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Sunday AM Bible Study	9:30 AM
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

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Thank You For The Food?

by Steve Higginbotham (April 8, 2018)

“He who covers a transgression seeks love, But he who repeats a matter separates friends.” (Proverbs 17:9)

One of the advantages of growing up next door to the church building was that I was able to sleep in longer on Sunday mornings than others who had to drive to the building.

One morning, I was running really close. And I was shoveling in my “Quisp” or “Quake” (those were my favorites) cereal, ran next door, went down the steps and into the teenage class. As I walked in the door, the teacher asked me to begin the class with a prayer. So I started praying. In fact, I had just finished a prayer moments earlier, just before I gobbled down my cereal. I guess it was because I had just prayed a prayer for my food, I started the prayer this way, “Dear God, Thank you for this day and the blessings in it, and thank you for this food we are about to partake of... (then followed a long pause).”

In my rush, I had said the wrong prayer. I had thanked God for the food we were going to eat, but I was sitting in my teenage Bible class. I was stuck. I was embarrassed. I didn't know how to recover from this misstatement. I just cleared my throat and hurriedly ended the prayer.

When I ended the prayer by saying, “Amen,” the entire class burst out laughing at me. I was humiliated. But then, out of nowhere, I was rescued by my teacher. He told everyone to be quiet and then said, “I'm surprised that none of you caught on to what Steve just did. In fact, I found it rather insightful. We're about to study the Bible, and that can be compared to a “feast.” He reminded the class that we even sing a song that says, ‘All things are ready, come to the feast.’ He then thanked me for my insight and perspective, my peers quit laughing, and he began teaching the class.

I must admit, I didn't hear what he was teaching at that moment. I was still trying to figure out what had just happened. I went from “laughing stock” to being “insightful.” I wondered to myself if the teacher knew I wasn't really that insightful, but had just made an embarrassing mistake.

Looking back, of course he knew I had made a mistake. But this man decided to protect me. He took my foolish words, and turned them into a spiritual lesson. He lifted me from being an object of ridicule to being a person who was insightful. That act of kindness has remained in my memory all these years, and it challenges me to return the favor to others. We all need to remember that love seeks to protect the weaknesses in others, not expose them. Give it some thought.

SERMON TOPICS

Morning	A Really Bad Deal	Gen. 25:27-34
Evening	The Sufficiency of God	2 Cor. 3:4-6

PRAYER LIST

THOSE STILL IN NEED OF PRAYERS - Continue to remember those who are recovering from recent surgeries and illnesses. Also, pray for the ones who have lost a loved one.

MISSIONARIES - Remember to pray for those who spread the gospel around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOSPEL MEETINGS

West Sparta Church of Christ, April 15-19
Randy Bybee

Smyrna Church of Christ, April 15-18
David Smith

Pippin Church of Christ, May 6-9
Paul Sain

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN

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BULLETIN UPDATES

The bulletin is a great communication tool. If you have updates, additions or removals of sick please let one of the deacons know so the appropriate updates and changes can be made.

All Month - April

Table	James Scott
Tray Preparation	Cathy Frizzell
Table Assist	Andrew Scott Chad York Joe Brown Mike Martin

Sunday AM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Eddie Frizzell
Read Scripture	John Jones
First Prayer	Greg Frizzell
Last Prayer	John Lane
Greet at Door	Eddie & Cathy Frizzell
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Sunday PM Worship

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Andrew Scott
Read Scripture	Joe Brown
First Prayer	Gary Medley
Last Prayer	Dennis Chaffin
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Wednesday Bible Class

Announcements	Lester Boles
Lead Singing	Larry Jackson
Read Scripture	Conner Swallows
First Prayer	Colonel Wheeler
Last Prayer	Joey Frizzell
Slide Production	Kale Burchett

Happy Birthday

John Jones	4/20
Ida Wheeler	4/21
James Scott	4/21
Heath Wattenbarger	4/22
Annalee Burchett	4/25
Mike Martin	4/26

Daily Bible Reading

Judges 4-6; Luke 13:1-22	4/15
Judges 7-8; Luke 13:23-35	4/16
Judges 9-10; Luke 14:1-24	4/17
Judges 11-12; Luke 14:25-35	4/18
Judges 13-15; Luke 15:1-10	4/19
Judges 16-18; Luke 15:11-32	4/20
Judges 19-21; Luke 16	4/21

Question for the Week

What nation conquered the northern kingdom of Israel (which had capital city in Samaria)?

Answer to Previous Question

Who introduced the newly converted Saul to the apostles? Barnabas; Acts 9:27