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CHURCH *of* CHRIST



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship.....6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We of the Cambridge church of Christ
invite you to all our services.

"...the churches of Christ salute you" (Romans 16:16).

WHAT'S RIGHT ABOUT THE CHURCH?

3 John 2-4

INTRODUCTION:

1. The church is Christ's body on earth of which Christ is its Head (Eph. 1:21-23).
2. The church consists of only baptized believers; "called-out" ones; *ekklesia*.
3. The church was planned in eternity (Eph. 3:11) and is perfect in its design.
4. Our attitudes and words should always respect the honor, dignity and appreciation the church of our Lord deserves.
5. Knowing therefore, that the Bible is the infallible, complete word of God, if man follows the pattern for the church found therein, then man can know that the church is right!

I. THE FOUNDATION IS RIGHT.

- A. Everything must have a foundation suited for its intended use.
- B. Jesus built the church upon who He is—the Son of God (Mt. 16:13-19).
 1. The church has the right foundation—Christ (1 Cor. 3:11).
 2. Christ is the chief corner stone of the foundation (Eph. 2:20).
 3. And the foundation of Christ is rock-solid (Mt. 7:24f).

II. THE FAITH IS RIGHT.

- A. "The faith" refers to that singular body of teaching in the Bible; "doctrine".
- B. Some teach false doctrine.
- C. You and I must "*contend earnestly for the faith*" (Jude 3).
- D. Our faith, our doctrine must be Christ (Acts 8:35).

III. THE FELLOWSHIP IS RIGHT.

- A. Fellowship has to do with what is shared in (**Php. 1:3-6**).
- B. The early church spent time together as a family in Christ (Acts 2:42).
- C. Constantly encouraged regarding fellowship: Suffer - (1 Cor. 12:26), Rejoice (Rom. 12:15), Carry one another's burdens (Gal. 6:2), Restore one another (Gal. 6:1), Pray for one another (Rom. 15:30), Encourage one another (Rom. 1:12), Forgive one another (Eph. 4:32), Confess to each other (Jas. 5:16), Be truthful to one another (Eph. 4:25), Encourage one another to good works (Heb. 10:24), Give to each other (Php. 4:14-15).

IV. THE FOCUS IS RIGHT.

- A. Souls Are the Focus
 1. is infinitely valuable (Mt 16:26).
 2. therefore, the church's fixation should be souls (Mk. 16:15).
- B. Lost Souls Filled Christ with Compassion (**Mt. 9:35-36; 14:14; 15:32**).
- C. Such Compassion Provoked Christ to Action:
 1. Asked disciples to pray (**Mt. 9:38**)
 2. Jesus dispatched His disciples (**Mt. 10:1, 5-7**).
- D. The Right Church has compassion on lost souls and does something about it.

V. THE FUTURE IS RIGHT.

- A. Jesus is Coming for His Church (1 Cor. 15:24; 1 Thes. 4:16-17).
- B. Each day should be spent living for the One that died for us (2 Cor. 5:14-15).
- C. So living, Heaven can be our eternal home; yes, Heaven will surely be worth it all.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Our Father which is in Heaven; holy and reverend is your name:

Father, we believe that You are the true and living God, and that the universe and everything in it is the result of Your all-powerful Word.

Thank You for giving us life and for providing us with all of the necessary things by which our lives are sustained. Thank You for the health we've enjoyed and by Your will, allow it to continue and improve where needed.

Thank You, Father, for loving us and for Your mercy and grace that You would provide us a Way to be rescued from the clutches of Satan and from the enslavement to, and the guilt of our sins.

Thank You for the Christ, Jesus our Lord, for the shedding of His pure and innocent blood on the sin-stained cross whereupon He provided for us the opportunity of redemption, reconciliation, and the forgiveness of our sins.

Father, we pray for strength, that knowing what we must do, we will do it; and knowing what we must forsake, we will forsake it. Help us, dear Lord, in our devotion to You, that we will truly make You our God, and Your Son our Lord.

Help us to be serious students of Your word; help us to be active and vital members of the church of Your Son; Let us see as necessary the assembling of the saints at every opportunity; help us to be generous to the less fortunate and needy.

Father, give us the courage and sense of urgency we need to take Your Good News of Salvation and Peace to the mission fields of our families, friends and neighbors. Help us, dear Father, to see the souls of men and not just the bodies.

Father, we ask that our nation's leaders would truly turn to You for guidance and wisdom. Help us put the best people possible on seats of authority that Your will might be done. Help us to rescue the babes in the womb and dissolve the crisis at our boarder.

We implore You, Your Son, and Your Spirit to continue with us as we endeavor to serve You, and we long for the day when You call Your church Home. Forgive us, dear Lord, in the name of Jesus, Amen.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Jerry & Erma Endly, Cathy Jackson, Kim Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Kathy Mayo, Flavil Miller, and Russ Singleton.

SHUT-INS: Pat Behrendt, Audrey Burns, Jack Mitchell, Shirley Patterson and Marge Rothwell

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Nellie Bichard, Alec Blake (grandson of Wilma Roe), Weston Boulet, (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Larry Chips (friend of the Starrett's), Dan Doudna (Wilma Roe's relative), Bob & Patty Eddy, Tom Eddy (Betsy Cook's brother), Carmie Green (Flavil Miller's sister), Herb Hamilton (friend of the Starrett's), Bob & Donna Henthorn (Laura Jamiel's parents), Collene Keister, (Mo Smith's sister), Les McCollum (friend of Deb McGath), Erica Rich, Shirley Roe, Mona Stoffer (Flavil Miller's daughter), Mitch Vick, Bob & Marge Watson, Kedra Wyatt and remember to pray for one another.



We encourage our visitors to fill out one of the blue cards and place it in the collection plate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Pat Behrendt** got home this past Friday. She is under Hospice Homehealth Care.
- There are envelopes for the **Right to life** signature add on the table at the rear of the auditorium. The last day to donate is Sunday, January 19th.
- Please doublecheck the directory pages on the tanle at the rear of the auditorium as changes have been made and we are ready to print new ones for the congregation.

REMINDERS:

- ✓ **WORDWATCHER** will meet tomorrow.
- ✓ **Don't forget about our library**
- ✓ If there are any changes needed to the **Family and Friends** prayer list, please let John know- thank you.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: What's Right with the Church (3 John 2-4).

PM: A Sermon About Nothing (1 Timothy 6:3-5).

<i>Bible Class</i>	<i>Sun. AM</i>	<i>Sun. PM</i>	<i>Collection</i>	<i>Wed.</i>
<i>41</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>\$1928</i>	<i>27</i>