

Oliver Church of Christ

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:00 AM
Worship 10:00 AM
Worship 5:00 PM

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:30 PM

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Christ, the Light of the World

The Lord spoke a very profound truth when He said, "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12). Light provides two great needs to humanity. First, light enables people to see objects already in existence. Second, light provides people with guidance in the dark. Spiritually, Christ fulfills both of these needs. Jesus enables us to see things as they really are, and He provides illumination in a world of darkness.

What spiritual truths will Jesus (as the light) enable us to see? First, Christ allows us to see God. Jesus said, "He that has seen me has seen the Father" (John 14:9). When we look at the life and teachings of Christ, we come to a full knowledge of God.

Second, Christ enables us to see men as they really are. Christ knows all men (John 2:24) and knows what is in men (John 2:25). Christ makes it clear that the real life is not the physical life but the spiritual. He stated that man shall not live by "bread alone" (Matthew 4:4) and that all a man might possess is not worth as much as his soul (Matthew 16:26).

Third, Christ enables mankind to see what separates God and man. Christ explicitly said, "men loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19). Jesus declared that He came to earth to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). This correlates with what Paul meant when he wrote: "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23).

The guidance which Christ provides gives people the ability to make it through the trials and tribulations of life. Human beings do not know how to live (Proverbs 14:12), and they need divine guidance or light to show them God's ways and direction.

In this world of sin and darkness, we can thank God that He has provided Jesus, His Son, as the light of the world. We come in contact with the light when we come to believe in Christ as the Son of God, repent of our sins, confess our faith in Christ, and are baptized into Christ. Having done this, we then must walk in the light (1 John 1:7).

May we all come to know Jesus as the light and live in Him.

David O'Connell

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 6, 2024

Announcements Daniel Ridinger
Song Leader David Wilbanks
Opening Prayer (AM) Allen Goode
Closing Prayer (AM) Jeff Trousdale
Opening Prayer (PM) Wade Stinnett
Closing Prayer (PM) Randy Pyle
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Billy Leone

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Tommy Parker
Communion Prep Eula Goode

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 9, 2024

Song Leader David Wilbanks
Scripture Reading Wayne Birdwell
Opening Prayer Allen Goode
Invitation Daniel Ridinger
Announcements Max Chandler
Closing Prayer Tommy Parker

WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 13, 2024

Announcements Max Chandler
Song Leader Randy Pyle
Opening Prayer (AM) Larry Turpen
Closing Prayer (AM) Daniel Ridinger
Opening Prayer (PM) Allen Goode
Closing Prayer (PM) Tommy Parker
Usher Raymond Sandlin

Lord's Table

Preside AM & PM Jeff Trousdale

Audio Lonnie Butler
Building Security Tommy Parker
Communion Prep Eula Goode

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 16, 2024

Song Leader Daniel Ridinger
Scripture Reading Tommy Parker
Opening Prayer Wade Stinnett
Invitation Randy Pyle
Announcements Billy Leone
Closing Prayer Allen Goode

From My Heart to Your Heart

At last Wednesday's Men's Business Meeting, it was decided that Oliver would send \$10,000 to Churches of Christ Disaster Relief in Nashville for the victims of Hurricane Helene. If you would like to send an additional contribution, the address is: Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort, P.O. Box 111180, Nashville, TN 37222-1180.

Gene Britnell is still in serious condition and needs our prayers. He is in NAMC. Chuck Moore had a heart test on Tuesday. Generally, he received a good report, but he has some blockage in his carotid artery. He will be wearing a heart monitor until the end of October. We have been asked to pray for Linda Huckabee, who is a former member at Oliver. She is in the fourth stage of cancer.

We were glad to see Linda Bryan at church last Sunday. We need to keep little Harrison Bobo, the newborn great-grandson of Randy and Glenda Pyle, in our prayers. He is in Vanderbilt Hospital with multiple problems.

Tommy Butler is waiting to hear results from his latest treatments. Please remember to keep Tony Davis, the father of Chase Davis, in your prayers as he recovers from surgery. We have been asked to pray for Billy Barnes, who has cancer. He was Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law.

Daniel Ridinger is now making monthly trips for his treatments at M.D. Anderson in Houston. Anne is still recovering. Marilyn Patterson has concluded her rehab and is recovering at home.

Randy and Glenda Pyle are helping with his mother at least once a month. James Robbins is continuing to have trouble with his feet and has other health issues. Brother Bill Brazier is in very serious condition and needs your prayers. Julie Fretwell is recovering from surgery, but she has an additional spot near her heart and lung that will need radiation. We have been asked to pray for Calvin Gifford, who is the son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss. Becky Clanton is still dealing with congestive heart failure at home. Tracie Trousdale's father, Bill Corum, is not doing well at this time.

We want to be praying for Daniel McClellan's mother, Sylvia. Also, please pray for Kathryn Miller's brother-in-law, William (Bill) Miller, as he undergoes chemotherapy. Wade Stinnett's cousin, Mike Stinnett, also needs your prayers. Annie Sandlin's sister, Diane Ridgeway, has serious medical problems and needs our prayers. Please continue to pray for those who are fighting cancer: Jennifer Allison, Billy Barnes, Gene Britnell, Tommy Butler, Pam Dahlstrom, Julie Fretwell, Calvin Gifford, Rene Griffin, Ken and Beth Hawkins, Linda Huckabee, Bill Miller, John O'Neill, and Jerry Page.

The Cedar Grove congregation will be having their Homecoming and Gospel Meeting on October 6-9. Details are on the bulletin board.

David O'Connell

In Search of the Lord's Way - Fox 54 Sunday Mornings at 7:30 AM

OUR RECORD



Sunday	Sept 29, 2024
Bible Study	39
Worship AM	58
Worship PM	40
Contribution	\$2145
Weekly Budget	\$2300
Wednesday	Oct 2, 2024
Bible Study	31

"According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue."

II Peter 1:3

October

Happy Birthday!

- 3 Melba O'Connell
- 5 Marilyn Patterson
- 5 Wayne Birdwell
- 6 Chuck Moore
- 16 Billy Leone
- 23 Tracie Trousdale
- 30 Lonnie Butler

In Our Prayers

Oliver Members: Linda Bryan, Tommy & Enid Butler, Marsha Chandler, Becky Clanton, Lella Mae Hamilton, Keith Hunt, Chuck Moore, Kathryn Miller, Marilyn Patterson, Sandra Porter, Daniel and Anne Ridinger, James Robbins, Ray Sandlin, Hazel Wilbanks, Patsy Wilbanks.

Family and Friends: Jennifer Allison (Hazel's niece's daughter), Billy Barnes (relative of Kathryn Miller), Jonna Dean Barrier, Glenda Bohanan, Melba's aunt, Harrison Bobo (great-grandson of Randy & Glenda), Bill Brazier, Gene Britnell, Aiden Bryan (Glenda Pyle's great nephew), Charles Butler, Amy Chandler (Max & Marsha's daughter-in-law), Rex Chandler (Max & Marsha's nephew), Tim & Sherri Clutts, Eugene Coco (Chuck Moore's friend), Rick Crill, Bill Corum (Tracie Trousdale's father), Pam Dahlstrom & Faith Reed, Tony Davis (Chase Davis's father), Julie Fretwell, Willodyne Gibbons, Calvin Gifford (son-in-law of Jackie Miller Poss), Paula Gilliam (Hazel Wilbanks' niece), Belle Graham (Patricia Moore's mother), Vincent Graham (Patricia's nephew), Faye Pettus Hale (Annie Sandlin's cousin), Danonda Hardeman, Ken and Beth Hawkins (uncle & aunt of Chuck), Martha Hawkins, Earline Hinton (Nelda Hinton's mother), Linda Huckabee, Robert Huffaker, Sylvia McClellan, Bill Miller, Contessa Moore (Chuck's sister), Sean Mosley (Chuck's cousin), Jimmy Moss (uncle of Annie Sandlin), John O'Neill, Jerry Page, Vera Pyle, Diane Ridgeway (Annie Sandlin's sister), Mike Stinnett, Kim Sztanyo, Neal Trousdale.

The Gospel of Christ - Fox 54 (Direct TV) Sunday Mornings at 7:00 AM