

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 AM**

Those serving the congregation today

April 24, 2016

May 1, 2016

Bible Class	Dale	Dale
Announcements	Eddie	Harold
Song Leader	Ryan	Greg
Opening Prayer	Jerry	Eddie
Communion:		
Presiding	Harold	Ryan
Serving	Greg	Raimi
	Jason	Pat
	Pat	Jessie
Sermon	Dale	Dale
Closing Prayer	Eddie	Lonnie

### **EVENING SERVICE 6:00 PM**

Announcements	Harold	Eddie
Opening Prayer	Eddie	Harold
Lesson/Devo	Dale	Dale
Song Leader	Jim	Ryan
Communion/ Closing Prayer	Harold	Eddie

### **May Greeters—Wanda & Kathie**

**Readings for the week: Acts 16:6–10; Psalm 8; Psalm 14; Revelation 22:12–17, 20; Romans 15:14–20; John 17:20–26**

RESPONSES: Each time we meet together, there is a possibility that someone would like to respond to the invitation of Jesus Christ. We would be very glad to help you if you would like to be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins and to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, (2) to repent for sin in your life and ask for prayers of the church, or (3) to ask the church to pray for some special need in your life.

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# Church of Christ

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**Ministers—Every member of the congregation**

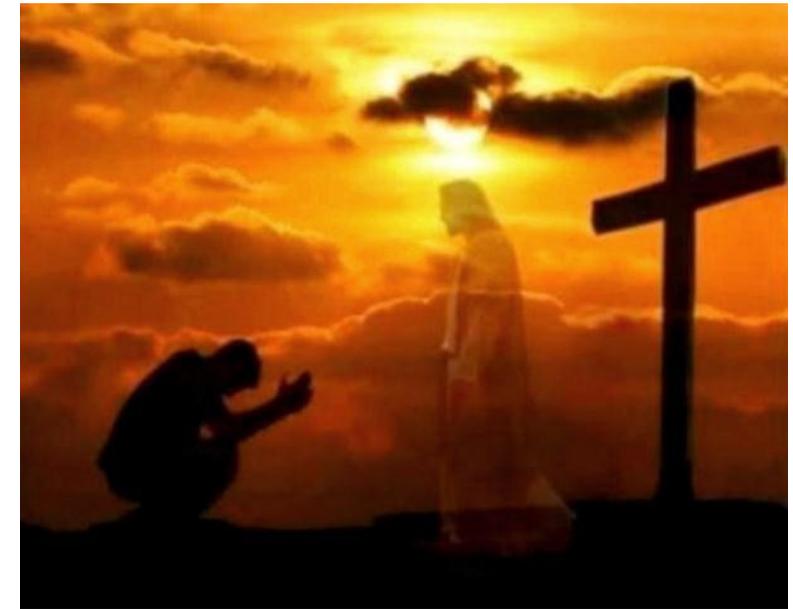
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### **Welcome Visitors**

We are honored to have you as our guest. We pray that the worship and fellowship will be a blessing to you. If we can serve you in any way or answer any questions, you may fill out a visitor card on the back of the pews and place it in the collection plate, or you may contact our Elders.

### **Nursery/Training Room**

Provided where you may sit with your children during services

## NEWS AND EVENTS

Remember our Grateful Givers food drive headed up by the teens. See Ryan with any questions.

Today is Potluck!

Friday May 6th Fellowship - Pizza (Bring Dessert)

Men's Breakfast is each Tuesday in May at 8:30am

The Next Ladies Bible Study is May 12th at 11:00am

Friday May 20th Fellowship - Ice Cream Social

Sunday Evening May 22th Fellowship - Appetizers

Volunteers are need to clean the building. Sign up in the foyer. See Eddie Rose with any questions.

## PRAISE AND PRAYER

Prayers for the Kilby and Wager family as they mourn the loss of Dennie Wager.

Prayers for all those who are battling cancer.

Prayers for those of our number who are traveling.

Prayers for the missionaries out in the world.

Please continue to pray for those with health concerns:

Amanda, Mary Jane, Bill, Grady, Sibyl, Babs, Linda, Helena, Hayley, Wayne, Charlie & Shirley, Ephraim, Jeff Landers, April's mother Linda, Ed Christian, Shirley Brinkman, Sharon's sisters, Krisha Borchers, Donola

Our Military men and women, and the leadership of our nation and our congregation.

A FAMILY WHO PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

## Photography II

Last week we looked at the importance of shadows and the impact they make on a photograph. This week the subject is, to me, one of the most important aspects of painting with light. Perspective would be a good thing to look at, or lighting, highlights, subject matter – all good subjects, but all take second place to focus. By definition, focus can relate to two things in a photograph. It can be “the center of interest or activity,” or “the state or quality of having or producing clear visual definition.” Both of these are critical to good photography. The first says, “This is what I want you to look at.” The other exclaims the clarity with which I want you to see it.

OK, enough talking in circles and get to the point. The focus of a photograph is the center of attention – not the center of the picture but where the picture gets you to place your eyes. I may want you to see a tree in the top left portion of the picture so I will take it in such a way that everything else in the photo is pointing toward it. A wayward limb can be used to point the way, a bird taking off, a stream flowing toward it, or perhaps a cloud floating over it can be used to frame where I want your attention focused. This draws your eyes away from everything else, guiding you to the picture you need to see. Some things are always a focus in themselves. It does not matter what else is in the picture, if a baby is in it, there is the center of focus.

The sharpness with which a subject is presented makes a huge difference in what we see. Some pictures have the foreground out of focus with the background sharp. That is a case of camera focus directing eye focus. When something is “out of focus,” it is unclear. Many things can be distinguished but there is a loss of detail as we examine it. That can be used for good(?) purposes at times. Did you know there is a “soft focus” portrait lens? In the past, if perhaps someone is a little “older” and wants a portrait done but wants a smoother look on her face this is the lens to reach for. (Yes, I said her – never had a man ask for this one.) It is made in such a way that some of the light going on the film (pixels) is in sharp focus and some is slightly unfocused. The result is a photograph that has much softer shadows and lines. The person is recognizable with fewer wrinkles. (Today it is just Photoshopped.)

Satan would make a pretty good photographer. He is expert at directing attention away from Jesus and toward what he wants you to see. He puts it in plain view then uses every trick in the book to get you to see nothing else even though what you need to see is clearly visible. He is also good at blurring the sins we should be aware of and making us think they are not really there.

Jesus, on the other hand, would make an excellent photographer. His photographs always use the correct light, sharp focus, and keep the center of attention on a godly life with him clearly visible.

Love ya,  
Dale

## Graceful Givers

### Accepted/Needed Items

Food: Non-perishable; Bread is Accepted

Clothes: Kids Clothing; Shoes; Socks; Jackets; Sweaters; Blankets; Towels; Wash Clothes; Pillows

Supplies: Soap; Deodorants; Shampoo; Toilet Paper; Toothbrushes; Toothpaste; laundry Soap; Kitchenware

School Supplies: Coloring Books; Pencils; Crayons; Kids Toys

### BIBLES

*“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me” Matthew 25:35*

*“Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor” Proverbs 22:9*

### Family Records Last Week

Sunday Morning Worship	49
Sunday Evening	29
Wednesday Evening	22
Contribution	\$1323
Weekly Budget	\$1500

### Elders

Harold Kilby 567-9764  
Eddie Rose 567-4349

### Deacons

Jason Carr 592-0791  
Jim Vogel 451-0782

### Evangelist

Dale Rhodes 274-4717

### Schedule of Services

Sun	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Evening Service	6:00 pm
	Youth Group	6:10 pm
Wed	Bible Study	7:00 pm
Thurs	Ladies Devotional	11:00 am
	(every other week)	
Friday	Fellowship (EOW)	6:00 pm
Tues	Men's Breakfast	8:00 am