

# CAPITAL CITY



## CHURCH OF CHRIST

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### The Community of Believers Called into God's Kingdom

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*"A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."*  
**John 13:34, 35**

When Jesus said, "*upon this rock I will build my church*" the forces of darkness were put on notice (**Matt 16:18**). The Kingdom/church that Jesus was about to establish among men would reveal to the world His power and authority to conquer evil and to save those who would come to Him in faithful obedience to the Gospel (**John 3:16, 36**). The church that Jesus established consist of people, a community of believers that He called out of darkness and into the light of truth (**John 8:31, 32; John 17:17**). This community of believers would embody the essence of God's likeness in holiness (**1 Peter 1:16**), righteousness (**Matt. 5:20**), and truth (**1 John 2:5**). Moreover, God would empower these believers to manifest his ultimate attribute – Love because God is love (**1 John 4:8**).

Yet, when people do not accept the understanding of love as is declared throughout the Bible they exist in a condition where selfishness and self-centeredness becomes the main features of their personality. Be mindful that people are not inherently oppositional to God as some suggest to be the case. Man is born of God. All humans come from God and are shaped in God's image and likeness. Only after man sins against God's will, abusing his freedom, will he then turn away from truth. Thus, as believers walk in God's love His power becomes the transforming resource for a new life in Christ. **"...Without love we are nothing..."** (**1 Cor.13**). Thus, when love's transforming power is active/lively within the church, it produces outcomes that confirm God's supernatural presence within the assembly of believers.

Unless the world senses the supernatural presence of God within the church, the world perceives/experiences it as a community of common people. In essence, you don't need God to have community. If you get a group of people together who desire to achieve noble or good goals, that's a community of people who have a particular interest in common. This does not make that community divinely inspired; it just suggests that the people have noble or common goals. They exist together because of their common interest. The same principle applies to the church.

If the church claims to exist as an instrument of God, we must ask why that is the case. What is it that makes this community of people the voice and hand of God in the world? For example, the Jews and Gentiles of Jesus' day had nothing in common with each other. They literally hated each other and wished the worst for each other. Similarly, racial conditions exist even today. Yet, God through His church extinguished the division between Jew & Gentile; black & white and made them one in Christ (**Eph.3, 4**). Thus, in the church built by Christ, God exhibits supernatural manifestations likewise out of love, which confirm His presence within His church. Religious people who do ordinary things have no right to designate themselves as God's hand and voice. When the church does not demonstrate God's supernatural presence by its outcomes, it's just a common group of people.

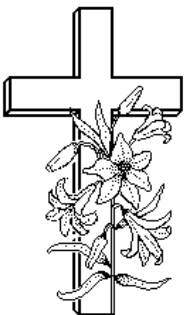
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#### Schedule of Weekly Services:

##### Sunday

Bible Study 10:30 am  
Worship 11:30 am

##### Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

**With much Christian love,**  
C. K. Stewart I, Minister

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- † **New Year's Eve Celebration** – Please join us for an end of the year celebration and fellowship, at the home of Sis. Colbert. We will be **starting at 7pm.**
- † **After School Tutoring** - No tutoring or homework help for the rest of the year. Next tutoring session will be **January 7, 2019.**
- † **Congregational Cleaning** - Saturday, **January 19<sup>th</sup>** and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 10am - 12 noon. All members are asked to help clean the inside and outside of the building.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Announcements	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Usher</u>
Songs	C. Taylor	C. Wilkins
Scripture Reading	D. Bigelow	
Opening Prayer	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Assistants</u>
Sermon	C.K. Stewart, I	D. Clark & C. Wilkins
Invitation Prayer		
Communion & Collection	D. Bigelow Sr.	
Welcome Visitors	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Greeter</u>
Benediction	N. Mathis	L. Woods
Cup Collection	Marcus & Timothy	
Mission Collection	Caleb	

## WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. Hear the Gospel.....Rom. 10:13-14 & 17
2. Have Faith in Christ.....Eph. 1:13; Heb. 11:6
3. Repent of Past Sins.....Luke 13:3, 24:47, Acts 17:30
4. Confess Jesus Christ.....Rom. 10:9; Acts 8:35-39
5. Be Buried in Baptism.....Acts 2:38; Rom 6:1-6
6. Be Faithful Until Death.....Rev. 2:10

Thank you for visiting the Capital City Church of Christ, where we are striving to worship as the Bible commands. The Church of Christ is God-oriented, Christ-centered, soul-conscious, color blind, and heaven bound. We are ever moving, ever trusting, ever loving and ever serving the interest of our King.

Come **worship** with us willingly as we **evangelize** everyone by making **disciples** who will mature through **ministry** and **fellowship** fraternally. Our minister is available for Bible study and counseling by appointment.

## SERMON NOTES