

**November 27, 2016
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Announcements

Palmer Jones

Song Leader

Johnny Cissom

Scripture Reading

Chase Chapman

Opening Prayer

Barrett Chapman (A.M.) Britt Lindley (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Chris Moore (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Michiel Criswell (Presiding),

Jack Harris, Brock Lindley, Joel Moore

Count and Usher

Ricky Cissom, Rickey Loveless

Prepare Communion

Rita Smith & Lauren Carter

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Ross Shackelford (11/30//2016)

OUR RECORD

November 20, 2016

Sunday Bible Study: 120

Sunday Morning Worship: 142

Sunday Evening Worship: 97

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 110

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,455

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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).

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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

Dumb Idols & Foolish Men Tim Dooley

In Psalm 115 the psalmist is rightly critical of those who put their trust in man made idols. He says that men have created, by the works of their own hands, gods of silver and gold. They have mouths, but they do not speak. They have eyes, but they do not see. They have ears, but they do not hear. They have noses, but they do not smell. They have hands, but they can not handle anything with them. They have feet, but they do not walk.

He goes on to say that those who make them are like them; so is everyone who trusts in them. In other words, the idols are dumb gods and those who trust in them are foolish men.

Most people may not have a dumb Brady Idol, but they do put other idols first in their life.

Many people do the same thing today with modern idolatry, be it television, sports, hobbies, work, or wealth. There is nothing intrinsically wrong with these things but when we put them above the one true and living God we create an idol. When we do so we are as "dumb" as the idols we worship. Don't think it is true? What do you put first in your life? Where are your priorities? When the church meets to study, worship, fellowship, and serve where is your mouth, your eyes, your ears, your hands, and your feet? Be honest!

The one true and living God is a true shield in whom we can place all our trust. He speaks, sees, hears, smells, handles, and walks. And we can too when we bless Him, glorify Him, serve Him, worship Him, and put Him first in our lives. He then blesses us...nothing else can! Be faithful!

Purchased People Are Peculiar—Are You?

Dan Jenkins

I remember when I was a child hearing Christians misuse the King James rendering of Peter's words in 1 Peter 2:9. "You are a peculiar people." Whenever there was a social misfit or a person "whose eyeballs don't line up with the holes in his head," someone would say, "Well the Bible says we are to be peculiar, and he is the "peculiarest" person I have ever known." They failed to understand that in 1611, when the translation was made, the word "peculiar" was used to describe those who have been purchased. However, Christians actually are different.

Coins do not purchase Christians, the blood of Christ does.

Christians are different in how they treat other Christians. Early in the second century, a Roman official described Christians and ended his description by saying, "But oh how they love each other." We do. Each week when services end, I marvel at just how many stand for such a long time to visit with their brethren. The building is filled with love. So many times this has been expressed to me about the love you have for fellow Christians.

Christians are different in how they care for each other. We send cards to each other.

We pray for each other, and this is seen so often in posts on Facebook when so many say to a hurting Christian, "I am praying for you." We encourage each other. We exhort each other. We lift up when there is adversity in our lives. We care for others because He cares.

Christians are different in the moral values which rule our lives. I recall a Christian whose boss told him to lie as to whether he was in the office. The Christian refused and said, "I will not tell a lie. You need to know that if I will lie for you, I will lie to you." Our world is filled with liars, but Christians are different. We cannot seem to forget those closing words of Revelation 21:8. Our values are so different!

Christians are different in our views about marriage. We enter marriage with a view of the lifetime commitment to our mates. Even in the struggles which come in marriage, we rarely even think about the "D word"—it is not in our vocabulary. We have not bought into the world's view of same-sex "marriage" because He who created marriage retains the right to define it!

Christians are different in how we are entertained. We do not spend time like others who "rejoice in iniquity" (1 Cor. 13:6) nor do we find pleasure in seeing the world's ungodliness (Rom. 1:32). The choices we make about recreation are not the same choices our friends make.

Let's face it—Christians are different. Because of this it might pay you to see if your salt and light are salt without savor or lights hidden from the world. If your friends do not see you as "peculiar," you might should make some changes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pine Vale Christmas Child
Girl - 10 years old

December 10th **Pine Vale Holiday Party**

Foot Street Church of Christ at 11 AM
Bring a dish.(Potluck Luncheon)
We already have proceeds for her gifts.
Please make plans to attend this special event for Pine Vale.

If you plan on going please let Karen Yancey know.
They need to know how many tables to prepare.

CHAPMAN LADIES BIBLE CLASS
Will not meet November and December.

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 John Lewellen.

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Dawn Stroupe, Juan Stroupe, Tavin Fitzgerald

•**HOSPICE:** Grady Chandler (Mickey's Father)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY(Home) :** Margie Hurt

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Trevor Shinall, Dawn Jackson's Nephew- 8 yrs. Old (leukemia) Cards may be sent to 507 Cumberland Place, Oxford, MS 38655.

Sandra Hopper, Courtney Cissom, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ed James Pannell, Connie Mauney, Genice Collette (Mildred Shackelford's Sister), Tony Morrison, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Fagin and Johnnie Carpenter, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Lyle Bullock, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Wayne Crabb, Lester Wommack, Grady Chandler, Doug Pannell, Don Allen Riggs (19, student at FU from El Paso, TX), has stage 3 cancer. Cards may be sent to Target House 1, 1811 Poplar Ave, Apt. 211, Memphis, TN 38104), Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Rodney Hilliard, Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Jennifer Pannell (Niece of Sharon Pannell), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno, Ruth Greer, Margie James.

•**SHUT-INS: Resthaven:** Oleta Phillips (*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*).