

“...strengthen thy brethren”

Luke 22:32



Revelation 2:2 “I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil..”

CHURCH OF CHRIST

March 3, 2019

Schedule of Services

Worship...	Sunday	11:00 a.m.
	Sunday	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study...	Sunday	10:00 a.m.
	Wednesday	6:00 p.m.

Website: www.coc-gc.org

Food closet: Cereals

Ladies Bible Class March 12th and 26th (10 am)

REQUESTED PRAYERS

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- Cindy Atkinson—health. (knee)
- Al Haskell - kidney problems.
- Marty Stearns and Joyce— flooded house in ice storm.
- Bud Gruno—Medilodge Nursing Home, Montrose with Lymphoma Brain Cancer
- Dan Goddard-serious health issues
- Joe Wilkerson-health
- Vivian Golwitzer-recovering
- Joyce Artibee-Jeannie’s sister—recovering at home
- Joan’s brother Hurley and Opal, sister Christena Apostolico in Ohio—health problems
- Chere’— Pryia Vannoy (daughter) and Adam Vannoy (son)
- Edith Taylor-Bill’s mother is getting better.
- Katherine Brooks - prayer
- Cody Cantrell-coma-Bill’s friend.
- Rachel Hall—health problems
- Cindy’s friends-Ireland Family, Wayne Hamilton, Kathy and Misty Davis, Jody Rynca-cancer, Marie Hall, Mitchell Larson and Walt and Ilene Davenport— health
- Betty requests prayers for Earlene Currier-health-Betty’s Aunt, Betty’s daughters: Donna, Carrie, Susan Wills, Debra, also, Lauren Weidner-grand-daughter.
- Ted Millwood—in rehabilitation doing a little better

SERMONS

AM: Can A Child of God be Lost? PM: Christ and the Church

Can A Child Of God Be Lost?

1 John 1:9; 2:2

1. History: 1 Cor. 10:5-12

A. The New Testament Teaches We Can Be Lost.

1. Acts tells us how to be saved.

2. Twenty one books tell us how to keep saved.

3. Acts 8:22

4. 1 John 2:1

5. James 5:16

B. Misused Passages.

1. John 5:24

2. John 10:27

3. Rom. 8:35

4. 1 John 3:9

C. A Child Of God Can Be Lost.

1 Cor, 10:8, 12

Gal. 5:4

2 Pet. 2:20-21

Rev. 3:16

Heb. 6:4-6

D, Teaching That Confirms One Can Fall Away.

Luke 8:62

Luke 17:32

1 Cor. 9:27

Rev 2:4; 3:5

Luke 8:13

E. We Do Not Have To Fall.

Acts 2:42

1 Cor. 15:58

1. Hear 2. Believe 3. Repent 4. Confess 5. Baptized

Rom. 10:17; 1 John 4:15 Acts 2:38; Gal. 3:27

Remain Faithful or Be Lost

The Blessings of the Christian Life

So many times in life, we witness needless tragedies: people turning their lives to drugs and alcohol, teenagers giving in to peer pressure, and lives that are ended far too early because of tragedy and despair. We live in a world full of darkness. In John 8: 12, Jesus tells His followers, "... I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." As Christians we have more responsibility on us than just attending the assembly on Sunday and reading our Bible. Jesus tells us in Matthew 5 we are the light of the world, and again just before He ascended to Heaven He bestowed on each and every one of us the responsibility to go and proclaim the Gospel message (Matthew 28:18-20). One of the greatest blessings of being a child of God is the ability to tell others the message of hope. Though it can be very discouraging sometimes working hard and laboring for the Kingdom only to have, in our eyes, little response, we must remember God's ways are not our ways and God's plans are not our plans (Isaiah 55:8-9). Even if we can only reach one person, our time was well spent. Consider the story in Acts 8. God sent one man, Philip, on a journey to teach one lost soul. In Luke 15 Jesus tells us the parable of one lost sheep. He said one lost sheep is more rejoiced over than ninety-nine who are saved. "... I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance." Sometimes we get so caught up in numbers that we forget the value of each and every individual person. If our souls were valuable enough for God to send His Son to lay down His life for us, is not one soul worth whatever sacrifice we must make to teach them the good news of Christ?

The truest blessing of being a Christian is the fact we are clothed with Christ (Galatians 3:27). There is nothing in this life or the next that can pull us from the love of God. In the deepest and darkest points in our life when we seem to be all alone and forsaken, we know Christ is with us. When we come to the end of our life and the certainty of death is at hand, we know, for a faithful Christian, to die is to gain. If someone asked me, “why be a Christian?” my first thought would be how can I not? Sometimes it is easy to get so caught up in all the negativity of this world that we forget the very blessings of God. God sends rain and sunshine on the righteous and the unrighteous (Matthew 5:45). We are told in James 1:17, “... Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights.” Imagine a world where everyone adopted the same philosophy of God. Of course that is not possible here on earth but a day is coming (Titus 2:13), when our great God and Savior Jesus Christ will call us home to that perfect world where there will be no more pain, no more sorrow, no more death, and no more sin. Being a Christian is not simply following a man we respect and taking His name as our own; being a Christian is much more. Being a Christian is a privilege, honor, and gift no one deserves, yet the God of the Heavens and the earth still out of His endless love and mercy bestowed the honor on us through the blood of His Son Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 15:10). Paul provided us one of the best examples of a faithful man following Christ. In 2 Timothy 4:6-8 he tells Timothy, “For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally,

there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.” What is the greatest blessing of being a Christian? Though we live in a world full of uncertainties as Christians, we do have the certainty God loves us and, “... o him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God” (Revelation 2:7). The question is not really why be a Christian. The question is how can I not? By Michael Stock

Be a Leader

Some parents adopt a philosophy of letting their children follow their “natural bent.” Some say, “I am not going to try to influence my child when it comes to religion. I will let him make his own decision.” One might as well reason, “I am not going to try to prejudice my garden in favor of strawberries. I am going to let the clods decide between weeds and berries.” God wants us to influence our children in the way of righteousness (Deuteronomy 6:6–9). Matthew Henry’s comment on Proverbs 20:11 (“Even a child is known by his deeds, whether what he does is pure and right”) is interesting. He wrote, “Parents should observe their children, that they may manage them accordingly.” Each parent must observe a child to know him. It is as natural as conceiving, carrying, and giving birth to a little one. Once the observation is made, formulate a plan to lead the child to Christ and a righteous life (Proverbs 22:1; Matthew 6:33; Ephesians 6:4).

SUNDAY 3/3/2019

Morning Worship:

Announcements: Michael Golwitzer

Song Leader: Al Haskel

Opening Prayer: Al Haskel

Lord's Supper: Lead: Michael Golwitzer

Assist: Bill Alldaffer, Todd Penoyer

Preaching: Michael Golwitzer

Closing Prayer: Todd Penoyer

Bible Class:

Song Lead: Bill Alldaffer

Teacher: Michael Golwitzer

Opening Prayer: Al Haskel

Evening Worship:

Announcements: Todd Penoyer

Song Leader: Al Haskel

Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer

Preaching: Michael Golwitzer

Lord's Supper: Michael Golwitzer

Closing Prayer: Todd Penoyer

WEDNESDAY 3/6/2019

Song Leader: Bill Alldaffer

Opening Prayer: Todd Penoyer

Bible Teacher: Michael Golwitzer

The fields are ready for harvest. Souls are looking for the Truth. It's our duty to go to our neighbor and teach the Gospel.

Show that you care!

