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 Morning Service at 10 AM  
Men serving today  
 Announcements: George McNulty  
 Song Leader: John Bradford  
 Opening Prayer: James Hayes  
 Lord's Table: John Bradford (Officiating)  
 George McNulty  
 Closing Prayer: Bill Berryhill  
 Wed. Devo: (October 21) John Grimes  
Prayer List  
 Military: Robert Bradford; Bryan  
 Hammond; Richard Harris; Clay Johns; Rett  
 Lambert; Dillon Morris; Phillip Toole,  
 David Brogan III; James McDonough. Please  
 pray for our military and their families.  
Permanent Prayer List  
 Crystal Grimes; Hazel Hayes; Rhea  
 Hoomes; Kathy Nokes; Bonnie Sutton;  
 Doris Taylor; Betty Varner; Janice  
 Winterstein; Valerie McNulty; Sandra  
 Adkinson; ; Raymond Bradford; Louise  
 Edge; Penny Jones; Joey Nelson; Charles  
 Powell; Melissa Rinker; Robbie Parker; Jim  
 Davis; Eva King; Cecil Belk; Dennis Pippin;  
 Kermit Wright; Shylar Green; Kerry  
 Carter; Bill Holladay; Lynne Martin; Ruth  
 Bailey; Debbie Davis; Breanna White; Archie  
 Rodgers; Liz Hobbs; Christy McNulty;  
 Spence Berryhill; Margery Bradford; David  
 Covell; Gary Bowers; Robbie Perkins.; Jaine  
 Lambert;; Larry Ryan; Francis McKee;  
 Teresa Bell; Howard Burgess; Travis  
 Bowers; James Reece; Dave Parker; Renne  
 Boston; Kevin Freeman; Ray Nevius; Liam  
 Alexander; Christine Cusack; Jason Cox;  
 Michael Rose ; Leslie and Fred Pennington;  
 Jim Kendal; Terry and Carren Quinn; Terry  
 Gandy  
Sick-Prayer list (as of Wed. P.M.)  
 Pray for Terry and Ella Evans and the  
 congregation at Kinder coC suffering from  
 Covid and the aftermath of hurricanes  
 Sally and Delta.

**Welcome—**  
 to each of our visitors here today.  
 We appreciate your taking the time  
 to stop by and hope you will come  
 again to worship with us. You honor  
 us with your presence, and we would  
 love to answer any questions you  
 may have.  
*Special welcome and grateful thanks to our  
 veterans attending you are among friends*

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## Sundays Sermons

### THE MOABITE & SHADOWS

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“So the last shall be first, and  
 the first last: for many be  
 called, but few chosen.”

Matthew 20:16

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**The Gospel of Christ TV  
 Program is on WGN @  
 5:30am Sunday mornings**

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Attendance last week  
 Building, 20  
 Online via Zoom, 6  
 Total, 26

# Weekly Bulletin of the College Avenue church of Christ



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## Oct 18, 2020

### Times of Services

Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:00 am  
 Evening Worship.....6:00 pm  
 Wednesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 659 336 9317 Password: 121643

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 to a 21<sup>st</sup> Century World

## KING JESUS, RIGHTFUL RULER OF ALL

by George McNulty

In the first century of our calendar (the eighth century in the Roman calendar), something remarkable happened. In the desert Province of Judea, a baby was born to a peasant couple in an obscure village. This child, regardless of his poor and humble beginnings, was of royal lineage found in Matthew 1:2-16 and Luke 3:23-3. He was the direct descendant of King David, ruler of the United Kingdom of Israel.

During the lifetime of Christ on earth, the means of establishing a legal entitlement to the throne was available to all. This is significant because, after the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple in AD 70, there would be no legal way of establishing a rightful heir to the throne. Jesus thus had the last and only legitimate claim to the title of King. His royal lineage through Joseph, his legal father, could be traced to King David through King Solomon, and through his mother, Mary, His line went through David's son, Prince Nathan. No matter which way you trace it, Jesus was the rightful heir to the throne and not the Roman puppet, king Herod or his family.

God choose how his people are to be governed. He revealed His ways in His Word and we obey...it's that simple. In John 14:15, our glorious Lord said, "*If ye love me, keep my commandments.*"

But, do we? Some claim they obey Him, but follow their own way, even while saying they serve Him. Remember -- the mob that called for Christ's death were religious, yet look at what they did! When our Lord stood before them, that angry mob yelled, "*We have no king but Caesar*" (John

19:15). Jesus witnessed nothing less than a cry of treason. They committed the sin of their forbearers when God's anointed ruler was rejected in favor of the people's popular choice: "*They have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew it not*" (Hosea 8:4). They rejected their natural sovereign for a heathen brute.

The prophet Isaiah tells us who is in control: "*The government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*" The Lord Jesus Christ himself tells us that, "*All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth*" (Matthew 28:18).

God chose the method of government for His kingdom. He could have chosen a republic like Rome, with a senate of advisors for the emperor. He could have chosen a democracy like Athens. But, He chose an absolute monarchy. Preachers, elders, deacons and the rest of the flock have one duty -- to be totally loyal to the King of Kings. Let us serve Him with honor and joy.

The simple truth is this: the Lion of Judah defeated the Eagle of Rome. The King of the Jews was and is the reigning King of Israel. He is the King of his church, the kingdom on earth. He is the righteous branch of David. No one can succeed him to the throne! His will must be done!! Matthew 6:10

The great beauty of our most Holy God is the everlasting and sacrificial love He showed towards us. Jesus is the best King we can ever have and He deserves our loving service. Earthly rulers come and go but Christ remains the same, "*yesterday, today and tomorrow*" (Hebrews 13:8). It is a wonderful comfort to all who love Him and know that Jesus is ruler of all!