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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

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

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

Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

IS “GENDER” STILL A THING?

In 1971, Lester Flatt and The Nashville Grass released a song titled, “I Can’t Tell the Boys From the Girls”. It’s a ballad about a country bachelor who decided it was time to get married so he goes to the big city to find a wife. His rural character was not quite ready for the culture shock of seeing men and women with “long hair and bouncy curls”, and so it became quite a frustrating process for him and made an amusing song for (most of) us.

Fast-forward fifty-one years and the situation has not gotten any clearer. Most of us grew up in a time when gender was not really a matter to be debated. I’m not talking about gender equality and women’s suffrage, I’m talking about gender—g-e-n-d-e-r—male or female; boy or girl, man or woman. There is a small, but growing, number of people in the world who now question biological differences between the two genders. “Oh, wait a minute”, someone will protest, “you mean there are only two”? Absolutely!

It gets confusing when the same people laud the first female this, or the first woman that, and then in the next breath debate the fairness of a man claiming to be a woman competing against real women. The duplicity is astonishing!

Recently a nominee for the United States Supreme Court was asked if she could “provide a definition for the word, ‘woman’”. She stated she could not provide such a definition citing that she was, “not a biologist”. She admitted more than she likely cared to with that response because in so doing she acknowledged that gender is a *biological issue* and not merely a matter of personal preference.

Bible believers knew this all along. Moses, by inspiration, wrote, “*So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and*

female created he them” (Genesis 1:27 emp. added). No third gender! No fluid genders! Man did not determine his gender, God did!

Paul similarly acknowledged the “two-gender-theory” when he wrote, “*Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband*” (1 Corinthians 7:2). This inspired Scripture recognizes but two genders—man and woman—and says that a man is to marry a woman, not another man, and vice-versa.

Aside from the political fallout and financial concerns (gender reassignment surgery and who must foot the bill) to be considered, this is a matter of deep importance for the Christian, for society, and for the future. Our kids are going to be dramatically harmed and confused by this dangerous notion of gender-swapping, gender denial, and gender fluidity. It has eternal consequences! Since time began, man has sought to revise and improve God’s plan and man has failed every time!

Jeroboam changed nearly everything about God’s command for Israel’s worship and we see where that led (1 Kings 12:25ff). Now hear comes man once again unsatisfied with God’s laws of nature and since the first generation of *everyone-gets-a-trophy* is now grown up and are running for office, “things have got to change”! But God said in the long ago, “*For I am the LORD, I change not*” (Malachi 3:6); and neither do His laws, and neither do genders.

It’s a lamentable thing that articles like this need to be written, but we must address these and other issues which threaten the Christian worldview. Teach your children and grandchildren the Bible truth about gender. My beloved, we need to wake up, and not be “woke”—*JK*.

While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease (Genesis 8:22).

Wzlcomez! To our visitors. We are thankful for your presence. 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:

- There will be a pot-luck dinner here on **April 24** following morning services, to kick off our Gospel Meeting with **Andy Robison**. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

- Please take a moment in the next few weeks to verify your information in our church directory. Make any changes, additions, or corrections needed. If your info is correct, please put a checkmark by your name. Thanks—JK.

- Also, if anyone would like to update their picture on the back board, please see **Brenda Warne**.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Remember to take advantage of our library in the basement.
- ❖ Please inform John of any changes needed to the prayer list, or directory.

TODAY’S LESSONS

AM: These Are Your Gods (Exodus 32:1-6).

PM: The Body of A Servant (Colossians 3:22-25).

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cooke, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Angela Herald, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Tina Keith, and Rick Lambert.

SHUT-INS:
Debbie Jones, Nancy Love, and Randy Yost

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Debra Bates-Phillabaum, Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Diane James (Raymond and Fawn Wayble’s daughter), Trudy Kerby, Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith’s sister), Janet Patterson, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett’s sister-in-law), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham’s father), John Rockhold, Wilma Roe, Bob & Marge Watson, Ukraine and remember to pray for one another.

AM Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed.	Contribution (Budget)
37	66	35	22	\$2059 (\$2420)