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THE MESSENGER

"This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all." 1 John 1:5

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WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS

If you are one of our visitors today, please know that we are indeed honored to have you. If you are a member of the Lord's body, thanks for choosing to worship with us today. If you are not a member of the Lord's church, we would be happy to meet with you and discuss how one becomes a member of the church which we read about in the New Testament. We aim to speak as they spoke and do as they did. We also offer a free Bible correspondence course which can be mailed to you. Or, someone would be glad to meet with you for a one-on-one Bible Study. You can indicate your desire on a visitor's card and place it in the collection tray.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Bible Class.....10 a.m.

Worship11 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting

(Last Wed. each month @ 7 pm)



WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

HEAR

Rom. 1:16;
10:17

BELIEVE

John 8:24

REPENT

Luke 13:3
Acts 3:19;

CONFESS

Rom 10:9-10
Matt. 10:32

BE BAPTIZED

Acts 2:38;
22:16

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Peace in a Troubled World

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." **John 14:27 (NKJV)**

The tumultuous times in which we live challenge our sense of security and well-being. In a world filled with violence, injustice, financial instability, and natural disasters, how can we live in undisturbed safety? Jesus' words to His disciples seem contradictory—peace and tribulation just don't go together.

This makes no sense unless we realize that Christ's peace is not the same as the world's (John 14:27). The average person thinks tranquility will come with an outward change in their circumstances: When I have a better job or more money, then I will be content. Or, if a particular person in my life changes, then I will feel at ease. But Christ offers a relationship with the Father that fills our hearts with satisfied contentment, no matter what the external conditions may be.

We need to understand that Christ's offer of peace came not when everything was going well, but just hours before His disciples' world fell apart. All their hopes and dreams were dashed when the Messiah hung on the cross. Although they didn't realize it, Jesus offered them exactly what they would need to cope with the trouble that lay ahead. In the same way, He gives us quiet confidence which anchors our souls in stressful times.

We can never arrange all circumstances so that we feel safe and secure, nor can we find anywhere on earth that will be free from problems. The way to overcome the world isn't by removing difficulties from one's life. Instead, victory comes from walking through troubles with quiet confidence in God's sovereignty and divine purpose for everything He allows.

Isaiah 26:2 *"You (God) will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You."*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to **silence** your cell phones.

This Wednesday Night we'll be starting a new booklet. Please be present to get your copy.

As we prepare for our Family and Friends Day on Aug. 11, we have prepared flyers to be handed out to those you would like to invite. Our aim is to have approximately 100 people in worship.

Sis. Lydia Chaff has the list of food items to be brought to the picnic.

Members, if you did not receive a text or email regarding the contribution, please let Sis. Angela Williams know.

For Prayer: Bro. Julian Rice and Kristen Coleman as they travel each Sunday from Wisconsin to be with us. Also Erika Dockens Nadia Hawks, Robert Davis, Ursula Ware. Rob Hardy's son Paul. Serena Webster leaves this afternoon for military boot camp.

Members Out of Town:
The Bells Family

Our College Students

Paris Mickles: SIU

Darren Jackson: SIU

Bria Gamble: Illinois State

2019 School Graduates

Deneé Webster: University of Illinois

Serena Webster: Homewood Flossmoor High

Birthdays

July 24 - Deneé Webster



For this and all following weeks, please submit your announcements to Brother Webster by **Thursday night.**

Order of Service

Song

Announcement

Song

Opening Prayer

Song

Scripture Reading

Song

Sermon

Song

Lord's Supper

Offering

Song

Closing Prayer

Last Week's Record



Sun. AM Class	29
Sun. AM Worship	54
Wed. Bible Class	21