

Franklin **Street**  
C H U R C H O F C H R I S T

# **GOSPEL MEETING**

**God's Eternal  
Purpose**

**HE'S GOT THE WHOLE  
WORLD IN HIS HANDS**



**November 18-21, 2018**

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# The Church of Christ

The Church of Christ dates back to the days of the New Testament (Romans 16:16). It was founded by Christ on the Day of Pentecost, A.D. 33 (Acts 2), just after His ascension back to heaven. In the years that followed, it rapidly grew to fill Jerusalem, then Judea, Samaria, and finally the whole Roman Empire (Acts 1:8; Colossians 1:23). It was first established in America in the late 1700s, in the New England states.

The Church of Christ is noted for its emphasis upon returning to New Testament Christianity and for its desire to unite all Christians into one body (1 Corinthians 1:10). We believe that the New Testament is the only rule for faith and practice in religious matters (2 Timothy 3:17; I Peter 4:11) and that it must authorize all that is done in Christian worship (Colossians 3:17; Revelation 22:18–19). Thus we try to strictly follow the New Testament. For this reason, only acappella music is used in worship assemblies and the Lord's supper is observed every Sunday. We believe the Bible teaches that sinners are saved by faith, repentance, confession, and baptism (John 3:16; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Romans 10:9–10) and that a Christian must remain faithful to the Lord after conversion (Revelation 2:10). The Church of Christ is organized with elders, deacons, preachers, and members as in New Testament times (Philippians 1:1).



We believe that Jesus is the Son of God (John 20:30– 31), that the Bible is inspired of God (2 Timothy 3:16– 17), and that Jesus will return to take His kingdom (church) home to God (1 Corinthians 15:24). We emphasize sincere worship (John 4:24), every- member evangelism (Acts 8:4), godly living (Titus 2:11–12), love for each other (John 13:33–34), and helping those in need (James 1:27). We believe that it is possible to have religious unity in a day of division by simply following the New Testament pattern and putting aside human traditions.

To put it simply, the **Franklin Street church of Christ** is seeking to be the same church one reads about in the New Testament. We aim to restore its doctrine, its practice, its lifestyle, and its zeal.

We are a family linked by our common need for a Savior – Jesus. We are all on a spiritual journey seeking God, accepting Jesus, and being empowered by the Holy Spirit. As a result, we desire to restore the life and spirit of the New Testament church.

We are an independent group who just want to be Christians. We want to be nondenominational. We believe that unity is possible with a common faith and a gracious love for one another.

We want to be Christian in its purest sense – “Christ-like.” We try to be people of growth, integrity, purity, service, evangelism, and spiritual relationships. It is our dream that God will continually give us a vision of what it means to be a caring, compassionate people committed to serving and meeting the needs of others.

# CHURCH OF CHRIST WORSHIP IS ACCORDING TO THE NEW TESTAMENT PATTERN

*It opposes all items of worship not authorized in the New Testament. The worship of the first century Church consisted of:*

## ***\*Singing***

"Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19

## ***\*Praying***

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." Acts 2:42

## ***\*Preaching***

"And now behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God." Acts 20:25-27

## ***\*Communion***

"Now on the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight." Acts 20:7

## ***\*Giving***

"On the first *day* of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come." 1 Corinthians 16:2



# **TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN YOU MUST:**

## **Hear the Gospel**

*“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17).*

## **Believe It**

*“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:6).*

## **Repent of past sins**

*“Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent.” (Acts 17:30).*

## **Confess**

*“That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” (Romans 10:9-10).*

## **Be Baptized**

*“Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit” (Acts 2:38).*

## **Be Faithful**

*“Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw *some* of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.”*

*(Revelation 2:10).*



# Welcome

Welcome visitors to our worship service. We are so excited and thankful to God that you have chosen to be with us today. It is our prayer that today's worship will inspire you to become part of this unique group of believers.



## PRAYER REQUEST

**B Bereavement:** Reed & Carr, Smith & Taylor, Sullen, Vaughans, Brown & Smith, Brumfield & Cook, Smith, Joseph, Jean, Martin, Jenkins, Smith, Turner, Wiggins, McQuietor, Pennington, Cotton, Major, Miller & Kaigler family

**Health Related:** Effie Hall, Brandon Clark, Leroy Stewart, Warren Jenkins, Mona Bartholemew, Amanda LaGarde, Velma Hicks, Jackie Cummins, Dominique Antoine, Justita Fernandez, Terri Verrett, Caleb Pierre, Melba Shields mother, Ruth Crowder, Liz Jenkins, Larry Tate, Willie Nunnery, Annie McQuietor, Alonzo Jones sister, Donna Johnson, Gail Brown, Anthony Bartholomew, Dorothy Ricard, Tamara Clark, Savannah Johnson, Philemenia Hamilton, Sadie Smith, Al Hicks, Bailie Becnel, Raymond Dumas, Al Washington, Bertrum Lee, Yvonne Edmonds, Warren Bastian, Dora Talamantes, Juanita Butler, Kendall Banks

**Confession of Sin:** Eldric Cambrice

**Thanksgiving:** Effie Hall, Yolanda Cambrice, Shirley Stewart, Lyzonda Hall

**Spiritual Strength:** Effie Hall, Erin Clark, Lionel Johnson, Eldric & Yolanda Cambrice, Patterson family, Misty Jenkins, Kevonne Verrett, Charlie Keels, Sidney Reed II, Quindell Anthony, Mona Bartholemew, Patrick & Sonya Sylve, Ruth Crowder, Shawn Jefferson, Annie McQuietor & family, Blazio family, Antonio Bowens, Phyllis Neveaux, Safria Sylve, Tammie Florence, Juanita Butler, Stella Nwafor, Keara McQuietor, Kendle Banks & family, Chanel Cook, Emily McQuietor, Shirley Stewart, Tracie Hunter, Michael Sanders & family, Liz Jenkins, Carlee Dunlap, Mona Ivery & family, Harry Cook, Sona Sylve, Shailyn Ruffin, Kevin & Jacqueline Smith

**Traveling:** Reed family

# PRAY FOR ME

# Will You Pray for Me?

# THE CHURCH

**9am: Bible Study:**

**10am: God's Eternal Purpose**

Ephesians 3:8-12

**2pm: The Church: Identifying Marks**

Ephesians 4:1-6

**7pm: Monday: The Church: The Past**

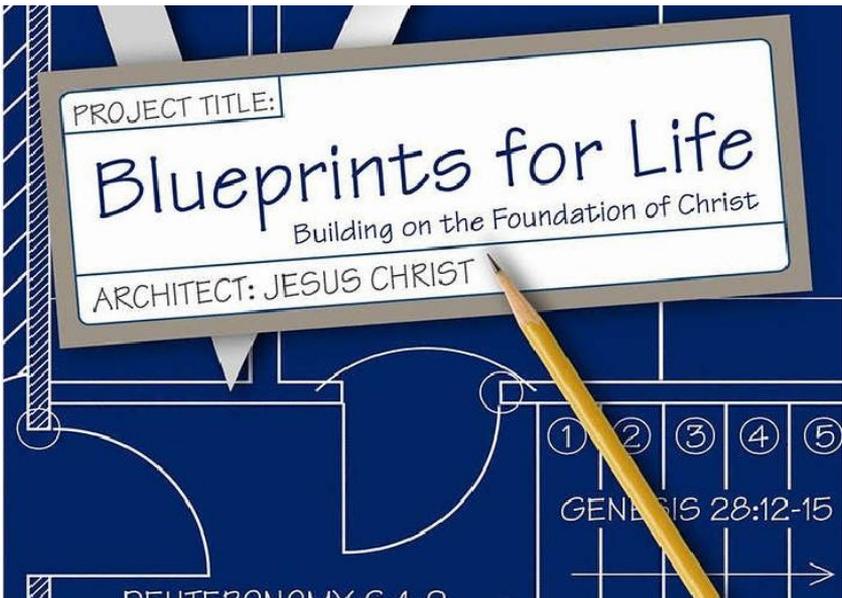
2 Thessalonians 2:1-4

**7pm: Tuesday: The Church: The Present**

Titus 1:1-3

**7pm: Wednesday: The Church: The Future**

Revelation 21:1-4



# The Church of Christ:

## IT HAS NO CREED, BUT THE BIBLE

*The Churches of Christ in the New Testament were governed without human creed:* "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

*The Bible, alone provides for everything that man need for life and godliness:* "As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him, who called us by glory and virtue. 2 Peter 1:3

## IT BELIEVES IN SPEAKING WHERE THE BIBLE SPEAKS

*It speaks only the oracles of God:* "If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen." 1 Peter 4:11

*It holds fast to the form of sound doctrine:* " Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus." 2 Timothy 1:13

## IT PLEADS FOR THE UNITY OF ALL BELIEVERS

*Jesus prayed that we all might be one:* " I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.." John 17:20-21

*The Apostle Paul pleaded that we all might speak the same things:* "Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment." 1 Corinthians 1:10

## Church of Christ Announcements

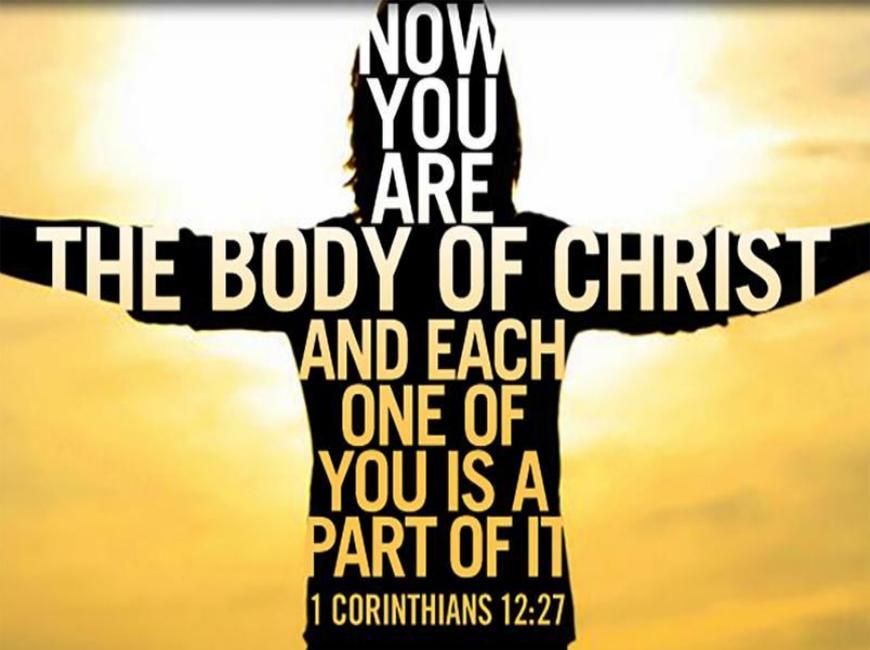
- **Franklin Gospel Mtg, Nov 18-21 (Sun is 9a, 10a, 2p)**
  - **Fellowship meal on Sunday**
  - **7pm each night – Mon-Wed**
- Franklin Gospel Meeting, Nov 18-21, Bro. Derek Wilson
- Marriage Ministry Mtg, Friday, Nov 23, 7pm
- Ladies Bake Potato Night, Fri., Dec 7, 7pm
  - \$5/person - See sign up sheet on BB
  - Sis Banks and Sis McQuieter are collecting money
- N32nd Ladies Prayer Breakfast, December 8, 9-Noon
  - Oak Lodge Conf Center, 2834 S. Sherwood Forest
  - \$14/person, see bulletin board

We care for your soul. Your soul is more valuable than all the material possessions you might acquire. *“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?”* (Matthew 16:26).





**UNCOVER THE FACTS**



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1 CORINTHIANS 12:27

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Sinner’s Faith, Acts 16:31

Sinner’s Repentance, Luke 13:3

Sinner’s Confession, Romans 10:10

Sinner’s Baptism, 1 Peter 3:21

Christian’s Work, James 2:24

Christian’s Hope, Romans 8:24

Christian’s Endurance, Revelation 2:10

**DON'T JUST GO  
TO CHURCH  
BE THE CHURCH**



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# **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

## **Sunday**

Bible Class 9:00 AM

Morning Worship 10:00 AM

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

## **Wednesday**

Bible Study 7:00 PM

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