

# Church of Christ

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## UNIQUE

Jesus is unique. In fact, the phrase “only begotten Son” in the NKJV’s translation of John 3:16 could arguably be rendered “only Son” (ESV), meaning that Jesus was God’s unique Son. Yes, those who are Christians are sons and daughters of God, but Jesus is special. There’s no one else like Him. Jesus was both God and man. He was both king and servant. He was both a lion and a lamb. He was both the high priest and the sacrifice.

No other religion has someone like Jesus. According to one fanciful but insightful story, a man became lost in his travels and wandered into a bed of quicksand. Confucius saw the man’s predicament and said, “It is evident that men should stay out of places such as this.” Next, Buddha observed the situation and said, “Let that man’s plight be a lesson to the rest of the world.” Then, Muhammad came by and said to the sinking man, “Alas, it is the will of God.” Finally, Jesus appeared. “Take my hand, brother,” He said, “and I will

save you.” Indeed, of all the world’s religions that have ever existed, Christianity stands alone in having a loving Savior. Christianity is unique because of Jesus.

Jesus’ uniqueness makes His church unique. He is the founder and foundation of a special assembly (Matt. 16:16-18; 1 Cor. 3:11). Nowhere else will you find a body of people who serve a founder who gave His very life to take away the sin of the world (John 1:29; Rom. 5:8; 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 John 2:2). No other group of people could say that their founder left heaven itself, came to earth, lived as a man, served mankind, suffered and died for mankind, before returning to His rightful place in heaven (Phil. 2:5-11). The church belongs to Jesus. The church worships Jesus. The church preaches Jesus. Indeed, the church’s identity is found in Jesus, and it is He who makes the church so distinctive.

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## PRAY FOR...

**Baker, Hailey:** Maddie’s friend, broken jaw  
**Ballard, Sophie:** Nikki’s niece, struggles  
**Black, Roger,** Doug’s friend, stroke  
**Blier, Christina:** health  
**Bushey, Jason & Chantelle:** Crumps’ friends, baby  
**Cech, Terry:** surgery to remove spots on bladder  
**Deeton, Mike:** Katelyn’s friend, heart  
**Doner, Richard:** Christian’s uncle, septic  
**Duprey, Karina:** Earl’s niece, cancer  
**Elders:** Alfred and Doug  
**Forette, Kevin:** John’s friend, cancer  
**Kashorek, Lori:** lung cancer and success of new treatment  
**Lebeau, Steve & Gail:** John’s friends, health struggles  
**Lermineau, Sean:** Carl’s relative, struggles  
**LePage, Jim Sr. and Gail:** Jim L’s parents, health  
**Loss:** friends & family of Mark Martin Jr.  
**McCoy, Donna:** Melinda’s relative, health  
**Miller, Amber:** great scan results and new job  
**Miller, Francis:** Jody’s dad, tests  
**Miller, Jody:** struggles  
**Missions:** Brazil, Ghana, Malawi, Ukraine, Zambia  
**Phillips, Cathy,** Mary’s friend, struggles mother’s dementia  
**Provost, Emilie:** raising Sorcha in the Lord  
**Spencer Carrie:** Alfred’s niece, health  
**Stone, Jack:** health  
**Stone, Paul & Susan:** Steven’s brother, motorcycle accident  
**Stapleton, Katelyn:** struggles  
**Stowe, Kayonna:** Nikki’s niece’s friend, cancer  
**Taylor, Robert Jr.:** Nikki’s dad’s preacher friend, dying.  
**The Oasis Project**  
**Waters, Scott:** Eddie’s aide, biopsy  
**Whitfield, Freda:** Mary Chambers’ mother, health

*“Continue to help us keep this list updated and to pray for those mentioned in previous bulletins.”*

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shepherds serving under the Good Shepherd:

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### Schedule of Services

Sunday  
Bible Class 10 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11 A.M.

Wednesday  
Bible Classes 6:30 P.M.

## Welcome to Worship

The church of Christ that meets in Plattsburgh invites you to attend any of our services. We love having visitors and are honored for you to attend. We seek to follow the New Testament in all that we do in our worship services. Our primary aim in worship is to glorify and honor God by worshipping Him "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24) Trusting in the promise of the gospel message, we now live out obedience to God's Word as our only authority and pattern for our lives and the church. We want to encourage you to come and learn, worship, grow, and serve the Lord with us! "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity" (Psalm 133:1).

## From the Shepherds ...

You are invited to join us this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for a presentation from Eddison Fowler on the work in Brazil that we have been helping to support for about fifteen years. We are having a dessert sharing time at 6:00 so we can visit with Eddison before his presentation. We won't be holding regular classes.



## We've Got Class!

Join us Next Sunday at 10 a.m. for: Adults: John's class--Search For Truth, lesson 6 Youth classes as well ... and don't forget to meet at Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

## Mission Moment.

- Please pray for all our mission works.
- Plan to hear Eddison Fowler speak on 12/6 on the Brazil work.
- Rachel plans to work with our girls as a domestic mission project when she's home on break.

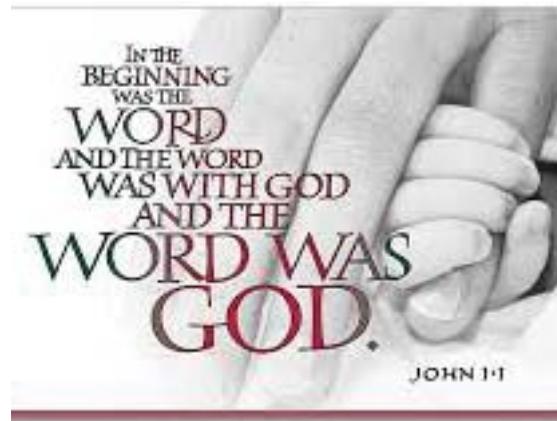
## Wash & Wear

- the cleaning sign-up for this season is on the fridge. Taking a turn is appreciated & needed.
- the church's blue polo shirts in a variety of sizes are \$15 each (to cover cost only).

## Doug's Devotional

*"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning"* John 1:1-2.

Most of us cannot but jot down a few appointments on a calendar and strive to meet them, but looking back on a day, we can see just how near-sighted we are. As we try to understand God's plan to redeem sinful man, it's easy to believe Jesus as just another figure in a line of greats: Adam, Noah, Moses, David .... But, Jesus is different. He is from the beginning, being both God and with God, through whom all things were made. His Only Son's part in His plan of salvation is integral, but what was the Second Person of the Godhead doing before "the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us"? He was the instrument of Creation and spoken to by the Father in Genesis 1:26 as He and the Father are one (John 10:30). Some believe it is Jesus to show up in various theophanies (appearances of God) throughout Scripture ... perhaps even Melchizedek himself, in whose order Jesus has become our High Priest forever. He definitely made His own mother who would give birth to Him. Do you believe that as God, Jesus is the 'I Am'?



## Munchie Moments

**Fellowship Meal:** our next one is snacks on our 5th Sunday movie/game night, New Year's Eve, 12/31.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast:** the next first Sunday breakfast is on 1/7 at 8 a.m.

## Sundae Toppings

**Today:** 12/3, 8 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast  
12/10, 12:30 p.m. Ladies' Time  
12/17, 12:30 p.m. Family Meeting  
12/24, 12:30 p.m. NO Fellowship Meal  
12/31, 5th Sunday; 5:30 p.m. snacks/movie/game night!



## Key Word Search

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 a.m., 11a.m. 7 p.m.

In Search of the Lord's Ways:

"God's Love For Us"

Key to the Kingdom:

"What the Cross Means to Me"



## 2017 Weekly Bible Reading Plan



Day 337-Colossians 3-4; 1 Th. 1-2  
Day 338-1 Thessalonians 3-5; 2 Th. 1  
Day 339-2 Thessalonians 2-3; 1 Ti. 1-2  
Day 340-1 Timothy 3-6  
Day 341-2 Timothy 1-4

Finish the New Testament by year's end!



## Mark Your Calendar

12/9, Christina's birthday  
12/21, Jackie's birthday  
12/25, Christmas  
12/29, Jim B's birthday  
1/1, New Year's Day

## The Oasis Project

The Oasis Project will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30-5:30 p.m. For confidentiality reasons, if you are not vetted, please stay away from the church building during those hours. Thank you.

## Today: 12/3

Announcements: John  
Opening Prayer: Alfred  
Song Leader: Tyler  
#942 "Tell Me the Old, Old Story"  
#1009 "Battle Hymn of the Republic"  
#705 "A Common Love"  
Talk/bread prayer: Jim B  
Pass/fruit of the vine prayer: Howard  
Pass/collection prayer: Steven  
#76 "How Great Thou Art"  
Scripture Reading: Jim L - John 1:1-5  
Lesson: Doug "In the Beginning was the Word"  
#934 "Softly and Tenderly"  
Closing Song: Chris  
#PP "Happy Song"  
Closing Prayer: Carl  
Subs: DK, GH

## Next Sunday: 12/10

Announcements: Doug  
Opening Prayer: Chris  
Song Leader: John  
Talk/bread prayer: Garth  
Pass/fruit of the vine prayer: Jim B.  
Pass/collection prayer: Carl  
Scripture Reading: Steven - Hebrews 7:23-28  
Lesson: Doug "He Always Lives to Intercede for Them"  
Closing Song: Tyler

## Week of November 26

<b>Bible Class</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Morning Worship</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Wed. Bible Class</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Contribution</b>	<b>\$458.20</b>
<b>Weekly Ave. Needed</b>	<b>\$575.00</b>

## October→November Averages; 1 Year Ago

Sun. Bible Class Ave. 20→ 25; 23  
Sun. AM Worship Ave. 32→ 33; 33  
Wed. Bible Class Ave. 13→ 13; 13  
Weekly Contribution Ave. \$651.66→ \$653.44; \$639.48  
Yearly Contribution Ave. (13weeks) \$648.68