

Issues / Programs List
THIRD QUARTER, 2023

Quarterly Issues/Programs List for Station – WCTS-AM
July 1 – September 30, 2023
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Section I. Issues.

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. **Family & Marriage**: Marriages and families are breaking down because of societal pressures, and weak commitment. This affects, not only people's personal lives, but affects the whole community, and even government. Husbands and wives must renew their commitment to one another, and strengthen their marriages. WCTS can help by presenting Bible teaching and features which tend to strengthen marriages.
- B. **Government / Citizenship**: Christians in particular need to be aware of the issues from a biblical perspective, and vote in a way that is consistent with our faith and morals. While WCTS does not endorse any particular candidate or political party, we do want to encourage Christian citizenship, including informed participation in our representative democracy.
- C. **Education**: Education is a big issue in our community because of its potential for good. But there is a perception among some WCTS listeners that public education tends to undermine our faith and our families. WCTS wants to inform parents about all education options, so that they can do what they believe strengthens their homes and helps to inculcate faith into their children.
- D. **Cultures**: We are surrounded by cultures that view the world differently than we do. Minnesotans need to be aware of these cultural differences, sensitive to them, and able to interact with them on various levels.
- E. **Evangelism and Personal Growth**: Everyone needs to be converted and grow spiritually. WCTS provides a number of programs to promote spiritual growth, since this is our primary mission.

Section II. Responsive Programs.

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- *Program*: Revive Our Hearts

Date: all

Subject: Marriage and family

Time: 11:30 a.m., 11:00 p.m.

Length: 25 min.

Host, Nancy Leigh DeMoss, addresses women's issues, including marriage and family.

- *Program*: Wisconsin Family Minute

Date: all

Subject: Commentary on the family and family policy in Minnesota

Time: 9:20 a.m.

Length: 2:00 minutes

The Minnesota Family Minute from the Minnesota Family Council makes listeners aware of some current issues with respect to the family and state public policy, which affects families.

- *Program*: Life Issues

Date: all

Subject: Commentary on issues relating to abortion, adoption, and end of life ethics. All of these issues have a direct effect on the home.

Time: 6:00 a.m.

Length: 1:00

Host, Brad Mattes, addresses life issues, most of which are related to the health of the family, as well as the health of society at large.

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- *Program*: The Legal Alert
Date: Daily, Monday through Friday
Subject: "Christian legal rights"
Time: 8:05 AM, Monday through Friday
Length: 2 min.
Host, David Gibbs, teaches listeners to stand up for their constitutional rights as Christians.
- *Program*: Cal Thomas Commentary
Date: Daily, Monday through Saturday
Subject: "Current issues from a conservative Christian perspective"
Time: 7:32 AM and 5:07 PM
Length: 2 min.
Conservative commentator, Cal Thomas, addresses current issues from a conservative, Christian perspective.
- *Program*: News
Date: daily
Subject: current events
Time: various times, Monday through Sunday
Length: 2 min.
WCTS presents SRN network news.
- *Program*: American Radio Journal
Date: July 6
Subject: current events
Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm
Length: 30 min.
This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Preston Cooper** from the Foundation for Research on Equal Opportunity about the U.S. Supreme Court ruling striking down the Biden college loan "forgiveness" program; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the failure of "Bidenomics"; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explains why the Biden student loan program and the Paycheck Protection Program are not comparable; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on states cutting taxes.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal
Date: July 13
Subject: current events
Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm
Length: 30 min.
This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Patrick Horan** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about the new inflation numbers and Federal Reserve inflation-fighting policy; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on on-going congressional investigations; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine gets details of how state climate change policies impact gasoline prices from **Ben Lieberman** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why President Biden's "student loan forgiveness" program is a political scam.
- *Program:* American Radio Journal
Date: July 20
Subject: current events
Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm
Length: 30 min.
This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **George Beebe** from the Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft about the impact of Russia cancelling the Black Sea Grain Initiative; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the upcoming Republican Presidential debate; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at the Biden Administration record on the federal deficit; And, **Lowman Henry** has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the Left changing the rules.
- *Program:* American Radio Journal
Date: July 27
Subject: current events
Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm
Length: 30 min.
This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Keith Naughton** of Silent Majority Strategies about polling in the race for the 2024 Republican Presidential Nomination; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on why once again the federal budget will not be done on time; **Eric Boehm** and **Christian Britchgi** of *Reason* magazine profile a town with no zoning laws; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the proposed Global Corporate Minimum Tax.
- *Program:* American Radio Journal
Date: August 3

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Keith Hall** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about the downgrade of the federal government's bond rating; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the latest indictment of former President Donald Trump; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about the unintended consequences of the FDA's latest food labeling regulation; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why the Hunter Biden scandal should not be overlooked.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal

Date: August 10

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Sean Higgins** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about a federal rule change in calculating Prevailing Wage; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the rising inflation rate; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine previews a new podcast series on Why We Can't Have Nice Things; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the father of the hydrogen bomb.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal

Date: August 17

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Keith Williams** from the Center for Independent Employees about a labor union alliance with the far-Left; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on why Congress should return to session now; **Eric Boehm** and **Emma Camp** from *Reason* magazine report on millions of students missing from schools; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why the federal government should look to the states for sound fiscal policy.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal

Date: August 24

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Daren Bakst** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about federal over-spending on Green New Deal policies; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on state-by-state U.S. Senate races; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine reports on China's growing economic problems; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Donald Trump's right to a well-prepared defense.

- *Program*: American Radio Journal

Date: August 31

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Jonathan Butcher** of the Heritage Foundation about GOP calls to abolish the U.S. Department of Education; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the federal budget battle; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about Nikki Haley and the federal debt; And, **Dr. Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Donald Trump and the 2024 General Election.

- *Program*: American Radio Journal

Date: September 7

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Sean Higgins** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the latest unemployment/employment numbers; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the budget battle brewing in Washington; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine gets details on how the downgrade in the U.S. credit rating may affect green energy subsidies from **Philip Rossetti** of the R Street Institute; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on people moving from high tax to low tax states.

- *Program*: American Radio Journal

Date: September 14

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Neil Chilson** from the Center for Growth and Opportunity at Utah State University about congressional efforts to regulate the artificial intelligence industry; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Biden impeachment inquiry; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine

looks at the impact of protectionist policies in the steel industry; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why we should always remember the events of September 11, 2001.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal

Date: September 21

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Sean Higgins** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the impact of the United Auto Workers strike; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on this week's budget drama in Washington, D.C.; **Eric Boehm** from *Reason* magazine discusses transparency in public sector labor union negotiations with **Kevin Kane** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the impact of the Abraham Accords.

- *Program:* American Radio Journal

Date: September 28

Subject: current events

Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Merrill Matthews** from the Institute for Policy Innovation about the unreliability of alternative fuels; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on how the candidates performed in the second Republican Presidential debate; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses President Joe Biden and the decline of unionized manufacturing; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council details how ideologically-based investing is harming public employee pension funds.

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- *Program:* Answers with Ken Ham

Date: Daily, M-F

Subject: "Creation"

Time: 7:40 a.m., 5:17 p.m.

Length: 1:00 min.

Ken Ham relates Creation and Evolution issues to Education, as well as to social and religious issues.

- *Program:* Back To Genesis

Date: Daily, M-F

Subject: Creation

Time: 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm.

Length: 1:00

John Morris, director of the Institute for Creation Research, explores creation-related subjects and educates listeners in a Bible-centered creation world-view.

- *Program:* Science, Scripture and Salvation

Date: Daily, Saturdays at noon, Sundays 9:00 pm

Subject: Science

Time: Saturdays at noon; Sundays at 9:00 pm

Length: 15 min.

Scientists from the Institute for Creation Research present amazing scientific facts and proofs for Creation.

D. **Cultures:** We are surrounded by cultures that view the world differently than we do. Minnesotans need to be aware of these cultural differences, sensitive to them, and able to interact with them on various levels.

- *Program:* "Stories Of Great Christians"
Date: daily, Monday through Friday
Subject: stories of men and women from various cultures who stood for Christ
Time: 11:00 AM and 8:30 PM
Length: 28:00 min.
These biographical stories focus on the lives of Christian men and women throughout the ages in various cultures and various parts of the world.
- *Program:* Lamplighter Radio Theater
Date: Saturday and Sunday
Subject: Stories from various cultures about Christian living.
Time: 9:30 pm Saturday, 8:30 pm Sunday.
Length: 30:00 min.
This is a weekly drama program, drawn from various cultures and periods in history.
- *Program:* "Voice of the Martyrs"
Date: Weekdays, 11:00am and 3:45pm (1:00 min.); Weekends, 4:00pm (24 min.)
Subject: Stories of persecuted Christians in various parts of the world.
Time: (see above)
Length: 1:00 min., and 24 min.
VOM Radio is a weekly national program focusing exclusively on the testimonies of our persecuted family and on building fellowship between the Body of Christ in the United States and His Body in hostile and restricted nations. VOM Radio is the only program of its kind. Each week, host Todd Nettleton shares testimonies from brothers and sisters willing to suffer persecution rather than deny their faith in Christ.

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- *Program:* Central Chapel
Date: Daily, M-F
Subject: Spiritual growth
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Length: 28:00 min.
Various preachers challenge the student body of Central Seminary to grow spiritually.
- *Program:* Friendship With God
Date: Daily, M-F
Subject: Evangelism and spiritual growth
Time: 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.
Length: 28:00 min.
Pastor Tom Cantor speaks from the Old Testament and brings out New Testament truth.
- *Program:* Unshackled
Date: Mondays and Saturdays weekly
Subject: Personal stories of conversion to Christ
Time:
Length: 28:00 min.
Stories of personal conversions to Christ told in the first person.
- *Program:* Thru The Bible
Date: daily, Monday through Friday
Subject: Bible teaching
Time: 12 noon
Length: 26:00 min.
Bible teacher, J. Vernon McGee, teaches verse by verse through the whole Bible in five years.
- *Program:* Turning Point
Date: Daily, M-F
Subject: Bible Exposition
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Length: 27 min.

Host, David Jeremiah, teaches the Bible, and teaches people how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.

- Program: Grace To You
Date: Daily
Subject: Bible Exposition
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Length: 26:00 minutes
Host, John MacArthur, teaches the Bible and teaches people to grow spiritually through biblical truth.
- Program: Truth For Life
Date: Daily, M-F
Subject: Bible Exposition
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Length: 27 min.
Host, Alistair Begg, teaches the Bible, and teaches people how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.
- Program: Revive Our Hearts
Date: Daily, M-F
Subject: Bible Exposition
Time: 11:30 am, 11:00 p.m.
Length: 27 min.
Host, Nancy Leigh DeMoss, teaches the Bible, and teaches women how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.