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Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Class	7:00 PM

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Welcome

The Pippin church of Christ extends to you a cordial welcome. We hope the services have been uplifting, and you will want to return at every opportunity.

Our purpose in meeting is to worship God in Spirit and in truth. God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and Truth. John 4:24

How to Become a Christian

Hear the Word - Romans 10:17
Believe - Mark 16:15
Repent of Past Sins - Luke 13:3
Confess - Romans 10:9
Be Baptized - Acts 2:38
Remain Faithful - Revelation 2:10

Radio Programs

The Lord's Way
AM 920 WLIV - Tuesdays @ 10:10AM

A Challenge to Think
AM 1400 WHUB - Sundays @ 9:05AM

For the Record, Week of 6/18/2017

Sunday Class	56
Sunday AM	77
Sunday PM	70
Wednesday	46

Worship

Frank Himmel

Genesis 4 relates man's first attempt to worship God. Abel, a shepherd, brought an offering of the firstlings of his flock. Cain, a farmer, brought an offering of the fruit of the ground. The Bible says, "And the Lord had regard for Abel and for his offering, but for Cain and for his offering He had no regard" (vv. 4-5). Whatever may have been the difference in this case, one thing is clear: God does not accept everything offered Him as worship.

The Concept of Worship - Worship is our acknowledgment of God's worth. Occasionally, the Bible uses the term of everyday living which respects His will (Romans 12:2). Mostly, worship refers to special acts of devotion intended to express to God our regard for Him. Either way, the underlying principle is reverence for God. Worship may therefore be defined as a reverent attitude which is expressed by a life of service and special acts of devotion.

Common Mistakes - The prophets of the Old Testament had much to say about the ancient Israelites' worship. While the forms were different back then - offering animal sacrifices, burning incense, tithing, etc. - we can still learn much from their experiences. The prophets identified three common mistakes: (1) People often mixed their own preferences with God's instructions. Instead of honoring God by doing what He said, they added or substituted what they liked. (2) Even when people were doing exactly what God said, worship at times became a boring ritual. Isaiah called it "lip service," "traditions learned by rote" (29:13). (3) Daily lives were too often segregated from what people expressed in formal worship. People praised God in songs and prayers but lived in complete disregard for His will. This was perhaps the prophets' most common complaint (Isaiah 1:10-17; Jeremiah 7:1-11; Amos 4:1-4; 8:4-6; etc.). Surely you understand why God would not accept worship from people who are just going through the motions or who substitute their own will for His. How does that honor Him?

Modern Applications - Jesus taught that "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24). Spirit emphasizes that worship is the product of a spiritual relationship. Worship is a privilege, not a right. It is the privilege of those who are in Christ, who "through Him . . . offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name" (Hebrews 12:15). Both in the formal sense and the broad sense of daily living, it is the conscious expression of a heart devoted to God. Truth emphasizes worship as God directs. Only that kind truly honors him. Omission of spirit leaves empty formalism. Omission of truth results in honoring self, not God.

The New Testament reveals several avenues of formal worship, either in individual or group settings. The history of the first-century church begins, "And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer" (Acts 2:42). Instruction in God's word clearly has a part in our assemblies. Breaking bread refers to eating the Lord's Supper, a memorial of Jesus' death (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). This is to be eaten on the first day of the week (Acts 20:7), the day also specified for the contribution, a means of Christians joining together to do the work God has assigned us collectively (1 Corinthians 16:1-2). Prayer is our means of communicating with God, both for praise and requests (1 Timothy 2:1-6). Singing is another means of praising God, with the added benefit of teaching and admonishing each other (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16).

Whether done individually or collectively, God's honor, not our pleasure, is the goal of worship. Therefore, His word dictates what is done and how. Is it surprising that the means He has given appeal more to the spirit than the flesh? How it looks, how it sounds, how it feels - these are not the critical factors. Instead, God says, "Let all things be done for edification" (1 Corinthians 14:26). Remember, "God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:24).

SERMON TOPICS

Morning	Glory of the Hoary Head	Proverbs 16:31
Evening	The Legacy of Barnabas	Acts 4:36

PRAYER LIST

BETTY BOSWELL - recently broke her leg. She is at home recovering.

GENEVA SMALLWOOD - continues to recover from recently having her tonsils removed.

THOSE BATTLING ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES - Burt Montgomery (co-worker of Josh Lawson), Cathy Phillips (cousin of Geneva Smallwood), Herbie Fox (nephew of Geneva Smallwood), John and Doris Stafford, Junior and Pearl Sherfield, Karen Dulworth (friend of Kim Frizzell), Karma Carter (wife of Jonathan Carter, nephew of Denise York), Kenneth Bryant (brother-in-law of Peggy Mahaney), Marie Eckel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July Service Schedule

The monthly service assignment schedule is now available for the month of July. Please let Adam or Amy Swallows know if something needs to be changed.

Electronic Bulletins

If you are interested in receiving an electronic copy of the bulletin prior to Sunday via email, you can sign up at www.pippincoc.com and enter your email address in the box on the right of the page.

Area Events		
June 18 – August 13	Willow Ave Summer Series	Various Speakers each Sunday
July 10 – 13	West Sparta VBS	6:30pm to 8:00pm

Do You Have Compassion for The Lost?

Compassion is an act, it is a sacrifice, it is suffering, it is intended to help others get to Heaven. We obviously cannot win salvation for others, or even for ourselves, but we can still be compassionate in a way that imitates Christ's compassion.

When we are "compassionate" towards another, we take on their suffering in the hopes of helping them towards some good end. This is what Christ did in the most perfect way when He came to Earth to suffer and die for the sins of Man. It was the greatest act of compassion in the history of the universe. The key point in Christ's compassion is that it was a saving act. He didn't just come down and give us a hug and say, "Hey, you guys are super. No need to change anything! Good job! Rather, He shed light on the darkness and corruption of the world and then *did* something about it. He sacrificed Himself. He suffered with us and for us so that we can go to Heaven.

This is what Christ has said to all of us, and our job as compassionate Christians is to echo His words and say to each other what He would say if He were standing physically in our midst. This is the truly compassionate message. Maybe it's not the easy version or the fashionable one but this is how we ought to be encouraging, exhorting, and edifying each other. That is, if we actually love each other - If we actually want each other to go to Heaven.

All Month - June

Table	Glen Belcher
Tray Preparation	Betty Boswell
Table Assist	Gary Medley Greg Frizzell Harold Frizzell Joe Brown

Sunday AM Worship

Announcements	Kale Burchett
Lead Singing	Adam Swallows
Read Scripture	John Lane
First Prayer	Eddie Frizzell
Last Prayer	Roger Mayberry
Greet at Door	Jonathan & Jenna Medley
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Sunday PM Worship

Announcements	Kale Burchett
Lead Singing	Adam Swallows
Read Scripture	Greg Frizzell
First Prayer	Larry Jackson
Last Prayer	Josh Lawson
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Wednesday Bible Class

Announcements	Kale Burchett
Lead Singing	Glen Belcher
Read Scripture	Lucas Frizzell
First Prayer	Glen Belcher
Last Prayer	Vestle Hensley
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Happy Birthday

Roger Mayberry	6/28
Josh Lawson	7/7
Sue Nelson	7/7
Amy Swallows	7/9

Happy Anniversary

Adam & Amy Swallows	6/27
James & Wanda Frizzell	7/6

Daily Bible Reading

1 Kings 5-7; 1 Thessalonians 4	6/25
1 Kings 8-9; 1 Thessalonians 5	6/26
1 Kings 10-11; 2 Thessalonians 1	6/27
Ecclesiastes 1-3; 2 Thessalonians 2	6/28
Ecclesiastes 4-6; 2 Thessalonians 3	6/29
Ecclesiastes 7-9; Acts 18	6/30
Ecclesiastes 10-12; 1 Corinthians 1	7/1

Question for the Week

How old was Methuselah when his father was taken away by God?

Answer to Previous Question

What prophet likened Ephraim to a cake not turned?

Hosea; Hos. 7:8