#### **Sermon Notes**

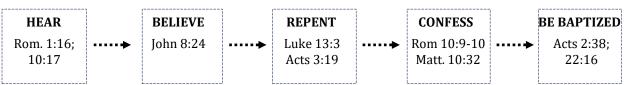
Text: Topic:



#### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

 $Song \sim Announcements \sim Song \sim Opening \ Prayer \sim Song \sim Scripture \ Reading \sim Song \sim Sormon \sim Song \sim Lord's \ Supper \sim Offering \sim Song \sim Closing \ Prayer$ 

#### WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?





# 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." I John 1:5

Volume 4 April 16, 2023 Issue 3

**Minister**: Robert Webster (708) 752-5589 (robster67@gmail.com)

**Secretary**: Sis. Ruthie Gamble (708)336-3120 (request/announcements) (708)743-5439 (whcocsecretary@gmail.com)

### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### Sunday

| Young Christians' Class | 10 a.m. |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Sun. Adult Bible Class  | 10 a.m. |
| Worship Service         | 11 a.m. |

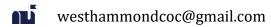
### Wednesday

Bible Study (on Zoom)...7:00 p.m.

I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Psalm 122:1

www.westhammondcoc.com



• 1138 173rd St., Hammond IN 46324

### **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 vou 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 located at the front on the communion table.

## **CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH**

### **God Will Finish His Work**

The apostle Paul was trying to encourage the brethren in Philippi and was wanting them to continue to find true joy in serving Christ.

Sometimes it is easy for the word to distract us and cause us to forget all of the reasons that we have to rejoice as Christians. Among the many great joys that we have in Christ is this reminder: "Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6).

If you are IN Christ, then remain confident that God "has begun a good work IN you." He is at work in you, "both to will and to do for His good pleasure" (Phil. 2:12-13). His power is at work within us (Eph. 3:20-21), for His Word is "effectively" at work in us (1 Thess. 2:13).

...remain confident that if God has "begun a good work in you" that He "will complete it until the day of Christ." God is not going to give up on you! God doesn't have any quit in Him! He will finish what He started!

Secondly, remain confident that if God has "begun a good work in you" that He "will complete it until the day of Christ." God is not going to give up on you! God doesn't have any quit in Him! He will finish what He started!

So, the question is, will you? Let's find true joy in Him!

David Sproule Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ, Florida

Submitted by Edward Davis

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### REMINDERS:

~Please silence your *cell phones*.



~**No eating** in the auditorium.

Card.

Returning Guest Log in the foyer.

**Prayer request** cards are located in the foyer.

made or to be included in the bulletin to Sis. Ruthie Smith. The Cotton & Peden families, Sis. Helen Gamble at 708-336-3120.

There is a *suggestion box* in the foyer.

Donations for the Mississippi tornado victims can FOR ENCOURAGEMENT: be paid to the church via check, PayPal or Please continue to pray for and encourage our new CashApp. Please indicate "tornado victim" on your members Sis. Carrie Ricks, Sis. Terry Armmer, payment.

The Ladies' and Men's Ministries meet every McLaurin. other Thursday. The next meeting is scheduled for April 20th at 6:30p.m. Please make every effort to **SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES:** attend. Ladies bring your Bridges or Barriers booklets. These classes are intended to promote a heightened spiritual and social boost.

#### **Annual Ladies Lectureship Retreat**

Theme: Christian Women Living Courageously in a Spiritual Pandemic

Date: April 20-23, 2023 in Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **CONDOLENCES:**

Sis. Simpson's sister, Sarah Barnes passed away on Friday. Ross White, the uncle of Sis. Della White passed away last Monday. The son of the Pelt family of the 87th St. Church, Jermaine Pelt, was laid to rest last Friday. Sis. Laurene Cunningham has lost several family members over the past couple of the weeks.

### **TRAVELING:**

The Carters will be out of town this week. Several sisters will be traveling to Atlanta for the Ladies

Lectureship Retreat this Thursday through Sunday.

#### **FOR PRAYERS:**

School mate of Brooke Gamble, Maeve Bouton New guest, please be sure to complete a Welcome was recently diagnosed with brain cancer, Stacye Forrest, cousin of the Cunningham/Gamble Returning guest please print your name in the families is scheduled for surgery tomorrow, Sis Chaff's cousin, Toya House who suffered a brain aneurysm, has taken a turn for the worse. Sis. Denee Webster, Sis. Payne, Sis. Cossom & the Please send any *requests* and *announcements* to be Youngs, Sis. Linda Smith, wife of Bro. Ozell McGee, Sis. Ellis, the Brantfords, Sis. Glenda Carter, Bro & Sis. Strickland, Sis. Davis, and Bro. & Sis. Taylor.

Bro. Kristopher Strickland, Bro. Croom, Sis. Reba & Michelle Metevia, and Sisters Tillman and

Children's Bible Class taught by Sis. Whitney Taylor (lower level).

Young Adult Class taught by Bro. Taylor. (upper level)

Adult Bible Class - main auditorium

We are seeking volunteers for Sunday School teachers for kids. Please see Bro. Webster for more information.

#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

**BRO. TAYLOR** 

MON., APRIL 17TH

#### **ANNIVERSARIS THIS WEEK: NONE**

#### Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom 77 Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom) 37 Last Sunday offering \$3080.63 **Weekly Budget** \$2625.00