# **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?

HEAR		BELIEVE		REPENT		CONFESS		BE BAPTIZED
Rom. 1:16; 10:17	••••	John 8:24	••••	Luke 13:3 Acts 3:19	••••	Rom 10:9-10 Matt. 10:32	≯	Acts 2:38; 22:16



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# **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

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# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES Sunday

Children's Sunday School ....10 a.m. Young Christians' Class .......10 a.m. Sun. Adult Bible Class......10 a.m. Worship Service ......11 a.m.

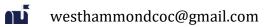
# Wednesday

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

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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 will 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 will 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**

# Free in the Spirit

Acts 4:12-22

"They were unschooled, ordinary men, . . . and they took note that these men had been

with Jesus. "- Acts 4:13

Neither Orville nor Wilbur Wright had a pilot's license. Neither had gone to college. They were bicycle mechanics with a dream and the courage to try to fly. On December 17, 1903, they took turns piloting their Wright Flyer on four separate flights. The longest lasted only a minute, but it changed our world forever.

Neither Peter nor John had a preaching license. Neither had gone to seminary. They were fishermen who, filled with the Spirit of Jesus, courageously proclaimed the good news: "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

The Wright brothers' neighbors didn't immediately appreciate their accomplishment. Their hometown newspaper didn't believe their story, and said that even if true, the flights were too brief to be significant. It took several more years of flying and refining their planes before the public recognized what they had truly done.

The religious leaders didn't like Peter and John, and they ordered them to stop telling others about Jesus. Peter said, No way. "We cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard" (v. 20).

You may not be on the approved list. Perhaps you're scorned by those who are. No matter. If you have the Spirit of Jesus, you're free to live boldly for Him!

By: Mike Wittmer (Our Daily Bread - July 8, 2023) - Submitted by Bro. Edward Davis

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **REMINDERS**:

~Please silence your *cell phones*.



~**No eating** in the auditorium.

Card.

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

A Suggestion Box and Prayer Request cards are SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES located in the foyer.

Contributions can be made electronically via Zelle Young Adult Class taught by Bro. Taylor. (upper (recommended) using the church's email- level) westhammondcoc@gmail.com.

made or to be included in the bulletin to Sis. Ruthie for kids. Please see Bro. Webster for more Gamble at 708-336-3120.

Please take a look at the sign-up sheet in the foyer and sign up to bring food for the upcoming picnic on Saturday, August 5th.

The Men's Class meet every other Thursday. The Today, 7/16 next meeting is scheduled for July 27th at Sis. Helen McGee 6:30p.m.

The Ladies' Class has been put on hold until further notice.

# **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

### **GIVE-AWAY DAY**

The church will have its first Give-Away Day Saturday, July 29th. Bring in things in good condition that you wish to part with. Volunteers needed to sort, etc.

# FOR PRAYERS

Sisters Lennon and Simmons are recuperating from surgery. Sisters Brantford and Cossom continue to undergo treatment for cancer. Sis. Glenda Carter and her friends Gloria & Mitch Harrington.

### FOR ENCOURAGEMENT

Please continue to pray for and encourage our new members Sis. Chambers, Bro. Andre Mendenhall, Sis. Tene Mendenhall, Sis. Blanche Mendenhall, New guests, please be sure to complete a Welcome Sis. Ricks, Sis. Armmer, Bro. Strickland, Bro. Croom, Sis. Reba & Michelle Metevia and Sisters

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

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

Please send any requests and announcements to be We need volunteers for Sunday School teachers information if you are interested.



#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**



Sis. Debra Ellis

Thurs., 7/20

#### NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

# THERE WILL BE A BIRTHDAY RECEPTION FOR BRO. & SIS. WEBSTER AFTER THE CLOSE OF WORSHIP TODAY.

#### SKILLS BANK

Remember to submit your information to be added to the skills bank and be diligent to do your verification for relevant licensing.

Sis. Webster ......Real Estate Agent Sis. Debra Woodard .......Financial Advisor Gambles ......Property Preservation & Custom Wood Work Décor/Signs (Home/Business)

#### Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship & Zoom 75 Wednesday Bible Class (Zoom) Last Sunday offering \$4212.11 Weekly Budget \$2,625.00