

**November 18, 2018**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**

Kevin Shackelford

**Song Leader**

Keith Newby

**Scripture Reading**

Bobby Bridges

**Opening Prayer**

Jarvene Shackelford (A.M.) Eli Carter (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Tommy Wade (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

Danny Shackelford (Presiding),

Rickey Cissom, Johnny Cissom, Logan Yancey

**Count and Usher**

Michiel Criswell & Ricky Loveless

**Prepare Communion**

Connie Davis & Bryanna Gaillard

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Ross Shackelford (11/21/18)



# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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Joel Moore, Jarvene Shackelford,  
Tommy Wade  
**DEACONS:** Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless,  
Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood  
**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

## WHAT SHOULD A CHURCH BE CALLED?

Mark Lindley

“Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you” (Romans 16:16). These words of Romans 16:16 show that the apostle Paul believed churches should be called what they were. He referred to congregations of the church of Christ as “churches of Christ.” Each of the congregations Paul had in mind was an individual “church of Christ.” There was a church at Jerusalem (Acts 8:1); another at Antioch (Acts 13:1), and various other places. Each of these congregations was a part of the same church: the church of Christ.

The term “church of Christ” refers to the church that Jesus promised to build (Matthew 16:18), and, in fact, did build (Acts 2:47).

He also died for His church (Ephesians 5:25), and is the Savior of it (Ephesians 5:23). This church is identified in scripture by various terms: “body of Christ” (I Corinthians 12:27), “church of God” (I Corinthians 1:2), “the church” (Acts 8:3), and other terms. Each of these terms refers to the one church of the New Testament, the church of Christ (Ephesians 4:4 + 1:22-23).

It is interesting today that there are many churches wearing names not found in the Bible. Since the names of these churches cannot be found in the Bible, it must be that the names they wear did not originate with God, but with men. When someone mentions that a church’s name is not found in the Bible, it is not uncommon for a member of that church to say: “Well, we are the church of Christ too.”

But think for a moment. If a church “is” a church of Christ, should it not be called a “church of Christ,” or by some other scriptural designation? When Paul referred to various congregations, he referred to them as “churches of Christ.” So, it seems, a church of Christ would gladly wear that designation.

We call some places of business, “Walmart.” Some places of business may sell some of the same products that are sold by Walmart, but we do not refer to Dollar General as Walmart. In other words, we call a store what it is. It makes sense, therefore, that we could call a church what it is.

If a church “is” a church of Christ, why would that church not want to be identified as the “church of Christ”? Why wear denominational, man-made names which cause division and religious confusion?

A church should be called what it is. If it “is” a church of Christ, it should be called a “church of Christ.” “Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you” (Romans 16:16).

## OUR RECORD

### November 11, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 115

Sunday Morning Worship: 124

Sunday Evening Worship: 94

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 106

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,512

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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).

## What Time Is It? Dan Jenkins

Imagine a situation where you were annually given half a million dollars. You were told to invest it wisely, and the profit from how you invested it each year would all be yours. How much time would you devote, knowing that in the next decade you would be investing over \$52,000,000?

This would never happen—right? Well, there is a parallel that happens every year. We know there are twenty-four hours in a day (with each of them having sixty minutes in it) and 365 days in a year. Every year we make a conscious decision about how we will invest the 525,600 minutes given to us. How are you using these precious minutes? What investment are you making?

Should there be any surprise that God speaks about using our time wisely? Perhaps the clearest statement of this truth is found twice in the Bible. Paul specifically told two churches, “Redeeming the time” (Eph. 5:16; Col. 4:5). As we think about how this applies to our lives, we should soberly look at the minutes/hours we give to God.

Think about how little time we spend in worship and adoration of God. If the only time we do this is that hour between 10:00 a.m. and 11:19 a.m. each Sunday morning, add it all together and the total time invested in praising God each year would be 4,108 minutes.

Each of us has been give 525,600 minutes each week, but we foolishly invest about 4,000 of them in His presence and devote over 520,000 on ourselves. If you change these numbers to dollars instead of minutes, you would readily see that you are not making wise investments. He said, “Redeem the time.”

Now I recognize that many of those other minutes are committed to work, rest and nutrition, but still the numbers are staggering. I also know that you could add to the smaller number those minutes spent in private devotions, reading and meditating on His word, but for far too many Christians, this never happens. Remember that God told us, “Redeeming the time.”

How do we do this more effectively? First, recognize that we have wasted hundreds of thousands of minutes in the past. Those minutes are history. We are writing the future as we think about how wisely we use the fifty million minutes we can receive the next decade. I know we are far too busy. However, we might consider that when we say, “I did not have the time to do this,” we are giving an excuse and not a reason.

Having recognized our misuse of time, we then must make specific changes in our lifestyles. It may be we are overlooking opportunities around us to use our time more wisely.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Thanks to everyone who bought items for the Pine Vale Children's Home Fall Food Drive.*

Thanks to everyone who helped with the CHAPMAN HOLIDAY BASKETS.

We made and delivered 48 baskets.

Please join us for  
A Baby Shower in Honor of

JORDAN & KELSEY STAGGS

Sunday, November 18th  
3:30 to 4:30PM  
Chapman Church of Christ Fellowship Hall

It's a Girl! - Sophie Mae

Colors: Light Pink & Mint  
Registered: Walmart

### PROGRAMS OF WORK

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:** Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Lana Waldon.

•**HOME:** Ross Shackelford, Patricia Waide, Becky Mauney, Jimmy Berryman, Tate & Martha Presley, Janice Thomas

•**RECOVERY:** Doris Williford (Hip), Pat Shackelford, Amber Harrell

•**HOSPITAL:** Kerry Trimble (Nashville, TN), Holly Cornelius

•**SURGERY:** Jamison Staggs, Rhonda Horton

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Joanie Kate Reese, Carlin Johnson, Mitch Lewellen, Faye Jenkins, Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Tony Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGaughy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith, Roxieann Foster, Rhonda Horton, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Danny Yancey, Diane Hodges, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

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