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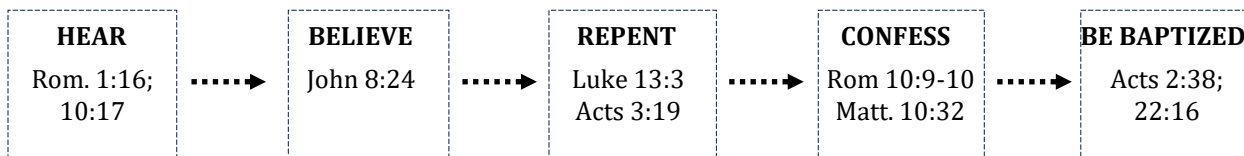
Sermon Notes



ORDER OF SERVICE

Song ~ Announcements ~ Song ~ Opening Prayer ~ Song ~ Scripture Reading ~ Song ~ Sermon ~ Song ~ Lord's Supper ~ Offering ~ Song ~ 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." **1John 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 located at the front on the communion table.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

Young Christians' Class10 a.m.
Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Worship Service11 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*

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

Mother, the Ultimate Multi-Tasker!

Why is there a need to single out a day to honor our mothers? Well, some of us, if not most, tend to forget the invaluable contribution she makes in our lives and the society. It is impossible to exhaust the reasons for a mother's importance in the home. She is the "hub" on which everything else turns. Due to the multifaceted roles she plays in the home, everyone should see her importance. Everyone in a home depends upon mother more than they could even image they do. Her influence is very great. Let's consider several things a mother is like and the many roles she assumes.

SHE IS LIKE A TEACHER. The right kind of mother teaches a son or daughter to stay away from alcohol, drugs, sexual immorality, the wrong kind of company. She teaches them to be forthright and honest, and how to know and walk with God. A lot of what we are is partly due in most instances to the right kind of teaching given by a good mother. She teaches the Word of God, the ways of God and the works of God.

SHE IS LIKE A NURSE. A mother looks after her children with diligent care. A mother is at the beckoning call of the children. She goes to the person she is taking care of at times even when she feels like she needs someone taking care of her. The good mother is a very unselfish person.

SHE IS LIKE A COUNSELOR. Some of the best advice a young person will ever receive is from a godly mother. Professional counselors are very expensive, but on the other hand, you can often get some of the best advice "free" from mother. Even though many of us have lost our mothers in death, we still hold on to those precious heart-to-heart counselling sessions we had with her.

SHE IS LIKE A FRIEND. Not many come close to being a better friend than a mother. She qualifies more to be a friend than most of those we "think" are our friends because of the consistency of her love. The Bible says, "A friend loveth at all times" (Prov.17:17). That sounds like a "real" mother to me!

SHE IS TO BE LIKE CHRIST. All will agree that the most caring, understanding and compassionate people in our society are our mothers. In fact, many people have been converted to Christ because of her concern for their souls. Wise is that mother who will pray and work so that her children can see Jesus in her actions, attitudes, and her accomplishments.

On behalf of the West Hammond Church of Christ, happy Mother's Day.

-Robert Webster

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDERS:

~Please silence your *cell phones*.



~No *eating* in the auditorium.

New guest, please be sure to complete a Welcome Card.

Returning guest please **print** your name in the Returning Guest Log in the foyer.

Prayer request cards are located in the foyer.

Please send any **requests** and **announcements** to be made or to be included in the bulletin to Sis. Ruthie Gamble at 708-336-3120.

There is a **suggestion box** in the foyer.

The **Ladies' and Men's Ministries** meet every other Thursday. The next meeting is scheduled for May 18th at 6:30p.m. Please make every effort to attend. Ladies bring your **Bridges or Barriers** booklets. These classes are intended to promote a heightened spiritual and social boost.

Annual Ladies Lectureship Retreat

The 37th Annual Retreat will take place next year, March 28-31, 2024 in Orlando, Florida.

The theme is **Christian Women: A Steadfast Extraordinary Journey**. Registration is now open.

Website: www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

CONDOLENCES:

Officer Are'anah Preston

Wake: Blake-Lamb Funeral Home
4727 W. 103rd Street, Oak Lawn, IL 60453
Tues., May 16th-9:00-12:30PM and 3-8PM

Funeral: Trinity United Church of Christ
400 W. 95th St., Chicago, IL 60628
Wed., May 17th-10:00AM

Toya House will have an internet funeral service on, Sat. May 20th. Details to come.

FOR PRAYERS:

Sis. Cossom and the Young families, the Chaff and House families, the Barnes & Harley-Simpson

families, Sis. Della White & family. Sis. Lennon & family. School mate of Brooke Gamble, Maeve Bouton. Stacey Forrest, the Hardys and the mother of Sis. Hardy. Sis. Denee Webster, Sis. Bria Gamble, Sis. Payne, Sis. Simmons, Sis. McGee, Sis. Ellis, the Brantfords, Sis. Glenda Carter, Bro & Sis. Strickland, Sis. Davis, and Bro. & Sis. Taylor. The Neal family.

FOR ENCOURAGEMENT:

Please continue to pray for and encourage our new members Sis. Carrie Ricks, Sis. Terry Armmer, Bro. Kristopher Strickland, Bro. Croom, Sis. Reba & Michelle Metevia, and Sisters Tillman and McLaurin.

SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES:

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

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

Adult Bible Class - taught by Bro. Webster (main auditorium)

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

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

BRO. COSSOM

MON, MAY 5TH

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK—NONE



Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom	67
Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom)	49
Last Sunday offering	\$2684.56
Weekly Budget	\$2625.00