August 23, 2020

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements Larry Wood

Song Leader Chris Moore

Scripture Reading John Hopper

Opening Prayer Reed Shackelford (A.M.) Brad McAlister (P.M.)

Closing Prayer Tommy Wade (A.M.) Logan Yancey(P.M.)

Count and Usher Randell Koon & Brock Lindley

> **Communion** John Hopper

Pick Up Communion when entering

OUR RECORD

August 16, 2020 Sunday Bible Study: NO SERVICE Sunday Morning Worship: 96 Sunday Evening Worship: NO SERVICE Wednesday Night Bible Study: 71 Budget: \$3,500 Contribution this week: NA

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THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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ELDERS: Terry Chapman, Brad McAlister, Jarvene Shackelford, Tommy Wade DEACONS: Bryan Davis, John Hopper, Rickey Loveless, Chris Moore, Kevin Shackelford, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood PREACHER: Mark Lindley

GREAT ENCOURAGEMENT James Pilgrim

Christians at Chapman have so much for which to be thankful and encouraged. The church has an active eldership. They are not elders in name only. They have had to make some heart-wrenching decisions lately, and have made them wisely. Too, the elders recently asked Brad McAllister, to serve with them as an elder. Stephanie will be a good elder's wife, and the boys will be a compliment to them. Brad has been an active member for a long time. He will join the other elders in feeding and watching for the souls at Chapman. (Acts 20:28). Pray for them.

Also, three (3) brethren were appointed deacons at the request of the eldership.

These are good men with good families. John Hopper (Candace, John Luke, Maizey), Chris Moore (Molly, Chap, Lottie), and Kevin Shackelford (Brande, Ross, Reed, Ella) joined the four (4) other deacons. These brethren have good wives and children as well. The Chapman Church should be thankful for the deacons who have served, and look forward to the service the new group will render as they work with them under and assist the eldership. (1 Timothy 3:8-13).

Another occasion for rejoicing, encouragement, and thankfulness is the faithfulness of the beloved preacher, Mark Lindley. His classes and sermons are true to the book. Mark does not speculate when it comes to truth. He gives book, chapter, and verse, so that all may search the scriptures to see that the things he teaches are God's word. 2 Timothy 4:2; Acts 17:10-12). It is no wonder that the elders have kept him for some twenty (20) years, and have no plans of making any changes. This writer has heard nothing but good about this good family from

members everywhere. In fact, our beloved brother, Jodie Criswell, called to check on the writer and his wife, and made nothing but positive comments about Mark just as this article was beginning.

Members at Chapman are ready and anxious to be good neighbors. The writer forgot to put his mask on Wednesday night. He turned around to go get it, but suddenly remembered that he had locked the door, and his keys were inside. He was going to climb over a six (6) foot fence. As he was about to cross, he looked up and saw Bobby Bridges crossing on the other side. Bobby asked if the dogs would bite. He was told, "I don't know." Bobby said, "You don't know", and jumped to the ground, opened the back door, and opened the front door. It is believed that Bryan Davis helped him over. Problem solved by good neighbors.

Additionally, a dear friend of the late and beloved Barrett Chapman, an elder of the Chapman Church until his death, told this writer how much he missed him. He also stated that Bobbie was such a good person, and that he had much respect for her. The wording and tone of his voice showed that these two (2) made a deep and lasting impression on him. Their lights shined, and

the Lord and His Church were recipients of their good influences.

Only Jesus was sinless. (1 Peter 2:22). However, every Christian can be an example. (1 Peter 2:21). "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice." (Philippians 4:4).

Every Man's Book

The Bible is every man's book. To know the Bible and to handle it correctly is one of the greatest accomplishments within the reach of any person.

One may know English, astronomy, literature, music, sociology, and philosophy, but if one does not know the Bible, one has failed in the only subject that brings all things into the proper relationship and enables one to know life at its best. The best evidence of the inspiration of the Bible is found between its covers. No one will ever be a useful Christian without being a student of the Bible. Matthew Henry said, "The Scriptures were not written to make us astronomers, but to make us saints."

The Bible is not intended solely for some special group. It is every man's book; it was written for the average person. Scholars may study it, but it is not written for scholars. No one ever outgrows the Scriptures. The more one studies them, the wider and deeper they become. The Bible enables every reader to look into eternity. It is no wonder that Paul urged Timothy to study the Scripture, "rightly dividing [handling aright] the word of truth," so he might be an approved workman before God (2 Timothy 2:15). The Bible acknowledges man's faults; it is patient with man's weaknesses; it is honest with his virtues and his hopes. To own the Bible is to be rich. To study, to know, and to trust the Bible is to find life. To study the Bible is to be wise; to obey it, to be strong. — *Franklin Camp*

Ten Facts About the Church of Christ By House to House Heart to Heart

- 1. We read of it in the New Testament (Romans 16:16).
- 2. It exalts Christ as the only head of the church (Ephesians 1:22).
- It has no creed but Christ and binds no name on its members but the divine name, Christian (Acts 11:26).
- 4. It speaks where the Bible speaks and is silent where the Bible is silent (1 Peter 4:11).
- It pleads for the unity of all believers in Christ (John 17:20– 21; 1 Corinthians 1:10).
- It is not a denomination, nor a group of denominations, but simply the body of Christ (Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18).
- 7. Its founder is Christ Himself (Matthew 16:18).
- 8. Its aim is to save souls by gospel preaching (Romans 1:16).
- 9. Its worship is patterned after the New Testament (John 4:24).
- 10. It teaches that scriptural unity can be attained on all disputed doctrinal questions (1 Corinthians 1:10).

CHAPMAN SERVICES

Sunday morning will remain at 10:30 with Worship Service only

> Wednesday Night Services at 7 PM No Children Bible Classes

All Services will be in auditorium and outside.

PLEASE DO <u>NOT</u> COME IF YOU HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OR AT HIGH RISK.

Sermons available on Facebook and YouTube.

Zoom Bible Study: Check Facebook for updates and Zoom Meeting Information.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

•SICK SUNDAY: Chance Criswell, Jane Morrison, Karly Yancey

•HOSPITAL: Romia Palmer (Tupelo/Rehab), Barry Crawford (Corinth), Keith Foster (Tupelo)

•SURGERY:

Shirley Simmons (heart, Shawna Jones' Mother)

•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, Betty Faye Ledbury, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Niani Colom-Omotesa

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