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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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#### SEARCH TV

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# FLATWOODS CHURCH OF CHRIST

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September 26, 2021 ... "The kingdom of God does not come with observation... For indeed, the kingdom ob God is within you. Luke 17:20-21

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!

## Are You the King?

Pilate asked Jesus, "Are You the King of the Jews?" (John 18:33). The way Jesus is king was alien to Pilate's concern over kingship; it was even alien to what the Jews who brought Jesus to Pilate had in their minds regarding a king. Thus, Jesus could not simply answer "yes" or "no" to this question, but instead asked, "Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?" (John 18:34).

The Jews thought of a king in the sense of the Davidic dynasty. David ruled in the golden years of Israel's history when their wealth was immense and their influence over the world stage was far-reaching. Since the deportation into Babylon, no one in the lineage of David had ruled as king over the Jews. Unlike today, there were still complete genealogical records in the days of Jesus where one's lineage could be traced back to David (cf. Matthew 1:1-17). However, the political landscape in Judea was different when Jesus was on earth than when His physical forefathers reigned. For centuries the Jews had been subjugated under foreign powers. Rome was ruling then. The reason Jesus was brought to Pilate was that capital punishment could only take place under Roman sanction. The Jews looked for a time when Messiah, the anointed king, also called Christ would come. Isaiah 9:6-7 is one of the scriptures that pointed toward this king. While Jesus fulfilled the prophecies of the Messiah, He did not fit the mold Judaism had constructed for their coming king. Of course, Pilate knew nothing of the Messiah. He asked Jesus, ""Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?" (John 18:35). Pilate wanted to know why Jesus had made these people so angry as to be dead set on crucifying Him.

Pilate's idea of a Jewish king would immediately be perceived as a threat to Caesar's authority. Pilate likely knew from history of uprisings by the Jewish people to overthrow their Gentile rulers. The Maccabean Revolt was one such time when some Jews engaged in guerrilla warfare tactics to rebel against the Seleucid empire and recapture Jerusalem. The Jews used this fear of uprising to ensure that Jesus would be crucified. Later when Pilate wanted to release Jesus, they said, "If you let this Man go, you are not Caesar's friend. Whoever makes himself a king speaks against Caesar" (John 19:12). Jesus, however, was not a rival king to Caesar in the sense of an earthly, military campaign. To Pilate He replied, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here" (John 18:36).

When Pilate asked Jesus again if He was a king Jesus showed the nature of His kingship, saying, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice" (John 18:37). God is king in the sense that He created all of us and is the rightful center of the universe. When people sin, however, they put themselves on the throne as the center of the universe. Many today act as if God should serve them, and if He doesn't they will find a new god. Jesus is God's Son. This truth was rejected by those who brought Him to be crucified. Nevertheless, He is king in the sense of the truth of the Gospel breaking through and reigning in the hearts of those who respond to Him in obedience. Thus, the kingdom of Jesus is not observable with the physical eye, but rather is in the hearts of those who believe and practice the truth (Luke 17:20-21). Does Jesus reign in your heart? Is He king of your life?

-Mark Day

## News & Notes



## **Sermons Today**

**10:45AM:** Lifted Up

**6:00PM:** Don't Profane the Lord's

Name

Scripture Reading: Jesse Legg Service Exodus 20:7

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

## Member Address Change

Jane Isaacs is moving on October 1. Her new address will be 2000 Argillite Rd., Lot #15, Flatwoods, KY 41139. The phone number will remain the same. Anyone who would like to help load items into a dumpster is invited to her old address the morning of Saturday, Oct. 2nd, to clear out the house. All help will be greatly appreciated, just speak with Jane.

## **2021 Dates to Remember:**

Oct 9- Singing/Potluck-Chris Scott's home-6p
Oct 17- elders/deacons/preachers meet-4:30p
Oct 17-21- our Gospel Meeting with Allen
Webster

Oct 29 – Ladies Luncheon-12:30p

Oct 31- Potluck- annex-noon

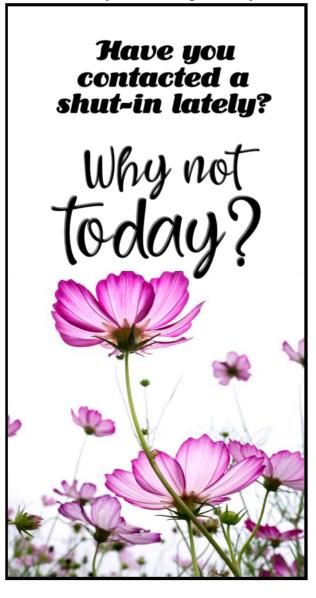
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**Psalm 46:10** Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

<b>Gauging Our Faith</b>			
	09/19/21	Goal	09/20/20
<b>Bible Study</b>	75	110	59
<b>AM Worship</b>	106	160	92
PM Worship	81	110	67
Mid Week	62	110	55
Contribution:	\$5074.00	\$6000.00	\$5150.00

## **The Scott's Singing Night**

Chris & Amanda Scott are inviting everyone to their home at 6pm on Saturday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, for an evening of singing and a potluck of side dishes and desserts. Meats will be provided. Please, sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend including the side dish or dessert you will bring. Thank you.



## ಉ Today's Servants ಆ

## WELCOME:

**AM/PM:** Mark Parks

## **SONG LEADER:**

**AM:** Brad Morris **PM:** Jeremiah Smith

## FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Steve Wallace PM: Greg Conley

## LORD'S TABLE\*:

**Presiding AM:** Jerry Sturgill **Assisting:** Greg Hall,

Jeremiah Smith, Jordan Conley

Presiding PM: Daniel Goshorn \*gluten-free bread

## Scripture Reading:

PM: Jesse Legg

## **CLOSING PRAYER:**

AM: Ranie Wohnhas
PM: David Morckel

## **Wednesday Servants G**

**WELCOME:** Mark Parks

**SONG LEADER:** Jeremiah Smith

**PRAYER**: JC Hughes **DEVOTION**: Greg Hall

## **™** Weekly Servants ∽

**POWER POINT:** Braydon Snell **LIVE STREAM:** Tanner Adkins

**BLDG. ATT.**: Greg Conley

**COORDINATOR:** Daniel Goshorn **ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## \*\*\* Youth Notes \*\*\*

# \*\*\* Sundays \*\*\* Pew Packers

5:45pm in front of the auditoriumgeared to age 12 & under, but everyone is welcome to attend

## \*\*\* Oct 9 \*\*\*

Singing/Potluck at the Scotts' home— 6p Sign-up on the foyer board. -Chris & Amanda are providing the meats, you bring sides and/or dessert



## 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 will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection box or give 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 also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an inhome Bible study. Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often.