

The Weekly Church Bulletin
NEWARK CHURCH OF CHRIST
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Our 2025 THEME...
WITH GOD ON OUR SIDE,
WE CAN THRIVE IN 2025!
 Philippians 3:13,14
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CHEAP GRACE, AN ENEMY OF GOD

A lonely figure leans over his bare wooden table in a German prison. He is busily writing his thoughts about faith and grace, knowing that his guards, who have come to admire and respect him, will smuggle his writings out of the prison to his friends. This man's name is Dietrich Bonhoeffer, one of several German preachers who dared to speak out against Adolph Hitler. On April 9, 1945, Bonhoeffer was killed by the Germans. In his writings, he talked about **CHEAP GRACE** and **COSTLY GRACE**. Cheap grace is wanting to be a Christian without wanting to change any of our ways of living. It is forgiveness without repentance. That of course, is not the kind of grace that the Bible talks about. God's grace is **COSTLY** because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it cost a man his life; it is costly because it condemns sin and grace because it justifies the sinner. Read Romans 5:6-8; 8-32.

Cheap Grace Is The Deadly Enemy To The Church Because It Asks For An Intellectual Assent As Faith. Someone says, "Jesus paid it all, and all to Him I owe. There is nothing for me to do." Someone else says, "Only believe and you will be saved. Matthew 7:21 tells us that we must do the will of God to be saved. Mark 16:15,16 tells us that we must believe and be baptized to be saved. Cheap grace is wanting to be a Christian without wanting to change any of our ways of living. Cheap grace says that you don't have to give anything to be saved. **SALVATION IS FREE.** My Christian friends, you can't beat God's giving no matter how you try. We must give to God as we have been prospered if we want to make heaven our home. (I Cor. 16:1,2)

Cheap Grace Has Changed God's Plan Of Salvation! Costly grace says to commune on the first day of the week. (Acts 20:7) But cheap grace says once a month, quarterly, annually or neverly will do. Cheap grace says that one drop of water is as good as an ocean, but costly grace says be buried in water baptism. (Rom. 6:4) When you streamline the gospel, you sprinkle folk and pour water on them. Cheap Grace is an enemy of God

— The Late Dr. Eugene Lawton

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ANYWHERE IN OUR BUILDING at any of the **NCOCGWIFI** user names.
 The password is **Acts2:38**

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Church Calendar

Sunday
 Bible School
 10:00 am

Worship Service

11:00 am

Thursday Bible Classes

6:00 pm

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SENIOR CITIZENS' DINNER The date is **Sunday, April 27, 2025** at 2:00 p.m. in the church dining hall. You must be at least 60 years old for a complimentary meal. The cost to attend is \$20.00 for non-seniors. Please give your name to sisters **Tonya Jones or Vivian Francis** by **Sunday, April 20th** if you wish to attend so we can prepare for adequate food supply.

SENIORS' APPRECIATION CONTRIBUTION DAY is **Sunday, April 20, 2025**. We will be taking up a **Love Offering** for our seniors to give them their flowers at the upcoming Seniors' Dinner on Sunday, April 27, 2025.

IN PREPARATION FOR THE 55th ANNUAL NORTHEASTERN YOUTH CONFERENCE we are asking **ALL youth AND adults** who are planning to attend the conference to go to **Newark Church of Christ website and complete early registration online.** Please do this **ASAP** as we are trying to obtain a headcount in advance for the event.

38th ANNUAL CHURCH OF CHRIST LADIES' LECTURESHIP RETREAT is being held in **Chicago IL** at the **Hotel Sheraton Grand Chicago Riverwalk Hotel**. The date is **April 10th – 13th, 2025**. The theme is **Christian Women Surrendering All** taken from **Philippians 3:7-16**. Our very own, **Mikki Taylor** will be the featured speaker at the banquet on **Saturday**. Flyers are available in the front foyer.

SUNDAY LADIES' BIBLE CLASS
 The next Sunday Ladies' Bible Class will meet on **next Sunday, April 6, 2025**, downstairs in the dining hall **immediately following the morning service**. All sisters are invited to attend. Bring a snack if you like. **Sister Mikki Taylor is the teacher.**

PREACHING NEXT SUNDAY BROTHER RANDAL COLSON, **Manchester CT** will **preach** here next Sunday morning and will teach the Sunday Morning Bible School class.



THE FOODBANK ITEM IS A CAN OF GREEN BEANS FOR THIS MONTH.

ORDER OF WORSHIP SUNDAY, April 6, 2025

Service Administrator	Luis Arias
Announcements	Andre Hart, Sr.
Invocation	Pascal Saint Pierre
Song Leader	Cornelius Clark
Scripture	Andre Hart, Jr.
Prayer	Gregory Hunt
Sermon	Dr. Jerry Houston
Administer/Prayer Requests	Terrance Wood, Sr.
Response Assistant	Christopher Lacey
Lord's Supper/Offering	Michael Graves
1—T. Wood, Jr., 2—C. Holey, 3—J. Laudent, 4—R. Bendolph	
Leadership Announcements	Terrance Wood, Sr.
Benediction	Clarence Holley
Attendance Manager	Felicia Clark
USHERS IN MAIN LOBBY	—K. Williams, P. Saint Pierre, V. Williamson
USHERS IN OVERFLOW AUD.	—C. Lacey, D. Carter, A. Bygrave,
ENTRANCE	—C. Holley

Camera	Nyla Camillo
Computer	David Kahiga
Assistant	Clara Woodard

79th ANNUAL NATIONAL LECTURESHIP
WILL BE IN ATLANTA, GA. The date is **April 12—17, 2025** at the Hyatt Regency, Atlanta, GA. The theme: **IF THE FOUNDATION BE DESTROYED, WHAT SHALL THE RIGHTEOUS DO?** (Psalms 11:3). **Jerry Houston** will be one of the speakers. **Mikki Taylor** will speak at the Ladies' Luncheon. Visit www.coclectureship1945.org/ for more information.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY BIBLE STUDY
for **ALL YOUNG ADULTS** is **next Tuesday, April 15th at 7:00 p.m.** This Bible study will be conducted via Zoom: **Meeting ID: 704 392 5072**
Passcode: 904204



SICK LIST AT HOME Curlie Hooper, Sharon Carter, Romni Ellis, Erma Sanders, Rayfield Sanders, Corinthians Williams, Shea Parker

HOSPITALS **Fitzgerald Lawton—Ashbrook Care & Rehab**, 1610 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains NJ; **Fannie Broughton—White House Nursing Home**, 560 Berkeley Ave., Orange NJ; **Hattie Burney—Inglemoor Rehab**, 311 Livingston Ave., Livingston NJ, 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit NJ; **Paul Richardson**

55th ANNUAL **NORTHEASTERN YOUTH CONFERENCE** **April 11-13, 2025**

Theme:
CREATED WITH A PURPOSE!
Ephesians 2:10

Saturday Workshop Speakers:

12:15pm: Discovering God's Purpose For Your Life As A Young Man —Randal Colson, Manchester, CT

12:15pm: Discovering God's Purpose For Your Life As A Young Woman —Jamila Lyiscott, Manchester, CT

2:45pm: Trusting God's Timing In Your Purpose — Deon Booker, Suitland Road, MD

2:45pm: Overcoming Fear And Doubt To Fulfill Your Purpose —Dr. Willie Parker, Montclair, NJ

4:00pm: Youth Only Forum—(Tell It Like It Is) Challenges In Fulfilling My Purpose — Randal Colson & Jamila Lyiscott, PhD, Manchester, CT

4:00pm: Adults/Counselors Workshop — Understanding Our Purpose In Developing Youth — Deon Booker, Suitland Road, MD

Sunday Keynote Preacher

Randal Colson
Manchester, CT

RESPONSES ON LAST SUNDAY T. Sokeye and C. Samuel **were restored**. L. Arias, Y. Enos, S. Wallace, M. Thompson, R. Bendolph, M. Taylor, C. Woodson, G. Graham, G. Jones, T. Grant, R. Love, A. Hart, Sr. and D. Chisolm **requested prayer**. **ONLINE REQUESTS** J. Arias, H. Smalls, S. Hackman and C. Williams
RESPONSES FOR 2025 2 Baptisms, 266 Restorations/Prayer Requests, 3 Placed Memberships

**WELCOME VISITORS, WE ARE SUPER DELIGHTED
TO HAVE YOU WITH US TODAY,
COME AGAIN SOON.**



CALENDAR OF SERVICES



Bible School
Worship
Bible Class
Website

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
Thursday, 6:00 p.m.
newarkchurchofchrist.net

Cable Television in Jersey City
Sunday, 7—7:30pm & Tuesday, 9—9:30pm, Channel 190

We had 208 in attendance in the 11 am service on last Sunday, March 30, 2025.