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In 1968 America was embroiled in civil unrest. Between the war in Vietnam and the Civil Rights Movement, enough conflict surfaced to cause demonstrations and even riots. If I could offer a snapshot of crucial events unfolding in 1968, they might look like this:

- In April, the voice for the Civil Rights movement was silenced as Martin Luther King, Jr. was murdered while standing on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tennessee. Riots broke out across the country.
- Later in April, Congress enacted the Civil Rights Act preventing discrimination to anyone because of race. Businesses, schools, restaurants and political organizations were no longer allowed to refuse service based on the color of skin.
- During the 200 meter medal ceremony at the Mexico City Olympic Games in October, John Carlos and Tommie Smith bowed their heads and raised black gloved fists in demonstration to the inequality in America.
- On July 31, without any fanfare or a press-release, Charles Schulz, introduced the world to the newest Peanut Gang member, Franklin, an African-American boy whose father was fighting in Vietnam. He was befriended by Charlie Brown.

Franklin became a re-occurring character, often seen with Peppermint Patty, and he might have been the only one who lacked a personality defect (although some might add Rerun to the list). Outside of Snoopy, I've always thought Franklin was the coolest of the kids.

Schultz made room for Franklin because Harriet Glickman, a retired school teacher from LA, wrote to him, encouraging him to create a character from the African-American community. As a parent of three, and in the wake of King's death, she had great concern over the "misunderstanding, fear, hate and violence" with race as seen in society.

Cautiously, Schultz thought through the ramifications of adding such a character to his gang. But after further discussions with varied peoples, he decided to bring Franklin into the fold, believing the good (reaching racial unity and helping provide a positive role model) outweighed the bad (alienating readers and papers boycotting Peanuts). Such fear was real, as Schultz's editors fought hard to stop him. But he fought harder. With Peanuts as the most popular comic strip in the nation, Schultz dug his heels in and threatened to walk away from penning any more strips. Such a move shouldn't surprise us since he fought just as hard for Linus' now famous soliloquy in the famous holiday special, *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, a couple of years earlier.

Through the years complaints emerged because Franklin held such a peripheral role in the strip. Maybe the criticism is valid. Then again, how do you exploit a personality without defect? More so, without Franklin, Lt. Jackson Flap may not have appeared in *Beetle Bailey* two years later. Without Franklin, the inter-racial friendship of Jason and Marcus might never have developed in *FoxTrot*. Certainly, without Franklin, later strips like *Curtis*, and *Herb & Jamaal* (and a plethora of other strips) never would have found expression had Schulz been unwilling to sacrifice his future for justice. churches too

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Prayers For Sunshine Family.

Roger Cooper Please remember him in your prayers as he recuperates at home.

Lia & Addilynn Coriell

They are doing very well. They are continuing with therapy at home . Please continue prayers for them and their family.

Jean Ferrell Recently found to have a blood clot in the jugular vein by her heart. She is hospitalized at this time planning for surgery to remove it. Please pray for her.

Nola Kelley Please remember Nola and her family at this time as they mourn the passing of her son Tim.

Teresa Moonyham Requesting prayer as she prepares for surgery in June.

Janine Morris Please pray for her as she recovers from surgery and complete healing. She is being treated for multiple myeloma.

Melissa Rase . Please continue prayers as she receives treatment allowing her to recover at home.

We have many who are dealing with very difficult situations at this time. Please lift them up to The Father for help.

<u>Judi Allison</u>	Elbrooke Room#535
<u>Esther & Gene Crisp</u>	Riverbend Room#123
<u>Sarah Gilliland</u>	Hillview Room#213
<u>Helen Hayward</u>	Homebound
<u>Ruth Morris</u>	Best Care Room#10

Prayer Requests

Derek Brothers Please pray for his safety, also for Taylor and Lilly while he is away.

Pat Carr(Jamie Forbes Mom) Please continue prayers for her and her family.

Andy Dettwiller(Friend of Dale Kuhn) He is battling cancer. Please pray for him..



Sunday Morning Worship

07/26-7/31 Church Camp

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>
<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>



Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You may simply pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

Elders Meeting Together

Sunday June 14 & 28

Prayer Session: Thursday June 25



Good Morning Sunshine! WELCOME!

We invite you to please join us for on-line services.

Sunday Morning @ 10 AM

Sunday Eve. Class @ 6:30 PM

Wednesday Eve. Class @ 7:30 PM

If you'd like to follow along during the service, today's lesson comes from:

Sunday AM Luke 22:39-53

Sunday PM Luke 22:54-62

Wednesday Eve. Daniel 6

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**We extend our deepest sympathy to the Family & Friends of Tim Kelley. Our prayers are for you all to feel God's love, peace & comfort.**  
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Church Camp 2020

Howell's Mill Christian Assembly

In Ona, W Va. (Huntington)

Sunshine's week is July 26-July 31

Register online@:www.howellsmill.org

Please see Shaun or Lisa for more information.
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### Mid-Western Children's Home

is looking for active Church of Christ members that are interested in serving as "House Parents". If you would like more information about this ministry, please call 513-877-2141 or reach out to [barry.boverie@mid-western.org](mailto:barry.boverie@mid-western.org)  
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You are invited!

Kendall's Graduation Party
Open House @ The Riley's
June 27 from 5:00-8:00
Please bring a lawn chair!

Sunshine Church of Christ Covid-19 Update

We will have one service Sunday 10:00am.

Please plan to arrive between 9:45 and 10:00am
Seating will be properly spaced to conform with recommended social distancing guidelines.

Please plan to sit with your family.

Only the foyer, auditorium and back hallway will be accessible.

Hand Sanitizer and disinfecting wipes will be available.

All song books, Bibles and other commonly used items will be stored until a later date.

Please pick up the single serving communion supplies as you come in and dispose in the trash on your way out.

There will be no classes.

At the end of worship, we will be dismissed by row.

Please confine fellowship with one another to the parking lot while maintaining proper distancing. Although we have missed each other immensely, please abstain from physical contact with others. Instead use a kind word and a smile.

We will meet in person on Sunday mornings thru June 28 and continue our online Bible studies Sunday night and Wednesday night.

No other use of the church building will be permitted until further notice.

We will continue to update the congregation as we transition back to normal. We look forward to the day when all restrictions are lifted, and we may worship the way we all love and long for!

The Sunshine Elders

Family Bible Time

Week 76 Text:

June 7	Lesson 359	Romans 11-12
June 10	Lesson 360	Romans 13-14

Week 77 Text:

June 14	Lesson 361	Romans 15-16
June 17	Lesson 362	Acts 20

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	06/07/2020	06/14/2020	06/21/2020
Welcome	Jon Coriell	Wayne Gamp	Shaun McCray
Midservice Prayer	Caleb Miller	Jon Coriell	Jason Foster
Communion	Shawn Gragg	Dale Kuhn	Aaron Kallner
Reading	Eric Miller	Steve Williams	David Deacon
Closing Prayer	Shane Mougey	Jason Coriell	Eric Meredith
Sun. Evening	06/07/2020	06/14/2020	06/21/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Reading			
Communion			
Assist			
Prayer			
Wed. Evening	06/10/2020	06/17/2020	06/24/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Prayer			



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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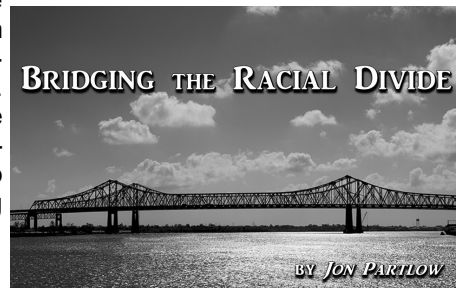
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REFOCUSING ON JESUS

Over fifty years have passed since Franklin was introduced to the Peanuts Gang, and it seems that for every three steps forward to achieving racial harmony in America, we've taken two steps backward, if not more. The divide continues to be felt in our churches too.

Segregated churches are still the norm, even though the rationale for segregation is both antiquated and unbiblical (Eph. 4:3-4). In my experience, I've heard too many insulting and demeaning comments about people of color, whether they are Christians or not, from white Christians. The White Community remains clueless to the pain, hurt, and injustice felt by the Community of Color (white people have never feared walking down a street and being accused of looking the "wrong way" at a woman, only to have the law behind the person stringing you up to be lynched; the scars of the black community are many, varied and still sensitive to the touch).

The Christian Community, whether black or white, must take the lead in building bridges in the racial divide, and taking the risk at bringing civil harmony where there is dissonance. While our stage may not be as large as Schulz when he introduced Franklin, we can still love our neighbor (Mk. 12:30-31). We can act neighborly to those around us (Lk. 10:29-37). We can rejoice and mourn with those rejoicing and mourning (Rom. 12:15). We can stop de-humanizing people (Gen. 1:26-27). We can participate in active reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:16-19). We can forgive as we've been forgiven (Mt. 6:14-15). Maybe then, we'll help bring healing to a hurting nation.



Have a wonderful day! :)