



CHAPMAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
250 COUNTY ROAD 550
RIPLEY, MS 38663

June 14, 2020 ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements
Jarvene Shackelford

Song Leader
Brad McAlister

Opening Prayer
Jodie Criswell (A.M.)

Closing Prayer
Mason McAlister (A.M.)

Count and Usher
Larry Wood, Terry Chapman

Prepare Communion
Robin Chapman/ Molly Moore

OUR RECORD

June 7, 2020

Sunday Bible Study: NO SERVICE

Sunday Morning Worship: 113

Sunday Evening Worship: NO SERVICE

Wednesday Night Bible Study: NO SERVICE

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$4,004

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).

THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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DEACONS: Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless,
Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood

PREACHER: Mark Lindley

WE'RE BACK

James Pilgrim

Several weeks ago, the entire world was shocked with the news of a deadly disease, which would infect multiplied thousands, and would cause death in mammoth numbers. Over one-hundred thousand are said to have died with this disease. People were asked to quarantine themselves. Many businesses were asked to close temporarily. Churches were asked not to meet in numbers exceeding ten (10). All were asked to observe social distances of some six (6) feet. People were asked to wash their hands for twenty (20) seconds frequently. The government was not attempting to shut down businesses, social gatherings, or even churches with these actions. They were trying to slow this deadly disease down, even to the point of stopping it..

Had the government or any other entity tried to destroy the church, the church would have continued to assemble, answering as did those of Acts 5:29, "We ought to obey God rather than men."

The elders of this church showed wisdom in asking "the flock of God" (1 Peter 5:2) "over the which" they serve as "overseers" (Acts 20:28) to worship via Facebook, worshipping "stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in the breaking of bread, and in prayers" (Acts 2:42), "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts unto the Lord." (Ephesians 5:19). This was done joyfully by all who had the capability to do so, looking forward to the day when all would be able to assemble again. Those who did not have these connections had their own services. The elders made the bread and fruit of the vine available to all. Some chose to make their own. Various men capably taught Bible classes via Zoom on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Those who attended churches without these capabilities were encouraged to go to sites where they could worship.

Although the Coronavirus, also called Covid 19, is not fully over, it is believed that it is safe to meet again, using government precautions regarding social distances, cleanliness, sanitary measures, and such like, which the elders have asked each one to do.

Borrowing a line from a famous movie by a well-known actor, and with slight changes, “weeee’re baaaack.” While the decision of the elders was fully supported, it IS GREAT TO BE BACK.

There is great rejoicing on coming together because it is believed that things seem to be getting better. Hopefully and prayerfully, this thing will soon be extinct, or at least a cure to stem it will be found.

There is great rejoicing in being together because we are able to teach and admonish one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts unto the Lord. (Colossians 3:16).

There is great rejoicing in coming together to enjoy the precious fellowship afforded those in Christ. Some of that was shown by Christians praying for one another, checking on one another during these trying times. John’s statement to the elect lady and her children, “I trust to come unto you, and speak face to face, that our joy may be full,” (2 John 1, 12) was truly felt by each child of God when we first came back together. One can hardly wait for the time when we can hug one another and shake hands. One looks to the future with great anticipation.

There is great rejoicing in being able to observe the Lord’s Supper in one assembly. (Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34).

There is great rejoicing in being able to see as well as hear our beloved preacher unfold the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ. His knowledge and abilities make us proud that he stands in the pulpit here. Continue to pray for this family.

So many other things could be said, but space forbids. There is, however, great rejoicing over the hope (desire, expectation) of eternal life, which God who cannot lie (Titus 1:2) promised the faithful. (2 Peter 1:10, 11; 2 Corinthians 5:1-10).

Yes, wweeee’re baaaack. Let’s be stronger and more committed than before.

Home Is Where The Heart Is By Ed Wittlif

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth...but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Matthew 6:19-21).

One thing that stands out as I read God’s word is that this world which is so real to me isn’t real at all. Paul pictures our physical bodies as tents and our real body will be obtained in heaven, a body fit to house our spirit throughout eternity. (II Corinthians 5:1-2).

There is a better place than this world. The roll call of great people of faith seeking that heavenly country is found in Hebrews 11. Their attitude was that they were strangers here. Their treasures were laid up in heaven.

We need to learn to live like pilgrims in this world. We are only passing through and there is a home, a country so superior waiting for us. If God is all that is in heaven, then that is enough. The word pictures in the scriptures tell us that heaven will be awesome.

Therefore, don’t put down roots here. Don’t settle in and get comfortable here. Don’t put your desires here and do not put your treasures in this place. This world is only temporary, a shadowland as it were. There is no security here. In Matthew 6:19-21 Jesus reminds us our treasures entrusted on the earth can be destroyed or stolen. But what we lay up in heaven cannot be destroyed or stolen.

We have to examine our hearts daily and decide to keep our eyes focused on the path leading to heaven.

June 14th Sunday Worship Service Only at 10:30.

Service Guidelines

- Only one service at this time.
- Please follow CDC guidelines if you plan to attend.
- No inside gatherings, please be seated when enter auditorium (social distance).
- Request but not mandatory – wear mask if possible.
- Make sure wash hands/use sanitizer.
- Families sit together - sit in every other pew.
- Communion kits/contribution box will be available as you enter the auditorium.
- At end of service – leave building one pew at a time.

PLEASE DO NOT COME IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OR AT HIGH RISK.

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Remember to count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

•**MILITARY:** James B Chapman
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•**HOSPITAL:** Amy May

•**SURGERY:** Dala Vandygriff

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Johnny Cissom, Buffie Moore, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Marie Brumley, Jimmy Hopper, Keith Hall, Hermie Henry (Bonnie Hurt’s Mother), Kay Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Sandra Jones, Betty Faye Ledbury, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: **Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter, Patricia Waide** (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), **Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: Christine Chapman, Earnestine Murphy** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).