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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

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

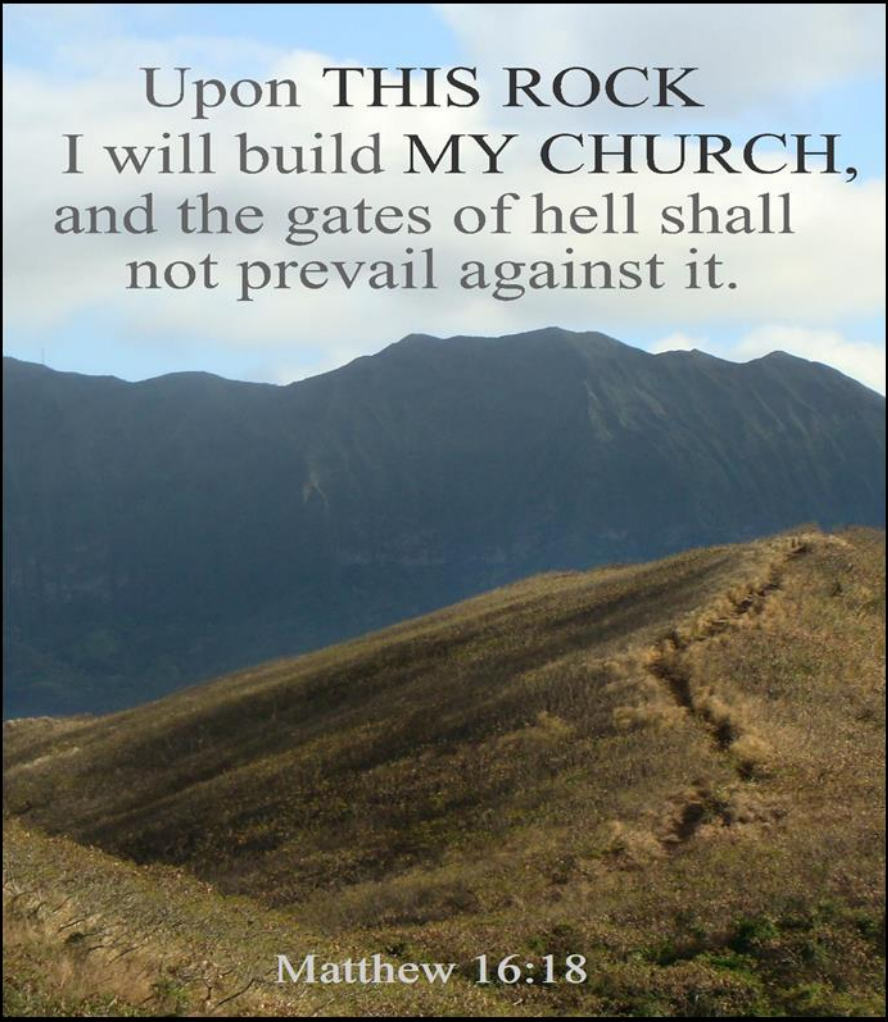
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Upon **THIS ROCK**
I will build **MY CHURCH**,
and the gates of hell shall
not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18

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!

God's Choice Church

The church is essential in God's eternal plan of redeeming man. God's wisdom is shown through the eternal plan He had for the establishment of Christ's church, "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God, According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Ephesians 3:10-11). Jesus came to the earth to fulfill this plan and promised to build His church (Matthew 16:18). Jesus functions as its foundation (1 Corinthians 3:11) and head (Colossians 1:18). The church was so essential that Christ shed His blood to purchase it (Acts 20:28). Jesus gave Himself, His very life, for the church (Ephesians 5:25). When He returns one day He will present her to His heavenly home as a husband who brings home His bride (Ephesians 5:27).

However, many have a concept that removes the church from being essential to salvation. A common teaching that has circulated throughout the religious world for years is the concept that one is saved and then joins the church of one's choice. In Acts 2, there were not multiple denominations with various beliefs and practices that served as options for those wanting to follow Christ. There was but one church: Christ's church. When men felt the guilt of their sins, they asked what to do (Acts 2:37). They were told to repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins (Acts 2:38). Those who gladly received this instruction were baptized and added by the Lord to the number (Acts 2:41); after all, the Lord adds the saved to the church (Acts 2:47). This one church "continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42). Multiple doctrines and fellowships were not a part of the Lord's plan; His plan was for His followers to be one, united in one body (John 17:20-21; Ephesians 4:3-6).

Today when many people think of a church, they think of a building or a denomination; however, the New Testament never alludes to the church in these ways. It speaks of the church being a body of people: men and women. When Saul persecuted the church, he was entering into houses and dragging of men and women to prison (Acts 8:1-4). To do this to Christ's saved body was tantamount to doing this to Christ Himself (Acts 9:4). First Corinthians 12 uses the illustration of a physical body to highlight the roles of individual members in the body of Christ. As the head controls the body, Christ rules over the church. God's eternal plan called for such and He fulfilled it in that He, "hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all" (Ephesians 1:22-23). God did not design different churches for the Jews and Gentiles, different though they were, but rather designated that reconciliation to Him would be found in the one body, the church of Christ (Ephesians 2:16).

Instead of pulling down the church from its essential place in God's plan of salvation to an optional matter to suit one's personal desires, the exalted and essential place of Christ's church as revealed in God's Word ought to be recognized. We are not here to "improve" upon God's plan for the church, but to recognize how His plan is superior to the mess men often create.

-Mark Day

News & Notes



Sermons This Week

10:45 AM: Jerry Sturgill- "Who Then Can Be Saved "

6:00 PM: Jerry Sturgill- "The Church at Thyatira "

Scripture Reading: Revelation 2:18-29

Condolences

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Jack Isaacs on his passing March 9th. J.C. Hughes conducted the memorial service on March 14th.

Dates to Remember

Mar 17- elders/deacons/preachers meet- 4:30p- annex large classroom

Mar 19- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Mar 23- Wallace/ Ward wedding- 5p

Mar 26- Prime-timers- 10a- annex

Mar 29- Ladies Luncheon- 12:30p- at Slim Chickens in Ashland

Mar 30- Girls' Day- Cedar Springs church, 6 grade & up, see Davonne Parks for info

Mar 31- VBS first meeting- annex- 12p

Mar 31- deadline for Potter donations

Apr 14- Potluck luncheon- 12p- annex

Apr 14-17- Our Gospel Meeting with Phil Sanders

Apr 18-21- Lads to Leaders, Louisville

Apr 20&27- annex floors refinished, no foot traffic allowed those 2 days

Apr 27- Ladies Day at Elm Grove church in Piketon, OH w/ Rosemary Anderson

Apr 27-May 1- Gospel Meeting at Elm Grove church w/ Foy Anderson (Piketon, OH)

Jul 22-26- Vacation Bible School

Aug 16-22- Polishing the Pulpit, Sevierville

Sep 13-15- Our Seminar with Eric Lyons- "Is the Bible Reliable?"

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

Elders/Deacons/Preacher Meeting

Today, this group will meet at 4:30pm in the annex large classroom.

Wallace/ Ward Wedding

On Saturday, March 23rd, everyone is invited to the wedding of Madi Wallace & Nelson Ward. Music starts at 5pm.

March Ladies Luncheon

On Friday, the 29th, all ladies are invited to attend a luncheon at Slim Chickens in Ashland (behind Cheddars) at 12:30p.m.

Prime-timers Group

This is an open discussion Bible study group meeting Tuesdays at 10a.m. in the annex large classroom. Mark Day leads the group. Everyone high school age and above is welcome to attend.

Potter Children's Home Donations

It is the annual commodities drive for the Potter Children's Home. They are requesting very specific items: Cheez It crackers, Flavor Ice popsicles, Fruit Loops, Instant oatmeal and kitchen garbage bags. There are small lists on the foyer board. The donation deadline is March 31. Donations can be placed under the sound room hallway coat rack. See J.C. Hughes for details.

Ladies Evening Bible Study Group

A new evening monthly ladies Bible Study began in March. The Participating Partners group will meet in the annex large classroom with the day/ date/ time to be determined. Please speak with Denise Smith with preferences, ideas and with suggestions for service projects.

Gauging Our Faith

| | <u>03/10/19</u> | <u>Goal</u> | <u>03/11/18</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Bible Study | 87 | 110 | 100 |
| AM Worship | 130 | 160 | 146 |
| PM Worship | 76 | 110 | 98 |
| Mid Week | 79 | 110 | 78 |
| Contribution: | \$5798.50 | \$6200.00 | \$6353.45 |

☞ Today's Servants ☞

WELCOME:

AM/PM: Steve Wallace

SONG LEADER:

AM: Brad Morris

PM: Brad Morris

FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Mark Parks

PM: Daniel Goshorn

LORD'S TABLE:

Presiding AM: Jordan Conley

Assisting: Daniel Goshorn,
George Wallace, Greg Conley,
Michael Perry, Jason Fouts,
Jesse Legg, Dan Stone

Presiding PM: Chris Scott

Assisting: Will Scott

CLOSING PRAYER:

AM: John Gambill

PM: Dan Stone

☞ Wednesday Servants ☞

WELCOME: Chris Scott

SONG LEADER: Jeremiah Smith

PRAYER: George Wallace

DEVOTIONAL: Daniel Goshorn

☞ Weekly Servants ☞

POWER POINT: Matt Vonderheide

BLDG. ATTENDANT: Steve Wallace

ATTENDANCE: Mitch Stafford

COORDINATOR: David Castle

★★★ Youth Notes ★★★

★★★ Every Sunday ★★★

Pew Packers

at 5:45 pm

in front auditorium

geared to age 12 & under,

but everyone can come

-Boys: have a song to lead-

★★★ April 14th ★★★

Bible Study & Singing

- 2pm at Morning Pointe

Assisted Care Facility

-Bring joy to those who need it!



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 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.