

# EASTERN SHORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018



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**Minister, Sand Creek Church of Christ in Guyana:** Innocent Marcello  
**Minister, Awarawaunau Church of Christ in Guyana:** Elvis Bernard



**Thank you for joining us today at Eastern Shore Church of Christ!**  
Whether you are a long-time member here or a visitor, we are thrilled to have you. Please be sure to stick around following services so we can get to know you a little better, and let us know if we can do anything for you!

## Elders

Sid Chupek  
Bill Jordan  
Scott Kelly  
John Langham

## Deacons

Chad Chupek  
Tim Kenney  
Jonathan Ling  
Scott Lloyd  
Kent Purser

## Sunday

Bible Class 9 AM  
Worship 10 AM  
Worship 5 PM

## Wednesday

Bible Study 7 PM

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## Today's Sermons

### **Morning Service**

Compelled to a New Life  
2 Corinthians 5:14-17

### **Evening Service**

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Jeremiah 24:1-10

<sup>14</sup> For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup> and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

<sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.

<sup>17</sup> Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

**2 Corinthians 5:14-17 ESV**

**What's  
Happening**

We have a wide variety of events, such as game nights, trips to various local events, singings, and devotionals for all ages.

**See more  
details inside the bulletin!**

## Events for today:

**Lads to Leaders** will have puppet practice at 4:00 PM. Bible Bowl will be on Exodus 1-5 and will be held after evening services.

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## Events for this week:

### Tuesday:

**Men's Weekly Brown Bag Bible Study**, 9-10 AM

**Men's Weekly Evening Bible Study**, 6:30 PM  
(all meet in the Fellowship Hall).

### Saturday:

**Ladies Monthly Bible Study**, 8:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a breakfast item to share.

**Girls Day Out at Creekwood church**, 9:30 AM. More info is on the bulletin board across from the library.

**Sight & Sound Theaters present "Moses"**, 12:55 PM at the AMC Jubilee Square 12 in Daphne. The cost is \$13.69/per person. Susan Ling has volunteered to pick up tickets for anyone interested. We invite everyone to meet us at CiCi's Pizza at noon for lunch and then enjoy the movie with the L2L.

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## Next Sunday:

**Youth Area Wide** at Azalea City church of Christ. See Jonathan Ling if you will be riding the church van.



09/10 Anna Sandrell  
Carol Jordan  
09/19 Tony Jackson  
09/21 Mike Sanford  
09/23 Judy Singleton  
09/24 Barbara Stewart  
09/25 Seth Ratliff  
09/26 Joy Hill  
09/27 Jerry Brown  
09/28 Colby Sanford  
09/29 Frank Bramblett

**Hospitality Team** for September is:

**Linda Farris & Linda Chupek**

If a need arises, these ladies will help provide food to the sick or bereaved. If you would like to help, please contact the ladies in the Hospitality group.

### Ladies Day at Robertsdale

Saturday, Sept. 22nd, 9-12 PM

"Better Together". Breakfast is provided.

More info is on the bulletin board across from the library.

**If you are not receiving our email, phone or text alerts**, please let Glenda know by emailing her at [glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com](mailto:glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com).

## Mark Your Calendar!

- 09/16 Area Wide Youth at Azalea City church of Christ.
- 09/18 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.  
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 09/20 Ladies Bible Study, 11-12 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 09/21 Knowledge Seekers, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 09/22 Ladies Day at Robertsdale, 9-12 PM. "Better Together". Breakfast is provided.
- 09/23 L2L puppets at 4:00; Bible Bowl on Exodus 6-10 following evening services.  
Mark Your Calendar Meeting following evening services. Please bring finger foods and drinks.
- 09/25 Men's Brown Bag Bible Study, 9-10 AM in the Fellowship Hall.  
Men's Evening Bible Study, 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.
- 09/28 Decorate for Ladies Day, 9:00 AM. Volunteers needed to help.
- 09/29 Ladies Day "Sister to Sister", 8:30 AM. Guest Speaker: Martha Ryan.
- 09/30 5th Sunday Fellowship.

## Part 2: 8 Mistaken Ideas About Baptism

By: Wayne Jackson for “*Christian Courier*”

### “Sprinkling Is an Acceptable Mode of Baptism”

It is a well-known fact that many religious groups, in the administration of what they call “baptism,” do not immerse. Rather, they either pour water or sprinkle it on the candidate’s head. But this procedure ignores the following facts.

The Greek word *bapto* means to “immerse”—nothing else. So the standard Greek lexicons affirm (Balz & Schneider, 192). Note that the word is translated “dip” in passages where there is no theological bias involved (cf. [Lk. 16:24](#); [Jn. 13:26](#)).

Next, the New Testament makes it quite plain that baptism involves a **burial and resurrection** ([Rom. 6:4](#); [Col. 2:12](#)). Sprinkling and pouring certainly do not require this.

Then, history is explicit regarding the fact that sprinkling or pouring are post-apostolic innovations. The historian Mosheim declares that baptism, in the first century, “was performed by an immersion of the whole body in the baptismal font” (36).

### “Baptism Is Just a Symbol of Salvation”

A common denominational declaration regarding the purpose of baptism is this: “Baptism is a mere symbol of salvation. It is an outward sign of an inward grace.” Frequently 1 Peter 3:21 will be employed in an attempt to prove this assertion. Baptist writer B. H. Carroll, in his discussion of 1 Peter 3:21, declared that baptism “saves us in a figure, not reality” (218).

But there is absolutely **no New Testament support** for this allegation. Consider the following:

First, the Bible plainly teaches that baptism is “for the remission of sins” ([Acts 2:38](#)), it is to “wash away your sins” ([Acts 22:16](#)), it puts one “into Christ” ([Rom. 6:4](#), [Gal. 3:27](#)), etc.

Second, in every New Testament passage where baptism and salvation are mentioned together, baptism always comes **before salvation** (cf. [Mk. 16:16](#); [Acts 2:38](#); [1 Pet. 3:21](#)).

Third, 1 Peter 3:21 does not say that baptism merely saves **figuratively**.

What it does teach is this. Noah and his family were saved **through water**. What does that mean? They were transported by means of water from a world of sin to a cleansed environment. Our salvation is the anti-type (“like-figure” — Greek: *antitupos*) of that. The anti-type refers to **the reality** that the figure represents. By baptism we are conveyed from the state of guilt to the state of redemption. Robert Stein, Baptist scholar, has recently acknowledged:

“At times salvation is said to come about through baptism. Here once again we can mention 1 Peter 3:21, where baptism is clearly said to save. The only way that we can separate baptism from salvation in this statement is by attributing to the word baptism a meaning different from which it usually bears” (335).

Elsewhere Dr. Stein declares that any attempt to spiritualize the water of 1 Peter 3:21 “drowns in the flood waters mentioned in verse 20!” (330).

### “Baptism Is a Work of Human Merit”

Another twist to the foregoing error is the charge that baptism is excluded from the plan of redemption because it is a “work.” And since no one is saved by “works” ([Eph. 2:9](#)), baptism cannot be a part of our salvation.

Our response is as follows:

First, baptism is a divine command ([Acts 10:48](#)) given by the Lord. To classify it as a work of human merit disdained in Ephesians 2:9 is a gross form of wickedness.

Second, if baptism is a work of human merit, then those who receive it, believing that it is “for the remission of sins,” have trusted in the wrong Savior and thus remain lost. No one can therefore patronizingly say: “We believe you are wrong on baptism, but we still accept you as brother in Christ.” That is nonsense.

Third, the New Testament clearly denies that baptism is a work of human merit. Paul declared that we are not saved by **works of human righteousness**, but that we are saved by the **washing of regeneration** — or water baptism ([Tit. 3:5](#)). Even Baptist scholar A. T. Robertson admits that the expression “washing of regeneration” is probably a “reference to baptism,” though he denies the plain language of the passage that connects the washing with salvation (607).

Simply put, human works of merit and water baptism are not in the same category. When one is raised in baptism, it is a “working of God” ([Col. 2:12](#)), not a meritorious act of human effort.

*To be continued.....*

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

### Please keep in your prayers:

**Harry Cooper**— has fluid on his heart. (father of Gayla Porter).  
**Stan Cooper**— tests show a spot on his lung. (brother of Gayla Porter).  
**Don Gill**— been having problems with vertigo.  
**Brenda Davis**— while visiting her daughter in Virginia, she tore her meniscus and might need surgery.  
**John Langham**— Left for Guyana this past Thursday.  
**Ms. Weatherton**— fell and suffered multiple injuries (friend of Gail Bush).  
**Lum Morrison**— recovering from a UTI.  
**Beverly Mann**— She has had multiple health problems. Pray for peace and comfort for her family during this time. (Mother of Karen Schoonmaker and grandmother of Toni Sunday).

### Please remember our friends and loved ones who are fighting cancer:

**Gus Stranch**— leukemia (great nephew of Patti Van Iderstine).  
**Betty Holt**- Breast cancer & Alzheimer's (friend of Glenda Verrett).  
**Kristy Laster**— Liver cancer (neighbor of Isenhowers).  
**Jeff Stewart**— Brain cancer. (friend of Jerry Doughty).  
**Cheryl Lawrence**- cancer (friend of Jo Ann McDonald).  
**Dina Von Campe**— Breast cancer.  
**Patrick Hubble**- cancer (mother is a friend of Amanda Lloyd).  
**Susan Burns**- cancer (Daughter of Sue Long).

### Please keep our shut-ins in your prayers:

**MaeBelle Perry, Vi Vines, Lum Morrison, Elizabeth Till, Hampton and Gail Bush, James & Ann Christopher.**

Help us keep our **bulletin & sick list** up to date!  
Please email *Glenda* at [glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com](mailto:glenda.verrettescoc@gmail.com)  
to have someone added, updated or removed from the sick list. Thank you!

## Privileged to Serve

Greeters:	Scott & Amanda Lloyd
Usher:	Peter Verrett
Jr. Usher:	Caleb Ratliff
Communion:	Lynd Saint-Louis
Building Lockup:	Scott Lloyd
Treasurer Assistants:	Chad Chupek and Tim Kenney
Yard Team	Tim Kenney and Fritz Saint-Louis

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## Sunday Morning

Lord's Table (presiding):	Tim Kenney
(serving):	James Day
	Ed Johnson
	Robert Jones
	John Sibley
Leading Prayer:	Garlin Farris
	Jessie Olive
Leading Singing:	Noah Evans
Scripture Reading:	Colby Sanford
Nursery:	Chastity Ford

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## Sunday Evening

Leading Prayer:	Johnny McLaughlin
	James Day
Leading Singing:	Quincy Saint-Louis
Nursery:	Bobbi Evans

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