

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

Sunday 10:00 am.....Bible Classes
 11:00 am.....Worship
 5:00 pm.....Worship
 Wed. 7:00 pm.....Bible Classes

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are so glad you are here. If this is your first time with us, here’s what to expect. We seek to worship according to the New Testament pattern. As a result, we **sing** without the accompaniment of mechanical musical instruments (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16). We have a weekly observe the **Lord’s Supper** (cf. Acts 20:7) which consists of unleavened bread and fruit of the vine (Matt. 26:26-29). This memorial is designed for those who have been baptized for the remission of sins to partake (Acts 2:38, 42). There will also be an **offering** collected from our members (1 Cor. 16:1-2). As our guest, you are not expected to make a donation. Feel perfectly comfortable passing the collection plate down the row. You will also hear the **preaching** of a Bible-centered message (Acts 20:7) and men leading the congregation in **prayer** (1 Tim. 2:8). We think you will find our worship meaningful and refreshing as we strive to do it in spirit and in truth (John 4:24). We encourage you to observe carefully and stay a while afterwards so that we can get to know you better and answer any questions you may have.

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ATTENDANCE & CONTRIBUTION RECORDS

| | 2018 Goals | Last Week | 1 yr ago |
|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Bible Study | 60 | 49 | 56 |
| Sun AM | 80 | 62 | 74 |
| Sun PM | 40 | 30 | 24 |
| Wed | 45 | 27 | 46 |
| Contribution | 1950 | 2073 | 2657 |

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Prayer for Today – Prayer for Tomorrow

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.
 Where there is hate, may I bring love;
 Where offense, may I bring pardon;
 May I bring union in place of discord;
 Truth, replacing error;
 Faith, where once there was doubt;
 Hope, for despair;
 Light, where was darkness;
 Joy to replace sadness.
 Help me not to crave to be loved as to love.
 Help me to learn that in giving I may receive;
 In forgetting self, I may find life eternal.*

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We wish to welcome you to our **Friends and Family Day**. If you are visiting, you are a special guest. We hope you can stay for everything we have planned. After **morning services**, we will have a **fellowship meal**. Then we will have our **afternoon services**. We hope you will take advantage of our hospitality and share in our love for the Lord and for each other.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Medical Updates

* **Julie Sterchi** had her gall bladder removed last Thur. She is home and resting and healing.

Halloween Gathering

Our annual Halloween gathering will be on Sat., **Oct. 27** beginning at 6 p.m. There will be a costume contest, games, and, of course, food (so be sure to bring some).

Birthdays This Week

* Kristi Clark (Oct. 14)

* Riley Phillips (Oct. 19)

* Chris Wells (Oct. 20)

Who are We and What Are We All About at the Church of Christ?

- * We are people who used to live sinful, selfish lives, but were washed clean by the blood of Christ and now we strive to live differently.*
- * We are people who want to act and worship according to Christ's standard, not man's.*
- * We are people who have a passion about getting the pure message of the gospel of Christ out to one and all.*
- * We are people who are all about Christ!*

- Edd Sterchi

Why Love?

"And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love." (1 Cor. 13:13)

Have you ever wondered why it is that love is the greatest? I mean, faith and hope are two powerful elements of our Christian lives. Without faith, it is impossible to please God (Heb. 11:4). Hope plays a part in anchoring our soul (Heb. 6:19). But love is more powerful. Love is the root of faith and hope. We have faith and hope only in that which we love. *"Many waters cannot quench love"* (Song of Solomon 8:7). *"Love never fails"* (1 Cor. 13:8).

Paul lists several Christian responsibilities in Col 2:12-13; duties like kindness, humility, patience, and forgiveness. Then after giving the list, in verse 14, Paul through inspiration writes: *"But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection."* Love is what cements all of the Christian virtues together, helping to make our lives complete. If we are to ever express kindness and forgiveness, we must first possess love. Love takes action and does good things. *"My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth"* (1 John 3:18).

And think about this: faith and hope are for the here and now, but love will be forever. Love is something that has always been around – and always will be. God, who is eternal (Psa. 90:2) is also described in 1 John 4:8 as love. God is love – He always has been and He always will be love. His love transcends all time and temporality (Rom. 8:35-38). *"I have loved you with an everlasting love"* (Jer. 31:3). *"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever"* (Psa. 136:1, ESV).

Love is powerful. Love is beneficial. Love is eternal. It seems to me that love is really important. Maybe it's time we started expressing and practicing love more.

"Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart" (1 Pet. 1:22)

- Edd Sterchi