

## **February 25: Sunday Worship Leaders**

**Songs:** Clem Rosenberger III  
**Opening Prayer:** Carl Nulph  
**Communion-presiding:** Ryan Barron  
**Communion-serving:** Tom Sellers, Jr.,  
 Garret Elder, Frank Ridenour  
**Scripture:** Randy Grossman  
**Scripture Reading:** Esther 1:1-9  
**Sermon:** Brandon Foresha  
**Closing Prayer:** Scott Waltenbaugh  
**Remarks:** Brian Steffy  
**Communion Prep:** Jill Wright

## **March 3: Sunday Worship Leaders**

**Songs:** Randy Grossman  
**Opening Prayer:** Rick Smith  
**Communion-presiding:** Clem Rosenberger III  
**Communion-serving:** Justen Traxler,  
 Jason Tennant, Kendal Grossman  
**Scripture:** Nolan Grossman  
**Scripture Reading:** Esther 1:10-22  
**Sermon:** Brandon Foresha  
**Closing Prayer:** Caleb Smith  
**Remarks:** Ben Wright  
**Communion Prep:**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Ladies' Bible Study:** *March 7* on Prayer. Every other Thursday at 1:30 pm at the building.
- **Every Wednesday at 1pm:** a group gathers at the building for visiting. See Ben or Brandon.
- **Today:** Fellowship dinner for the Lads2Leaders group.
- **Sunday afternoon studies:** Please sign up to teach a lesson from the new study book on table in foyer.
- The teens will be collecting kids clothing (2T-8) and hard candy to send to the school where Mike Guthrie is working in Africa. They will be sending a care package if you have anything to donate. They will also be sending care packages to our 3 college students.
- **Transform Ladies Conference:** September 6-8. Pigeon Forge, TN. Please RSVP to Debby by March 4.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES**

- Gabe's brother, Will, tore his ACL for the second time. Pray for his upcoming surgery.
- Laurie Barron's nephew, David, is on the USS Dwight Eisenhower with the Navy. Please pray for safety.
- Julie Delp has some upcoming tests and needs to see a specialist before her next surgery.
- Please pray for Susan Lee's family.
- Linda Fiscus has tests in the coming up. So far the doctors can't find anything wrong with her heart.
- Marshall Moore's, dad, had brain surgery to remove an aggressive fist-sized tumor. Please pray for him during this long recovery.
- Melinda's friend's father-in-law is having surgery soon.

**February 25, 2024**

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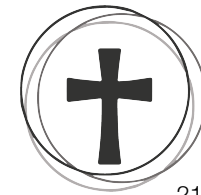
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TO  
**Kittanning**  
 Church of Christ

213 Blaney Road, Kittanning, PA 16201  
*(Behind the Dairy Queen)*



### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**Sunday Morning Bible Class: 9:30 AM**  
**Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM**  
**Sunday Evening Service: 2:30 PM**  
**Wednesday Eve Bible Study: 7:00 PM**

### Options for accessing services:

- Join us on **Facebook** at **Kittanning Church of Christ Group**
- To listen **via phone**, call in at **1-408-418-9388**; at prompt **enter code 797 046 235**
- For **Webex conference** go to:

**<https://kittanningchurchofchrist.my.webex.com/meet/clemdebby>.**

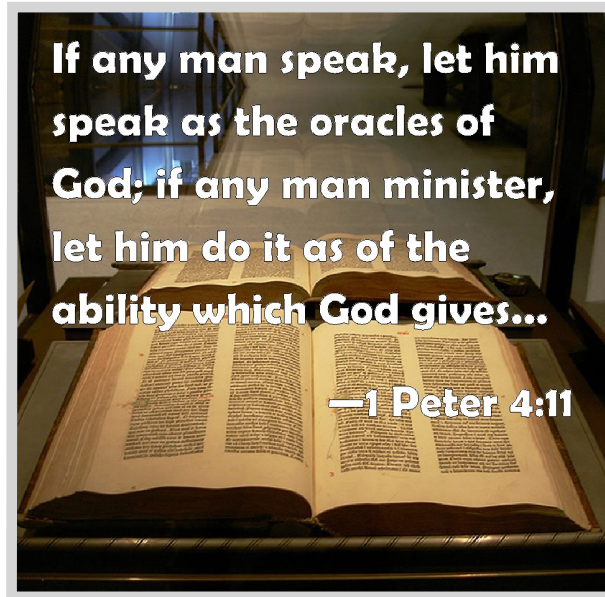
You will likely have to download Webex program on a computer or cell phone app. Follow instructions from the link. **Meeting # is 797046235**

**PLEASE MUTE YOUR PHONE** if you use Webex and are not asking questions or commenting. If you have questions about Webex, please call Debby at (724) 954-4776.

**\*\*Remind App text message system:** To sign up and receive messages please text this Number- 81010 with this Message- @32f4df

## “I Think” vs. “Thus Saith the Lord”

When it comes to matters of judgment in the church and the Christian life, perhaps there is room for someone to say, “I think this is ok” or “I think that is ok.” For example, what time should the church meet to worship on the first day of the week? If a congregation has Bible classes on Sunday, should they be before or after the worship? Is it ok for a Christian to wear a shirt with images of the crucifixion of Jesus on it? There are many questions that are matters of judgment. While every answer should first look to Scripture and base any response on Biblical principles, there is room to answer with an “I think” or “In my opinion” or “It seems to me.” For the most part, there is no right or wrong answer. HOWEVER, in matters of faith (notice the difference, as this is not a matter of judgment), one’s opinion is of no consequence and should not be offered as a guiding principle. For example, would it be permissible for the church to worship on Saturday instead of Sunday? Should women be given opportunities to lead in worship services, as the men are? Would it be appropriate to offer both a “contemporary” worship service (with mechanical instruments, soloists, etc.) and a “traditional” worship service (with acapella singing, men in leadership roles, etc.), and to allow folks to choose their preferred style? There are many questions that are NOT in the realm of judgment but are in the realm of faith. Those questions must be treated differently. In matters of faith, where God has spoken and has given divine direction, there is no room for “I think” or “It seems to me.” The only thing that matters is “Thus saith the Lord”! When God spoke through the prophets, they “spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit,” without offering their own “private



interpretation” (2 Pet. 1:20-21). It was essential that they speak the very words that God gave them to speak. In fact, the Lord told the prophet Ezekiel, “I will make your tongue cling to the roof of your mouth, so that you shall be mute... But when I speak with you, I will open your mouth, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God’” (Ezek. 3:26-27). Ezekiel could not speak unless he spoke exactly what the Lord said! What a concept! Brethren, the Lord’s church today must stand where God stands and speak “Thus saith the Lord” in all things. Peter said, “If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God” (1 Pet. 4:11). When I begin an answer with, “I think,” then a person’s faith is in me and my answer. BUT, when I begin an answer with, “The Scripture says over in this verse that...,” then a person’s faith can be in the Scripture, if they will “search” them and apply them (Acts 17:11). Let’s get ourselves out of the way!

– David Sproule, Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

February 29 – Tim(TJ) & Laura Michael

✉ *Letters of Encouragement*

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“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

– Philippians 4:6–7 (NIV)

*Thank you for attending services with the church  
who meets in Kittanning! We invite  
you to*