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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.

*Roger Rush, Minister*

WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

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

## A MONUMENT TO THE MASTER

I am not at all hesitant to say that the greatest man to ever live was Jesus Christ. Even his critics acknowledge that he was a good man. Christians, of course, believe he was the Son of God (Matthew 1:18-25). He was a charismatic and compassionate leader. Although his life ended tragically nearly two thousand years ago, he is still revered by multiplied millions.

He died by crucifixion. It was the most cruel and inhumane means of death devised by men. Both Jews and Gentiles found it repulsive (1 Corinthians 1:18-23). But Jesus was able to take a symbol of the very worst in humanity, and by his own death, transform it into a symbol of the best in man. Today the cross is embossed on Bibles, made of the most precious elements to be worn as jewelry, and planted prominently on hilltops as a reminder of his life and the hope he brought to humanity.

Those who deny that he was the Son of God are quick to acknowledge him as one of the greatest and most influential people of the past. Yet, there are no portraits of him, no marble bust, no gravestone (he resurrected from his tomb), and no other monuments to his life and achievements. He desired none of these!

Jesus desired but one memorial. On the night he was betrayed he met with his disciples. Near the close of that meeting, Matthew says that Jesus took bread and blessed it. Dividing it among his disciples, he said, "Take, eat; this is my body." He took the cup, and after giving thanks, distributed it, saying, "Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins" (Matthew 26:26-29). For nearly twenty centuries now the church has met on the Lord's Day (Sunday) to commemorate his death and resurrection by means of this supper (Acts 20:7). The bread is his body and the grape juice his blood. At his table we are called to remember. This was the only monument he desired. This monument will stand until he comes again (1 Corinthians 11:23-29).

I hope today finds you with other saints at the Lord's Table where his disciples have gathered for nearly two thousand years to honor his memory. It is a solemn moment as we partake of the bread and grape juice and remember. Every Christian has an appointment to meet around the Lord's Table on the Lord's Day. Will you be there?

---Roger

*Welcome! We are thankful for your presence.  
To our visitors, please fill out one of the blue cards and  
place it in one of the collection plates.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Please keep Hillery Ruiz in your prayers she is not feeling well.  
See Randy Cunningham if you know of a rental or home to buy.

A.M. Baptism - Aids to Understanding Romans 6:1-6  
P.M. Characteristics of a Consecrated Christian  
Philippians 4:1-9

<b><u>IN OUR PRAYERS:</u></b> Kevin Adkins, Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Hazel Leep, Hillery Ruiz			<b><u>SHUT-INS:</u></b> Debbie Jones, Nancy Love, and Randy Yost	
<b><u>FAMILY AND FRIENDS:</u></b> Bill and Peggy Albright (friend of the Starrett's), Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Betty Cox (Diann Bachmann's sister), Ryleigh Farson, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, John Shipley (New Concord), Conrad Schultz, and remember to pray for one another.				
<b>AM STUDY</b>	<b>SUN. AM</b>	<b>SUN. PM</b>	<b>GIVING (\$2,460)</b>	<b>WED.</b>

**REMINDERS:**

- ❖ New Directories will be printed, please see Jennifer Douglas if you would like a copy.
- ❖ Hazel Leep new address: 520 Taylor Ave. Apt. 3, Cambridge, Oh 43725. Phone: 740.319.3987 (correction)