

February 6, 2022

Olney Church of Christ

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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
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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.

Why We Assemble Together

By Michael Hickox

Hebrews 10:24-25: *Let's consider how to provoke one another to love and good works, not forsaking our own assembling together, as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more, as you see the Day approaching.*

God commands us to assemble with saints. As with all New Testament commands, this is the first reason it must be obeyed. "God said it, and that settles it" (cf. **1 John 5:3**). Yet, as with many commands, God not only tells us *what* to do, but gives reasons *why* to do it.

Notice the command in **Hebrews 10** includes "***consider how to provoke one another to love and good works.***"

A primary reason we must assemble is because we are thinking about (considering) the needs of others.

Considering one another should lead us to *exhort* one another and *edify* one another (cf. **1 Thess. 5:11**).

Notice **1 Corinthians 14:12**. The saints there were instructed concerning the use of miraculous

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gifts that were given prior to the completion of the written Word. Though the context was different, the principle of edification still stands. **“Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.”**

While assembling together builds up *each other*, the One we seek to obey and please in our assemblies is *God*.

To please God in worship, things must be done *His way*. **Matthew 15:9** illustrates that it is possible to worship God *in vain*. **Acts 17:23** illustrates that it is possible to worship God *in ignorance*. Neither of these is acceptable to God.

In **John 4:23-24**, Jesus taught how we must worship. A Samaritan woman asked Him whether one should worship in Jerusalem, as the Jews did, or at Mount Gerizim, as the Samaritans did.

Jesus gave this answer: ***But the hour comes, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such to be his worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.***

We must worship *God* from the *heart* while doing what *He* has commanded.

This opposes self-focused worship devised by man. Worship is about *God*.

As Christians come together to break bread (**Acts 20:7**), give (**1 Cor. 16:1-2**), pray (**Acts 2:42**), sing (**Eph. 5:19**), and study (**Acts 20:7**), it should be done to edify one another and please God.

As we assemble, may we remember that we are doing so for God's glory and the benefit of one another.

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

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Words to Consider

“This I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment; so that you may approve the things that are excellent; that you may be sincere and without offense to the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.”

– Philippians 1:9-11 (WEB)

Prayer List

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

Daily Bible Reading

February 6 – Exodus 39-40; Matt. 23:23-39
February 7 – Leviticus 1-3; Matt. 24:1-28
February 8 – Leviticus 4-5; Matt. 24:29-51
February 9 – Leviticus 6-7; Matt. 25:1-30
February 10 – Leviticus 8-10; Matt. 25:31-46
February 11 – Leviticus 11-12; Matt. 26:1-25
February 12 – Leviticus 13; Matt. 26:26-50

“Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.” – Jude 3 (ESV)

Prayer Leaders

Sunday, February 6, 2022

Bible Study: Dan D

Worship: John

Evening: Dave

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Michael

Clean Building

Halls

Prepare Communion

Halls

Upcoming Reminders

Wednesday (9th) adult class:

James 2:1ff

Next Sunday (13th) adult class:

The Resurrection of Jesus

Assignments

Sunday, February 13, 2022

Reading: Larry

Announcements: Mike

Table: Dan H

Serve: Dan D

Jim

Jeff

Travis

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Invitation: Travis

Anniversaries

Birthdays

February 13 – Darrell

February 15 – Dan D

February 20 – Jeff

February 23 – Larry

February 28 – Donna G

February 28 – Sandy