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**SERVICES**

Sunday Bible Study 9:45am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm  
Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

**WEB PAGE**

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**MISSIONS**

-Dustin Bolks  
Sioux Center, Ia.  
-Dahn Ramkelawan  
Suriname, So. America  
-Michael Mayo  
Thailand, SE Asia  
-*"In Search of the Lord's  
Way"* TV broadcast  
-Stephane Maillet  
SEIBS student  
-Brandon Foresha  
WVSOP student

**SEARCH TV**

Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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...**RENDER THEREFORE  
UNTO CAESAR  
THE THINGS WHICH  
ARE CAESAR'S;  
AND UNTO GOD  
THE THINGS  
THAT ARE  
GOD'S.**



**MATTHEW 22:21**

**We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail:**  
an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles"  
by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the  
20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

## Whose Image?

In their attempt to trap Jesus, the Pharisees and the Herodians asked whether it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar (Matt. 22:15-17). Jesus asked for a denarius, a coin which displayed Tiberius' image with the blasphemous inscription, "Tiberius Caesar, son of the divine Augustus" (Matt. 22:19). The reverse side of this coin read, "pontifex maximus" meaning "The most high priest." After asking whose picture is on it, Jesus said, "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's" (Matt. 22:21). If they were going to use Caesar's money, then they should pay taxes, but Caesar is only a man, and man is made in the image of God (Gen. 1:26). Thus, all men have an obligation to God.

The Jews had a long, troubled history with other gods competing for the adoration that ought to belong to Jehovah alone. Isaiah wrote of the folly of a man cutting down a tree and using part of it to build a fire to serve his needs of warmth and cooking food then using the rest of the tree to carve an image, a god to which he bowed down and worshiped (Isa. 44:14-17). What was so appealing about idolatry? Idolatry gave religion without rules. Romans 1:28 shows the idolatry of the Gentiles world was due to the fact that "they did not like to retain God in their knowledge." The concept of the Holy God who holds men accountable makes men uneasy, so they form their own image and call it god (Rom. 1:21-25). Today many say they believe in "God" but what do they mean by "God"? Many believe in a god who would never punish anyone in hell, but just wants everybody to be happy. This is a god made in their own image. "God" as the Bible defines Him is both loving and just (Rom. 11:22). Far fewer believe in Him.

Man making images goes way back; it can be found in the first book of the Bible. Rachel stole images that were her father's gods (Gen. 31:19, 30). The Hebrew word for "images" is teraphim and refers to domestic gods who were the "guardians and givers of a comfortable life."<sup>1</sup> The reference to Tiberius on the denarius as being both "son of the divine Augustus" and "most high priest" continued a tradition that permeated the ancient world—regarding rulers as gods:

Kings were revered, in many cases not merely as priests, that is, as intercessors between man and god, but as themselves gods, able to bestow upon their subjects and worshippers those blessings which are commonly supposed to be beyond the reach of mortals, and are sought, if at all, only by prayer and sacrifice offered to superhuman and invisible beings. Thus kings are often expected to give rain and sunshine in due season, to make the crops grow, and so on.<sup>2</sup>

However, the Bible shows that rulers are not to take the place of God, but to be subject to His rules. While the earth and everything in it belongs to God (Psa. 24:1), even the king could not claim land that did not belong to him, as Ahab tried to do (Lev. 25:23; Num. 36:7; 1 Ki. 21:17-22). Israel rejected God and asked for a king in His place (1 Sam. 8). God knew of this rejection aforesaid, and ordered the king to keep a copy of God's law in order to follow Him (Deut. 17:18-20). We understand now under the New Covenant that while earthly rulers are to be obeyed if their requirements do not interfere with God's, when it comes to ungodly laws, we must obey God rather than men (Rom. 13:1-8; Acts 5:29).

Many in our nation want rulers that will give them everything to live comfortably in sin while silencing any reference to the true God who will punish sin (Rom. 1:32; 2:5-9). They are so fanatical about this that they will sacrifice anything to get their kind of rulers in power. These rulers are their gods who promise them abundance and freedom from restrictions. Will you stand up for the true God? Will you seek rulers who will honor His ways? Will you value the life of every human being as made in the image of God?

-Mark Day

<sup>1</sup>Wilhelm Gesenius. Hebrew and Chaldee Lexicon to the Old Testament Scriptures. Grand Rapids: Baker, 1979. p. 875.

<sup>2</sup>James G. Frazer. The Golden Bough. New York: Avenel, 1890. pp. 8-9.

# News & Notes



## Sermons This Week

**10:45 AM:** Mark Day "An Image Problem"

**6:00 PM:** Jerry Sturgill "Some Things For Which The Church Stands"

## Food Cabinet Needs

We are asking for very specific food donations for our food cabinet right now. This week we ask for canned salmon, canned tuna & canned chicken.

## Dates to Remember

**Oct 21**– elder/deacon/preacher meet-4:30p

**Oct 23**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex

**Oct 26**– October Ladies Luncheon -Texas Roadhouse- 12 p

**Oct 27**– Rolling Hills Ladies Day with Donna Faughn 8:30a– RSVP

**Oct 27**– Trunk O' Treat/ Chili Supper-6p

**Oct 30**– Prime-timers– 10a– annex

**Nov 3**– Main Street Ladies' Day, Pikeville, With Renita Archey– 9am

**Nov 4**– Daylight Savings Time starts– clocks back 1 hour at 2am

**Nov 4**– Bring A Friend Day & potluck

**Nov 12-14**– Rome gospel Meeting with Jerry Alderson– 7p nightly

**Dec 1**– Scott family pancake breakfast–8a

**Dec 8**– Ladies Holiday Party @ Kathy Hall's home– 6p

## Elder/Preacher/Deacon Meeting

Today at 4:30pm, the elders, preachers and deacons will meet in the annex large classroom.

## October Ladies Luncheon

Friday, all ladies are invited to the monthly luncheon at the Texas Roadhouse at 12pm. All ladies are encouraged to attend.

## Trunk O' Treats/ Chili Supper

This Saturday at 6pm in the annex parking lot, everyone is encouraged to participate in the decorating of your car trunk to hand out treats to our children in costume. In the annex, there will be a potluck chili dinner. Bring extra amounts of your best chili, sides or desserts and drinks to share in good Christian fellowship. Invite your friends.

## Member Information Form- new

Recently in attempting to locate members admitted to facilities or to find family members, we have found our records missing vital information. To better serve this end, we have revised our Member Information sheet. Please, pick one up on the foyer round table, fill it out and return it to the church office as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Gauging Our Faith

	10/14/18	Goal	10/15/17
<b>Bible Study</b>	87	110	103
<b>AM Worship</b>	134	160	144
<b>PM Worship</b>	65	110	83
<b>Mid Week</b>	90	110	94
<b>Contribution:</b>	\$5084.28	\$5900.00	\$6799.75

Have you contacted  
a shut-in lately?  
Why not today?



## ☞ Today's Servants ☞

### **WELCOME:**

**AM/PM:** J.C. Hughes

### **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Brad Morris

**PM:** Jeremiah Smith

### **FIRST PRAYER:**

**AM:** David Trimble

**PM:** Ben Poling

### **LORD'S TABLE:**

**Presiding AM:** Nathan Adkins

**Assisting:** Nathan Adkins,  
John Gambill, Ben Poling,  
Mark Gullett, Will Scott,  
Michael Perry, George Wallace

**Presiding PM:** Nathan Parks

**Assisting:** David Smith

### **CLOSING PRAYER:**

**AM:** Nathan Parks

**PM:** Daniel Goshorn

## ☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

**WELCOME:** Mark Parks

**SONG LEADER:** Steve Wallace

**PRAYER:** Jerry Sturgill

**DEVOTIONAL:** Brad Morris

## ☞ Weekly Servants ☞

**POWER POINT:** David Castle

**BLDG. ATTENDANT:** Jeremiah Smith

**ATTENDANCE:** Michael Perry

**COORDINATOR:** Brad Morris

## ★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Every Sunday ★★★  
**Pew Packers**

**at 5:45pm**  
**in front auditorium**  
geared to age 12 & younger,  
but everyone can come.  
-Boys: have a song  
ready to lead-

★★★ Oct 27 ★★★  
**Trunk O' Treats**

**6:00pm** -annex parking lot-  
-wear your costume for  
maximum treats, stay for chili !



## Welcome, Visitor!

**We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.**

If you are a first-time visitor with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you find on the back of the pew. Please, put it in the collection plate or hand it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with free tracts and literature. We offer free Bible correspondence courses you can receive by mail at no cost to you. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study. Thank you for attending.