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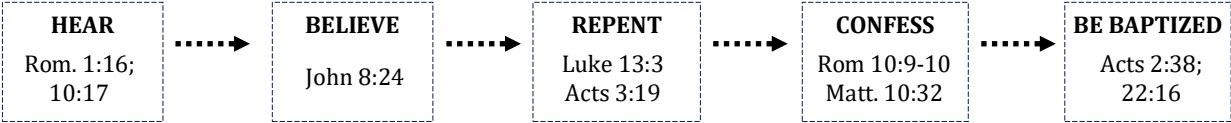
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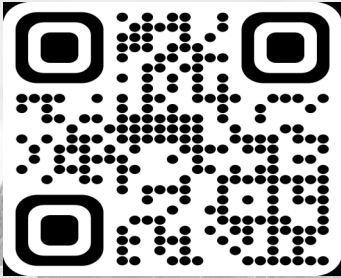
ORDER OF SERVICE

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." **1 John 1:5***

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WELCOME VISITING FRIENDS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sundays

Children's Sunday School10 a.m.
Sis. LaDonna Carter (lower level)
Young People's Class10 a.m.
Bro. Ej. Taylor (upper level)
New Christians' Class10 a.m.
Bro. Webster (upper level)
Sun. Adult Bible Class.....10 a.m.
Bro. Lightfoot (main auditorium)
Sunday A.M. Service11 a.m.
Sunday P.M. Service6 p.m.

Wednesdays

Bible Study (on Zoom)7 p.m.
Access through the website

Thursdays

Men's & Ladies' Classes6:30 p.m.

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 when it is being passed around.

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

The Implications of His Resurrection

The resurrection of Jesus Christ, symbolized by the empty tomb, stands as a pivotal event in history with deep implications for our understanding of God and life itself. It validates Jesus' identity and claims, affirming that He is not just a prophet or a teacher, but the Son of God. This act confirms His divinity and the truth of His message, establishing His authority.

Additionally, the resurrection secures our justification and forgiveness, as mentioned by Paul in Romans 4:25 where he says in regard to Christ, "*who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.*" Jesus' resurrection signifies God's acceptance of His sacrifice, granting us righteousness and freeing us from sin's guilt and condemnation. The power of the cross is magnified through the significance of the empty tomb.



Furthermore, the resurrection promises our future resurrection and eternal life. Jesus' victory over death ensures that those who belong to Him will also be raised to a new life, as highlighted in 1 Corinthians 15:20. This hope transcends the grave, and is anchored in the living Christ who has conquered death.

In the present, the resurrection empowers us, as God's people, to live transformed lives. The same Spirit that raised Jesus now dwells within us, providing divine power to overcome sin and live in accordance with God's will, as described in Romans 8:11. This transformation shapes our daily existence, allowing us to reflect on Christ's victory.

The resurrection also boosts our mission and hope for the world. Christ's victory offers a message of hope amidst fear and despair, demonstrating God's power over darkness. It calls us to be messengers of His victory, spreading the promise of reconciliation and new life to all who believe.

In summary, the implication of resurrection affects every aspect of our faith and life. It is the foundation of our hope, strength, and mission. Unlike the world that focuses on this event annually, we, as Christians, celebrate it every first day of the week by partaking of the communion as we have been commanded to do (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:23-26).

~Bro. R. Webster

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDERS

~Please silence your *phones*. 
~**No eating nor drinking** inside the auditorium.

New guests please complete A **Welcome Card**.
Returning guest, upon *each* visit, please **print** your name in the **Returning Guest Log** in the foyer.

A **Suggestion Box** and **Prayer Request** cards are located in the foyer.

Contributions can be made electronically via **Zelle** (*recommended*) using the church's email-
westhammondcc@gmail.com.

Contact the church's secretary at 219-742-9520 for any of the following:

- ◆ **Requests** or **announcements** to be made or to be included in the bulletin.

NEW CHRISTIANS' CLASS

Bro. Webster is teaching this class for all new Christians dating back to 2022.

OUR CONGREGATION'S EVANGELISM PROGRAM

Every member is encouraged to get involved in the evangelistic mission of the church. Following Jesus' example and teachings we, too, are expected to seek and save the lost. Luke 19:10

The **Men's Class** and **Ladies' Class** are on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Sunday evening worship service needs the support of our members. It starts at 6:00pm, and we endeavor to abide by Hebrews 10:25 "*not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together.*" Invite friends and families to attend.

NEW BIRTHS & MEMBERSHIP PLACEMENT

Continue to pray for and encourage all our new additions to the body of Christians who meet here at West Hammond Church of Christ.

CONDOLENCES

Denise Hicks, the sister of Bro. Darrell Hicks, passed away last Sunday. Information regarding funeral arrangements to come.

Continue to keep Sis. Doris Davis and the Hamilton family in prayers. Norman Hamilton, the brother of Sis. Doris Davis was funeralized on, April 12th.

The Melson family, relatives of Sis. Washington, recently lost their mother.

Johnny Bailey, the cousin of the Cunningham family was funeralized last Wednesday.

PRAYERS

The Zheng family, friend of Sis. Brooke Gamble, Sis. Martina Davis, daughter in law of Sis. Lightfoot, Janell & Jacob Thompson, the daughter and grandson of the Carters, Bro. Simmons, Bro. & Sis. Eddie Taylor & family, Bro. Lanz Cossom of Harvey CoC, Sis. Thigpen, the Mendenhall family, Levell Chaff, brother of Sis. Chaff, Sis. Simpson, Bro. Darrell Hicks, Sis. Elsie Gilliam of N.C, Sis. Lennon's mother who broke her leg, the Brantfords, the Goldmans, Sis. Brooke Gamble, Sis. Lightfoot, Sis. Ellis, Sis. Angelice Cunningham, Bro & Sis. Arthur Davis, Sis. Laurene Cunningham, Quince Dixon, and Vera Johnson, (re-admitted) who are the sisters of Sis. Laurene Cunningham, all facing some serious health issues.

NO BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

This position has become vacant and we are in need of volunteers. In the interim, let Bro. Webster know if you or anyone you invite to church needs a ride.

CONGRATULATIONS

Sis. Paige Richardson has been inducted into the National Honor Society. Sis. Akeelah Webster has made the Honor Roll for the 3rd quarter at H-F High School.

ANNUAL LADIES LECTURESHIP RETREAT

The 39th annual retreat will be held, April 2-5, 2026 in Houston, TX. The theme is: **Saddle Up Your Faith**

Website: www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

See Sis. Webster for group information

Information about scholarships, awards and registration is on the notice board in the foyer.

Last Week's Record

Sunday AM Worship	83
Sunday PM Worship	19
Wednesday Bible Class	40
Last Sunday's Offering	\$8,628.00
Weekly Budget	\$4,069.13