

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

10-23-22 (AM) 10-30-22(AM)

Greeter	Jason Thompson	Lori McGowan
Song Leader	Noah Riggs	Phil Legate
Prayer Table	Kim Sleege	Terry Tull
	Phil Legate	Art Wallis
	Troy Wallis	Noah Riggs
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Scripture Reading	Jacob Sorensen	Doug Phillips
Speaker	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
Closing Prayer	Steve Haugsted	Troy Wallis
Lord's Supper Prep	Nancy Wallis	Nancy Wallis

10-23-22(PM) 10-30-22 (PM)

Speaker	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
Wed. Song Leader	(10/26) Doug P.	(11/2) Jason T.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES

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

Ladies Bible Class Monday, October 24th at 7 pm here at the building.

Potluck and Men's meeting on October 30th

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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Trust God With A Stone In Your Hand

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I hope that title got your attention. Let me explain what I mean by it. David was a man who trusted God. He wrote in Psalm 62:7-8, “In God is my salvation and my glory; The rock of my strength, And my refuge, is in God. Trust in Him at all times...” God was his rock, and he had a rock-solid trust in Him. This is the way David lived his life—even from his youth. Let’s look at one such example from David’s younger days.

In 1 Samuel 17, Israel was at war with the vicious and war-hardened Philistines. They were at a standoff in the Valley of Elah with Israel on the mountains on one side and the Philistines on the mountains on the other. The Philistines made a proposal. They would send their best warrior, a giant named Goliath, and he would battle any Israelite. The winner would seal victory for his army. Day after day, he came out waiting for a challenger. Day after day, the Israelites cowered in fear. This went on for 40 days.

Then young David entered into the picture. He was too young to be in the army, but his three oldest brothers were. Occasionally he would bring food to his brothers, and this was one time when he was doing just that. When he witnessed Goliath’s challenge and the Israelites’ fearful response, he volunteered to battle the giant. He knew that God wanted victory for His people, and he knew that God would provide a way.

His words in v.37 confirm this: “The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.”

With the permission of king Saul and with a complete trust in God, he went forth to the battle. But first he put a stone in his hand. In fact, he picked up five stones (v.40, likely this was because Goliath had four brothers and he thought he might have to fight them also). When the confrontation ensued, David said to Goliath, “You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. But I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand” (v.45-46). In essence, David said, “You have formidable weapons indeed, but my weapon is God!” David then took one of the stones in his hand, placed it in a sling and felled the giant with one blow (v.49).

Now, here’s my point. David fully trusted in God, but he still put a stone in his hand and did his part. That is what true trust is – relying upon God, but still doing what you are supposed to do. As the old saying states, “Do your best and trust God for the rest.” Do you trust God with a stone in your hand?

PRAYER LIST

- ◆ Gerry & Kathy Moser - Gerry’s recovery from recent fall
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Todd McWherter - Prayers for continued improvement after injection
- ◆ Alyssa Thompson - Jason and Jessica’s daughter-in-law - having some pregnancy complications

