

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

02-26-23 (AM) 03-05-23(AM)

Greeter	Roger Reuter	Jacob Sorensen
Song Leader	Noah Riggs	Troy Wallis
Prayer Table	Jacob Sorensen	Jason Thompson
	Kim Slegee	Terry Tull
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Scripture Reading Speaker	Ben McGowan	Roger Reuter
Closing Prayer	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
Lord's Supper Prep	Steve Haugsted	Art Wallis
	Lori McGowan	Valerie Slegee

02-26-23(PM) 03-05-23 (PM)

Speaker	Matthew Brotherton	Matthew Brotherton
Wed. Song Leader	(03/01) Phil L.	(03/08) Doug P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES

Ladies Bible Class Monday 2/27 @ 7 pm here at the building.

Sing over Iowa - Saturday, March 18th from 2-4 pm
Hosted by the Cedarloo Church of Christ.

Jefferson Church of Christ is having a guest speaker, Steven Baxley, March 17-19. Topic is Great Themes from Romans. See the bulletin board for more details.

Starting in March, the ladies will be having a sewing day every third Thursday of the month. They will start around 9 am and work into the afternoon. All are welcome. Come when you can, leave when you need to. Bring your lunch.

Birthdays & Anniversaries March

3/4 Matthew Brotherton
3/5 Jason Thompson
3/7 Elianna Sorensen
3/9 Georgie Brotherton
3/13 Joyra Thompson
3/20 Jacob Sorensen
3/27 Ella Wallis
3/27 Trevor Wallis



3/6 Matthew & Georgie Brotherton

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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 AND YOUTUBE)

WEDNESDAY

7:00 P.M. BIBLE CLASS

(ALSO AVAILABLE VIA FACEBOOK LIVE AND YOUTUBE)

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

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Preacher

The Church Is Important

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I wonder if the church is as important to us today as it was to the Christians in the first century? There's an old saying that states something like: "Don't let the urgent overtake the important." There are a lot of urgent matters in the world today, but we must not let them crowd out the importance of the church. Let's use the book of Ephesians to prove this point.

The Church is Important Because of the Father's Purpose (Eph. 3:8-11). In this section we can clearly see that God had the church in mind all along! The church is not an afterthought, a plan B, or a substitute as some claim. It is not by the will of man or by some accident that the church exists. God had the church planned from eternity. He is the mastermind behind the true and wonderful church (Eph. 3:14-15). That makes it very important indeed.

The Church is Important Because of the Son's Purchase (Eph. 5:25-27). Christ's sacrifice shows the value God places on the church. Would you be willing to give your life for something of unimportance? Of course not, and neither was Jesus! It is sad to hear some people say, "Give me Christ, but not the church." That's like saying, "Give me the head, but not the body." The church is the body of Christ (Eph. 1:22-23). You can't separate Christ and the church. The church cost Jesus His blood. Because of that, it should be extremely important to us.

The Church is Important Because of the Spirit's Presence (Eph. 2:19-22). The church is the temple of God. In Old Testament times, God's Spirit dwelt in the tabernacle and later the temple. But now the church is the temple of God and the Spirit still dwells in it. Like the temple of old, in the church, where the Spirit lives, God is worshiped and given glory (Eph. 3:21). This makes the church a matter of great importance.

Without a doubt, the church is important to God. If the church really is that important to Him, then that would make proper association and involvement within it important, as well. And, without a doubt, it is. Is the church important to you? Are you an active member of it?

The urgent finds you; you have to find the important. Importance is not fast. It is slow. It is not superficial. It is deep. And as a result, it's extremely powerful. When important matters go wrong, they undermine everything. When they go right, they sustain everything.

— *Stewart Brand* —

PRAYER LIST

- ◆ Gerry & Kathy Moser - Gerry's continued recovery
- ◆ Leonard Weber - 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.
- ◆ Sharla Ashcraft - sister of Kayla Wallis - MS ; pain management
- ◆ Jen Knaack - Recent foot surgery
- ◆ Jessica Thompson - prayers for sooner consultation in Iowa City.
- ◆ Doug Phillips - Health issues
- ◆ Family of Chris Johnson - Nephew of Phil and Shelley - comfort and strength after his recent passing.

