



May 17, 2026 | 8:40 AM

## Listening

<b>Welcome</b>	Giles Blankenship
<b>High School Graduate Processional</b> <i>Goodbye Yesterday</i>	Binion/Holiday/Wong
<b>High School Graduate Recognition</b>	Mark Ingram & Student Ministry Leadership
<b>Prayer for Graduates</b> <i>Good Plans</i>	Toni Clark Espy/Miller
<b>Prayer for the Offering</b>	Mr. Mike Pleasant
<b>Song for the Offering</b> <i>I Know a Name</i>	Lake/Bentley/Sooter/Furtick
<b>Sermon &amp; Invitation</b>	Blake Bengé
<b><i>Holy Spirit   Listening</i></b>	
<b>Song of Response</b> <i>Rest On us</i>	Lake/Smith/Bashta/Jay/White/Brown
<b>Recognition of Decisions</b>	Blake Bengé
<b>Graduate Recessional</b>	
<b>College Graduate Recognition</b>	Susie Reeder
<b>Next Steps and Benediction</b>	Susie Reeder
<b>Postlude</b>	

**Many of our High School Graduates are recipients  
of the following Snyder Scholarships:**

Armstrong/Riddle Scholarship

Clara Crocker Scholarship

Murray & Nancy Duggins Scholarship

Stephen & Lee Horne Scholarship

Widman Scholarship

Snyder General Scholarship

# NEXT STEPS

## COMMUNITY

**Sundays, 9:45am:** Find a Sunday School Group that's right for you! Everyone is invited, and no sign-up is required. For a list of Sunday School groups, visit the Welcome Desk or go to [snydermbc.com/sundayschool](http://snydermbc.com/sundayschool).

## DISCOVERY CLASS

**May 17, 10am, Meeting Room (D1109):** Whether this is your first time or you've been coming for a while, we'd love to tell you more about Snyder and how you can get involved! Discovery class is an opportunity to hear about Snyder's mission, history, and values in an informational and interactive setting.

## EVENTS

**Vacation Bible School:** This summer we're going on an Epic Journey to Discover God's Kingdom! Sign up to volunteer or register your child by visiting [snydermbc.com/vbs](http://snydermbc.com/vbs).

**My Spiritual Gifts,** led by Tim Jackson will be offered on Wednesdays, May 20, 27 & June 3 at 6pm in the Chapel. Come and learn how to discover your spiritual gifts!

**Updates to The Bell:** Beginning June 14, the printed version of our newsletter, *The Bell*, will be mailed only to those who sign up to receive it. If you would like to continue receiving a printed copy by mail, please complete the online form at [snydermbc.com/mail](http://snydermbc.com/mail) or call the Church Office at (910) 484-3191 to confirm your mailing address. You may also chose to receive *The Bell* by email only (using the same form) or by contacting the Church Office. Please respond by June 7 to let us know your preference.

## The Holy Spirit | Listening

When we want to hear someone, we will position ourselves in such a way to listen to what they are saying. We will move closer to them, we will look attentively in their face, and we will shut out/off distractions. As time goes on, we learn their personality expressed in their mannerisms and sense of humor. The voice we long to hear is the Holy Spirit, and in order to hear Him, our hearts have to be aligned with His heart.

Followers of Jesus, like sheep with a shepherd, will:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Him. (John 10:14)
- \_\_\_\_\_ to His voice. (John 10:16)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Him. (John 10:27)

### The Posture of a Hearing Heart.

or

*Being positioned to hear God.*

1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ the direction and correction of God.

- Matthew 6:10
- Psalm 139:23-24
- Psalm 19:14, bonus ... Psalm 19:1-3

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2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ the people of God.

- In worship (Hebrews 10:24-25)
- In prayer (Matthew 18:19-20)
- In friendship (I Thessalonians 5:11)
- In serving (Philippians 4:3)

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3. Be \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God. (Hebrews 4:12)

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4. Be \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God. (James 1:22)

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5. Be \_\_\_\_\_ filled with the Spirit of God. (Ephesians 5:18)

- Crave Him (Psalm 42:1)
- Confess the works of the Flesh (Psalm 51)
- Request to be filled (Ephesians 3:14-19; 5:18b)
- Believe / Behave (James 1:22-25)

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### Checks That Keep Us Grounded and Deception-Free

The Spirit's speaking and leading will always be in line with three things, and often with a fourth.

✓ In line with the Word of God

The Spirit of God will never go against the word of God.

✓ In line with the attitude of Jesus

The Spirit of God will never lead us to do something contrary to the Spirit of Jesus as revealed in the scriptures, especially Galatians 5:22-23.

✓ In line with the purpose of the Spirit

The saints will be equipped, and the body of Jesus built up. (Ephesians 4:12)

✓ In line with the wisdom of Godly and Christ-like people (Proverbs 20:18)

### Closing Questions

John 10:27

- 1) Do you hear His voice?
- 2) Do you know Him?
- 3) What is your heart posture?
- 4) Are you following Him? Where is He leading you?

# WAYS TO GIVE

## Online

Visit [snydermbc.com/giving](https://snydermbc.com/giving) or scan the QR Code.



## Cash or Check

1. Place cash or check in the offering plate as it passes.
  2. Mail a check or drop it off at the Church Office.
  3. Set up an automated Bank Draft.  
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8:40am, Modern Service, Fellowship Hall

9:45am, Sunday School for all ages

11am, Traditional Service, Fellowship Hall

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