

## GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION

**Hear the Gospel** (Rm 10:17) - Jesus, the Son of God was born of a virgin birth, lived a sinless life, died on a cross to bear our sins, was resurrected and is now Lord over all, and through His death and life man can be eternally saved through obedience of faith in Him.

**Believe the Gospel** (Jn 3:16; Heb. 11:6; Mk 16:16)  
Trust in God's promise to save you through Jesus.

**Repent** (Acts 2:38,3:19,17:30;Titus 2:11-12)  
Turn from a life of sin to living a life for God's glory.

**Confess Jesus as Lord** (Rm10:9-10; Acts 8:37)  
An outward expression of your faith & submission.

**Be Baptized [immersion]** (1 Peter 3:21) - In baptism you are buried with Christ, and raised up with Him (Romans 6:3-4; Colossians 2:12). Your sins are washed away (Acts 22:16). At this moment you're **added to the church** (Acts 2:41), which is the BODY OF CHRIST (Ephesians 1:22-23) - the SAVED (Acts 2:47).

**Remain Faithful** (Rev. 2:10; Hebrews 10:23)  
Continue to be faithful at any cost and the promise of heaven is sure.

### THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

**10-09-22 (AM)      10-16-22(AM)**

<b>Greeter</b>		
<b>Song Leader</b>	Phil Legate	Jason Thompson
<b>Prayer Table</b>	Doug Phillips	Steve Haugsted
	Noah Riggs	Terry Tull
	Kim Sleege	Art Wallis
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<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Ben McGowan	Brad McGowan
<b>Speaker</b>	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
<b>Closing Prayer</b>	Jacob Sorensen	Doug Phillips
<b>Lord's Supper Prep</b>	Nancy Wallis	Nancy Wallis
	<b>10-09-22(PM)</b>	<b>10-16-22 (PM)</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
<b>Wed. Song Leader</b>	(10/12) Jason T.	(10/19) Noah R.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES

Communion (bread & juice) available on the foyer table for personal use at home or worship.

Ladies Bible Class Monday, October 10th at 7 pm here at the building.

Ladies sewing day Thursday, October 13th at 9 am here at the building.

The Central Church of Christ youth group has invited out young people to go bowling together. Tentative date is December 10th at 6 pm at Spare Time Bowling in Cedar Rapids.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries October

- 10/7 Abby Wallis
- 10/12 Andrew Sleege
- 10/19 Brittany Phillips
- 10/19 Audrey Phillips
- 10/19 Gideon Phillips
- 10/20 Jon Rathje
- 10/27 Jen Knaack
  
- 10/17 Wayne and June McGowan



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# Center Point Road Church of Christ

WE ARE A FAMILY WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO GLORIFY GOD, LEAD OTHERS TO CHRIST, MINISTER TO PEOPLE'S NEEDS. ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER TO GROW IN FAITH AND IN HIS WORD SO WE MAY ENJOY ETERNAL LIFE WITH HIM.

### ASSEMBLY TIMES

#### **SUNDAY**

- 9:30A.M. BIBLE CLASS (ALL AGES)
- 10:30A.M. CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP
- 6:00P.M. EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE (ALL AVAILABLE VIA FACEBOOK LIVE)

#### **WEDNESDAY**

- 7:00 P.M. BIBLE CLASS (ALSO AVAILABLE VIA FACEBOOK LIVE)

WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS AND HOPE YOU WILL STAY AFTER SERVICES SO WE CAN MEET YOU!!!

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# The Fountain of Life

*Keith Olbricht*

If you go to the city of St. Augustine, Florida, you can go to an attraction claiming to be the Fountain of Youth. According to legend, Ponce de Leon landed near this site in the year 1535 and claimed a nearby spring to be a source of perpetual youthfulness based on the physiques of the indigenous people. (Note: there is no historical or archaeological evidence to support any of this, nor is there any mention in any of Ponce de Leon's writings.) Yet the myth is an attractive one and many have sought (and still seek) a source of being forever young.

While the Bible speaks of the tree of life (Genesis 2:9; Revelation 22:1) and the river of life (Revelation 22:2), the true source of life is God. The psalmist wrote, "For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light" (Psalms 36:9); and, "And He said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts'" (Revelation 21:6).

Were there to be a real "fountain of youth," be it in Florida or Timbuktu, what would you pay for access to its waters? How far would you go? What mountain would you not climb to get it? How long would you stand in line to access it? What would you not do? But we know the fountain of youth to be mythical, a fairy tale, nothing more than the desperate imagination of dreamers.

But think about this: even if the fountain of youth were real, it would still be temporal. You would still be subject to all the dangers and trials of this earthly life. Theoretically you could live forever, but you would constantly have to access those waters, and in the meantime your body would be subject to all the diseases, injuries, accidents, and sudden afflictions known to man. Neither pain, nor sorrow, nor frustration, nor disappointment, nor even death would be taken away. Life forever on this earth would be a perpetual existence of misery.

Why don't we go to the source? God has promised eternal life to those who love Him, serve Him, and obey Him. That eternal existence leaves all the nonsense of this earth behind: we will forever be with Him! "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

So let's ask again: what would not do to have eternal life? It is hard to imagine someone walking away from the fountain of youth without drinking of its waters. Are you walking away from the Fountain of Life?

## PRAYER LIST

- ◆ Gerry & Kathy Moser
- ◆ Leonard Weber, Chris Johnson, Jeff Abrams, — Cancer treatment
- ◆ Steve Lewis - brother in law of Phil and Shelley Legate - Dementia/Alzheimer's
- ◆ Julie Davis - friend of Phil and Shelley from Fort Dodge - Lung cancer
- ◆ Marnetta Tillman - friend of the Haugsted's - health issues.
- ◆ Dave Samuelson - former member here - long term health struggles.
- ◆ Donnie Faber - Fiance of Shelley LeGates niece has bone cancer in his lower back.

