

December 5, 2021

Olney Church of Christ

220 North Van Street
P.O. Box 683
Olney, IL 62450
217-218-0803
www.olneychurchofchrist.org

Services

Sunday

Bible Study	9:30 am
A.M. Worship	10:20 am
P.M. Worship	2:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Class	7:00 pm
-------------	---------

Elders: Mike Gerber, Travis Hall

Deacons: John Frost, Dave Goff,
Roger Sholders

Visitors are welcome

We offer Bible classes for all ages

We also offer in-home Bible studies

We have Bible lessons on the radio
(92.9 FM) Sundays from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

“Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ”

2 Peter 3:18: *But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.*

While **2 Peter 3:18** exhorts Christians to spiritually grow, it also contains some key words about the Son of God, whose instruction provides the basis for our growth. In this verse, He is referred to as Lord, Savior, Jesus, and Christ.

As our *Lord*, Jesus has the authority to direct our lives. The Father “***gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body***” (Eph. 1:22-23). Our Lord is our Lawgiver who, as the Father commanded, must be listened to and heeded (**Matt. 17:5**). He is the One who has the right to establish doctrine for the church, as He has done and revealed through His Word.

Those who respect and submit to Jesus’ Lordship can lean confidently on His strength. **Revelation 17:14** shows the superiority of Jesus’ Lordship as compared with earthly

“Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ”

(Continued)

“lords,” especially those who persecute His subjects. Jesus is the **“Lord of lords, and King of kings”** who assures victory for the righteous.

As our *Savior*, God the Son allows us to be rescued *from* sin (**Matt. 1:21**) and from the consequences of sin. **Romans 5:9** speaks about the faithful being **“saved from God’s wrath through [Christ].”** Though mankind can identify many problems, the greatest problem any of us have ever faced is sin. The wages sin earns is eternal death in hell (**Rom. 6:23**). The debt owed to be rescued from sin was too high for any of us to pay, but Jesus’ blood was a sufficient ransom price that allows us the opportunity to be rescued.

The name *Jesus* is also connected to His role as our Savior. The name means “Jehovah is salvation.” Jesus was given this name because, as the angel told Joseph in **Matthew 1:21**, **“it is he who shall save his people from their sins.”**

The final title ascribed to our Savior in **2 Peter 3:18** is *Christ*. The term Christ (or Messiah) means “Anointed,” and alludes to Christ’s rule. It also relates to His fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies. In **Luke 24:44**, Jesus said to His disciples, **“This is what I told you, while I was still with you, that all things which are written in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms, concerning me must be fulfilled.”** Jesus is the Messiah (Christ) of Old Testament prophecy, who the Jews of His day were looking for (cf. **John 1:41**).

These four words are among those frequently used to refer to God the Son. As simple as these words may seem on the surface, they have great significance when we consider what they tell us about the Son of God. There’s a lot of depth in the words **“our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”**

-Michael Hickox

God's Plan for Saving Man

God's Grace	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian's Work	James 2:24
Christian's Hope	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance	Revelation 2:10

+++++

Words to Consider

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.” – Ephesians 1:7-10 (ESV)

Prayer List

Holly G
Sandy S
Cheryl S
Norma C
Raymond & Family
Barbara G (Cancer)
Robert C
Don C & Family
Ken G (Pancreatic Cancer)
Sharon G (Cancer)
Doans' Grandson, Wilson
Carlyle B
Ken & Christine F
Devin D (Cancer)

Daily Bible Reading

December 5 – Daniel 1-2; 1 John 4
December 6 – Daniel 3-4; 1 John 5
December 7 – Daniel 5-7; 2 John
December 8 – Daniel 8-10; 3 John
December 9 – Daniel 11-12; Jude
December 10 – Hosea 1-4; Revelation 1
December 11 – Hosea 5-8; Revelation 2

“Stand therefore, having the utility belt of truth buckled around your waist...” – Ephesians 6:14a (WEB)

Prayer Leaders

Sunday, December 5, 2021

Bible Study: Dave

Worship: Larry

Evening: Dan D

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

Steve

Clean Building

Paula

Prepare Communion

Paula

Upcoming Reminders

Wednesday adult class:

Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God

Lesson 10 (The Joy of Anxiety) &

Lesson 11 (Irreverence)

Assignments

Sunday, December 12, 2021

Reading: Travis

Announcements: Mike

Table: Dan H

Serve: Dan D

Dave

Roger

Jeff

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

Invitation: Michael

Anniversaries

December 6 – Steve & Misty

Birthdays

December 13 – Donna B

December 21 – Linda

December 21 – Christie

December 22 – Jailyn

December 22 – Lauren