran LaChappelle

Scripture – Tyler Akins

Closing Prayer- Don Casper

Closing Prayer- M Foxworthy

Wednesday Night – March 18, 2015

First Prayer- David Johnson

Song Leader – Scott Lucas

Invitation – Trey Irvin

Closing Prayer – Phillip Dorn

March 22 Evening Service: Mike Shepherd

March 29 Evening Song & Scripture Service

Upcoming Assignments

March	Communion	Cleaning
22	Fuller	Dorn, Irvin, Williams, Griffing
29	Johnson	Foxworthy, German, Sollars, Jones, Stewart

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 tomorrow @ 7:00PM.

Good Thoughts -- The transition from lost to found is never an easy one. It is never easy to be a prodigal son. It is never easy to say, 'I will arise and go to my father ...' (Luke 15:18, 19). Not until our situation becomes completely hopeless that we can humble ourselves to the extent of admitting that such a gross mistake was our own. — Robert L. Short



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 was the first shepherd?
2. Which prophet said, "All we like sheep have gone astray"?
3. Who had compassion on the people because they seemed like sheep without a shepherd?
4. Who called Saul on the carpet because he had heard the bleating of sheep taken in a battle with the Amalekites?



The Unguarded Approach

By Kevin Cauley

On the morning of July 4th, 1776, the founding fathers signed the declaration of independence. Later on that same day, a British armada carrying some 34,000 British soldiers began landing on Staten Island where Lt. Gen. Sir William Howe made his headquarters.

On August 22nd, the British began preparing to cross from Staten Island to just south of Brooklyn on Long Island and by August 26th those 34,000 British troops were heading toward Brooklyn which was being defended by George Washington's Continental Army of 13000 only half of whom were stationed in Brooklyn.



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Howe's goal was the capture of Manhattan Island where the British would have control of the Hudson River thus driving a wedge between the Northern and Southern American forces. On August 27th, the British attacked and drove back Washington's men to the Brooklyn Heights. This forced Washington to retreat over the East River to Manhattan Island by a dangerous but brilliant night crossing.

Key to the British victory was the Jamaican pass through which the British were able to march a large force and flank Washington's armies from the rear. The Jamaican pass was only defended by five militia officers who surrendered without a shot being fired. The British won the battle through an unguarded approach.

The Christian soldier fights his battles on a daily basis. While the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but spiritual (2 Corinthians 10:4), we must still keep an eye open on all avenues through which Satan would seek to take advantage of us through his devices (2 Corinthians 2:11). If we leave any approach unguarded, Satan will surely use that to devour us (1 Peter 5:8). What are some of these unguarded approaches that Satan may use?

One often unguarded approach is the television set. Hollywood loves to influence the nation toward its liberal philosophy by means of broadcast media. Television allows the liberal media to control the information that most households receive thus being able to influence them toward the desired perspective. Homosexuality has made favorable inroads into the American consciousness largely through television



programs that desensitize the subject through humor and sympathetic characters.

Television has also undermined the place and authority of the husband and father in the home by casting husbands and fathers as ridiculous and unnecessary relics of the past. Television also has a great effect upon our personal speech; what is said on television is often imitated by those spellbound by its mesmerizing tube. Satan has slowly and insidiously flanked us through this unguarded approach.

How many of us are so consumed with managing the details of our own personal lives that we never find the time to do any work for the Lord? We wake up, eat a quick breakfast and then are off to work. We get home, eat dinner, plop down in front of the television and the day is over before we've even had a chance to read our Bibles, spend some time in prayer, or talk to a friend about the Lord. This process repeats itself for many of us six days out of the week until Sunday when we have to take the day off because we don't have any time "for self." Satan has conquered us through this unguarded approach.

How many other unguarded approaches do we have in our life? I'm sure we could all fill in our own blanks. The question at this point isn't do we have them, but what to do about them. We must be vigilant in not giving Satan any advantage over us. We need to keep a close watch on those approaches that we often take for granted and leave unguarded. Let us also be sober minded, realizing that Satan can use any avenue we leave unguarded to sway us. We have a good fight to fight; let us fight it with perseverance and truth.



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1. Abel [Genesis 4:2]
2. Isaiah [Isaiah 53:6]
3. Jesus [Matthew 9:36]
4. Samuel [1 Samuel 15:14]

