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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.....6:00 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)

THE GLORIOUS CHURCH OF THE GLORIOUS CHRIST.

Eph. 5:22-30

INTRODUCTION:

1. Church is to give glory unto God (Eph. 3:21).
2. It was prophesied a glorious institution! (Isa. 46:13).
3. Why does Christ's church share the glory of Christ?

DISCUSSION:

I. THE CHURCH IS GLORIOUS BECAUSE...

- A. The Church Has a Glorious Head (23; Col. 1:18; 1 Pet. 4:13).
- B. The Church Has a Glorious Name (25; Isa. 62:2; Acts 11:26; 1 Pet. 4:14).
- C. The Church Has a Glorious Law—the word (26; 2 Cor. 4:4; Jas. 2:12).
- D. The Glory of Christ is in the Church (27; Jn. 17:22; Eph. 3:21).
- E. The Church Has an Eternal Home in Glory (1 Pet. 5:1, 4, 10).

II. BECAUSE THE CHURCH IS GLORIOUS...

- A. She Needs Clean Members (Eph. 5:25-27; Jas. 1:27).
- B. She Needs Faithful Members (Rev. 2:10; Acts 2:42).
- C. She Needs Holy Members (27).
- D. She Needs Working Members (Rom. 2:10; Gal. 6:4; Rev. 22:12; 1 Cor. 3:6-9; Eph. 4:3).
- E. She Needs Loving Members (Jn. 13:35; 1 Cor. 13:3).
- F. She Needs Humble Members (Mt. 5:3; Eph. 4:1-2; Col. 3:12; 1 Pet. 5:5).
- G. She needs Unselfish Members (Phi. 2:21; 1 Cor. 10:24, 33).
- H. She Needs Earnest/Diligent Members (Heb. 2:1; Jude 3).

CONCLUSION:

1. Every concerned member of the local church wants his own to be the best it can be.
2. For your reflection: "What if every member of the church shared my degree of faithful ness?"

IMPLICATION AND BLASPHEMY AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT.

You may recall an article about a year ago in which we examined the words of Christ in Luke 12:10, which state: “*but him who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven*”. This is plain language that we may easily understand. What is not as plain as we may like is a definition of “blasphemy of the Holy Spirit”. What does it mean to blaspheme the Spirit? How can I know if I’ve done it? Moreover, if I have done it, is there nothing I can do about it, and am I doomed to Hell? This can be quite upsetting, to say the least.

There is no single passage which comes right out with the definition we desire, i. e., “blasphemy of the Holy Spirit is when you . . .” It’s just not there. So how do we discover what it means? We dig into God’s word, and we find that there is a sin, leading unto death, which the Lord will not forgive: “*If anyone sees his brother sinning a sin which does not lead to death, he will ask, and He will give him life for those who commit sin not leading to death. There is sin leading to death. I do not say that he should pray about that*” (1 John 5:16; cf. Luke 12:10).

We remember from prior reading that The Lord will forgive every sin that a Christian confesses: “*If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness*” (1 John 1:8-9).

What do we know?

- 1) We know that sin, if unforgiven, leads to death (Rom. 6:23).
- 2) We know that some sins will lead to death, and that some will not (cf. 1 John 5:16).
- 3) We know that if we confess our sins, we can trust God to be fair and to forgive our sins (so that they do not lead to death) (cf. 1 John 1:8-9).
- 4) Therefore, we *infer* (conclude) that the unforgivable sin is the sin which one will not confess. That is what the Scriptures imply; that is what they *say without saying*.



If **A** is taller than **B**, and if **B** is taller than **C**, then by implication, we know that **A** is taller than **C** though it is not stated explicitly—*ℝ*.

Welcome! 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.

Bible Study: Philippians 3:4f.

AM Sermon: The Glorious Church of the Glorious Christ (Eph. 5:22-30).

PM Sermon: Fighting Your Giants (1 Samuel 17: 31-37).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Diann Bachmann** is home after a brief stay in the hospital.
- **Linda Steele** is in Genesis for observation and a stress test after having fluid around her heart.
- **Randy Yost** was cleared by his doctors to drive on a limited basis. He will be undergoing an ultrasound on his kidneys soon.
- **Dave Hamilton** from *Potter Children's Home* will be here on the 16th to gather the change cans. He will give us a presentation during the Bible Study hour and deliver the morning lesson.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ **Check the foyer board for area events.**
- ❖ Please inform **John** of any changes to the prayer list, or directory.
- ❖ Remember to take advantage of our library.

AM Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed.	Contribution (Budget)
31	52	35	30	\$2882 (\$2,420)

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Tina Keith, Rick Lambert, Carol Mitchell, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, and Jean Whitley.

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

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Debra Bates-Phillabaum, Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), **Rachell Cook** (Angela Herald's friend), **Tiffany Endly** (Jerri Mackie's niece), **Helen Gregg**, **Bob Henthorn** (Laura Jamiel's dad), **Trudy Kerby**, **Colleen Kiester** (Mo Smith's sister), **Jody Main**, **Linda Potts** (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), **Kellie Price** (Richard Mayo's cousin), **Addy Reed**, **Rodney Reeves** (Erica Cunningham's father), **John Rockhold**, **Wilma Roe**, **Bob & Marge Watson**, the U.S.A., **Ukraine** and remember to pray for **one another**.