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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)

THY KINGDOM COME

INTRODUCTION:

1. The future kingdom theory along with the literal reign of Christ on earth for a literal thousand years has disturbed many people.
2. This theory says that at the second coming of Christ man's earthly state will not be terminated but that a new age will begin, during which time Christ will reign on earth in Jerusalem for a literal thousand years, over a world of people still living in the flesh.

DISCUSSION:

I. THE KINGDOM HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED!

- A. During the Days of the Roman kings (Dan. 2:44).
- B. Soon after the days of John the Baptizer (Mt. 3:1-2).
- C. Very soon after the earthly days of Christ (Mk. 1:15; Mt. 6:9-10; Mk. 9:1; Mt. 18:3; Lk. 10:9; 22:18).
- D. The Establishment of the Kingdom (Mk. 9:1; Lk. 24:49; Acts 2:1-4; Mt. 16:19; Col. 1:13; Heb. 12:28; Jn. 18:36).

II. CHRIST'S THRONE IS IN HEAVEN

- A. Prophecy of Zechariah Regarding the Throne (6:13; cf. Acts 2:30-35).
- B. The Prophecy of Zechariah Regarding the Priest (6:13; cf. Heb. 4:14; 8:4).

III. CHRIST IS ON DAVID'S THRONE.

- A. God's Promise (Lk. 1:32; cf. Acts 2:30-31).
- B. Zech. 6:13; cf. Acts 2:32-35).

IV. MISCELLANEOUS.

- A. The Last Days—Peter said it was the “last days” in Acts 2:16-17—Premillennialists deny this.
- B. 1 Corinthians 15:23-25.
- C. The Earth will be burned up (2 Pet. 3:10).
- D. Revelation 20:1-6

CONCLUSION:

1. The Kingdom of Christ has been established.
2. Christ's throne is in Heaven (not Jerusalem).
3. Christ is on David's throne.
4. We are now living in the last days (have been for 2,000 years).
5. Premillennialism idea of a future kingdom is false!
6. The kingdom and the church are one (Matt. 16:18-19).
7. Christ gave Peter and the other apostles the keys of the kingdom which they used in Acts 2.

BANNING GAY CONVERSION THERAPY?

Dale Parsley

Last week the Charleston [WV] City Council passed a bill that bans the practice of conversion therapy for kids regarding their sexual orientation and gender identity. Allegedly, clergy and counselors acting in a religious aspect are exempt. Any therapist not exempt will owe up to a \$1,000 fine.

Granted, this currently does not affect anyone living in outside of Charleston; yet there are still some questions to ask. For instance, will those who pushed for this law, attempt to make it statewide? How long will it be before Clergy and Churches are not exempt? For now, it's just children, will this eventually apply to adults too? Don't think for a moment that there is not a larger agenda in passing this law. The taking away of rights and freedoms are often done in a slow, calculated, step by step process. In regard to this, consider a few observations from Scripture:

1. Homosexuality is a sinful lifestyle one can turn away from. One of the biggest lies many are led to believe is that a person of this persuasion cannot change. The Scriptures declare otherwise. According to 1 Corinthians 6:9-11, sins such as adultery, fornication, drunkenness and homosexuality are lifestyles if gone unrepented, will cause one to not inherit the kingdom of God. However, Paul says in verse 11, "And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God." A little bit of research online demonstrates numerous individuals who have left the homosexual lifestyle. Organizations such as restoredhopenetwork.org and changedmovement.com are just two examples of those who have repented of homosexuality on account of their faith.

2. Gay conversion therapy does not force one to change. Rather, it helps one who wants to change. Obedience is a choice that comes from the heart (Romans 6:17). Thus, if a child or an adult does not want to change, it will not happen.

3. Parents are responsible to raise their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:4). If parents have the authority to tell their children what to wear, how to clean their room, not to use profanity, make good grades, etc., why can't they also have the authority to help their child if he or she struggles with their gender identity or same sex attraction? This new law is ultimately an attack on parental rights, religious freedoms and God's Word.

4. When the laws of men conflict with the laws of God, a Christian's obligation is to obey God rather than man (Acts 5:29).

Regardless of who it is or what they do, may we continue to pray for those who are in office, "that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence" (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Jerry & Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Angela Herald, Cathy Jackson, Bruce Johnson, Gary & Debbie Jones, Rick Lambert, and Carol Mitchell.

SHUT-INS:
Nancy Love

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: **Nellie Bichard, Weston Boulet** (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), **Carter Campbell** (John and Mary Smith's grandson), **Colleen Kiester** (Mo Smith's sister), **Linda Potts** (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), **Addy Reed, Holly Ross** (Friend of Betsy Cooke), **Mona Stoffer** (Flavil Miller's daughter), **Bob & Marge Watson**, and remember to pray for **one another**.

Welcome! To our visitors, we are thankful for your presences. Please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the collection plates or leave it on the seat. Allow us to answer any questions you may have.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- *Our sympathy goes out the family of **Paul Warehime** who passed away on Thursday. Viewing is today from 2 until 5. Services are tomorrow at 11 at Black-Epperson.*
- **Debra Bates-Phillabaum** is in *Cambridge Care and Rehabilitation*.
- **Rick Lambert's** surgery went as expected and he is recovering.
- **Donna Henthorn** is now in a rehabilitation center in Columbus.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Remember to submit any questions or topics you would like addressed from the pulpit.
- ❖ Let John know of any changes to our *Friends and Family* prayer list.

TODAY'S LESSONS

AM: Thy Kingdom Come (Daniel 2:44).

PM: The Problem of Biblical Illiteracy (Hosea 4:6).

Bible Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wednesday	Contribution
36	65	38	26	\$2514