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May 15, 2016

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THE REAL THING

In a world filled with churches all claiming to be the church of the Bible, how do we recognize the real thing among all the counterfeits? Jesus offered specific guidelines which, when followed, will enable us to easily identify his church.

First, he said: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another" (John 13:35). Love is the "badge" of discipleship. Without it we cannot be a true child of God. The kind of love that distinguishes God's people from the world is caring and active. John warned his readers: "My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth" (John 13:35). Pure religion demands that we "visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction" and that we keep ourselves "unspotted from the world" (James 1:27). A loveless church is a Christless church.

Second, Jesus offered a prayer that is very insightful. He said: "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one as thou, Father, art in

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SCHEDULE

May 22, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Dollison

WAIT ON THE TABLE

AM: Todd Hague
Darrell Hague

PM: Randy Nolan
Brad Forshey

PRAYER

AM: John Forshey
Close—Earl Schramm

PM: Joe Crone
Close: Darrell Hague
5/25—Les Mills

SCRIPTURE READER

AM: Tyson Brewer

PM: John Dollison

SONG LEADER

AM: Michael Morgan

PM: Brad Pierce

Wed. 5/25—Les Mills

STATISTICS—May 1

Sunday Bible Class.....	98
Morning Worship.....	207
Evening Worship.....	95
Wednesday Classes.....	93
Contribution.....	3,717

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<http://sixthandwashingtonchurchofchrist.org>

BIBLECALL (740-373-3222)

PANTRY ITEM OF THE WEEK — Spaghetti & Spaghetti Sauce

TODAY'S SERMONS

AM: Almost, But not Quite
Reading: Deut. 34:1-6

PM: Why do we sing?
Reading: Col. 3:12-17

PROGRAMS

WJAW FM 100.9—Sunday 8:30 a.m.

WJAW AM 630—Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WMOA AM 1490—Sunday 11:00 a.m.

SEARCH—WTAP—Sunday 7:30 a.m.

SICK

Don Kirkbride is at Harmar Place for rehab following back surgery.

PRAYER LIST

Joe & Nancy Riggs

Etta Ritchie

Betty Rittenhouse (Sharon Anderson's sister)

Added to prayer list: **Andrea Bonette**
friend of **Nancy Ward**)

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to proud parents **Jason** and **Renee' Ware** at the birth of their baby girl, **Brielle Cherie**, Tuesday, May 10, weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and 18 1/2 inches long. Congratulations to proud grandparents **Keith** and **Carol Ware** and **Randy** and **Rhonda Feisley**.

BIBLE QUESTION/ANSWER

Peter had made a vow that he would not deny Jesus. How many times did he deny knowing him before he remembered the vow?

1. One
2. Two
3. Three
4. Four

Answer next week/Answer to last weeks' question: **What crime did the high priest charge Jesus with? When Jesus answered his question, are you the Christ and Jesus said yes, the high priest said this was blasphemy and the penalty was death—Mark 14:61-64**

GRADUATE RECEPTION

Please join us following the evening service tonight to honor our graduates. A reception will be held in the multipurpose room.

PANTRY

The pantry items of the week are spaghetti and spaghetti sauce.

GOSPEL MEETINGS

May 15-19—Harmar Hill church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Ed Melott**

May 15-19—Main Street church of Christ—Various Guest Speakers

May 15-18—Mineral Wells church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Peter Ray Cole**

May 22-25—New Concord church of Christ—Guest Speaker: **Steve Higginbotham**

Your best life will come later.

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21

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me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me" (John 17:20, 21). The church must be united if it is Christ's church. It is said of the early disciples that they were of "one heart and of one soul" (Acts 4:32). When brethren fight and bicker among themselves they cease to be the Lord's church. A divided church is a Christless church.

Third, the Lord's church will be known for its loyalty to truth. Jesus said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). Those who worship acceptably will worship "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). What is truth? It is the word of God (John 17:17). God, and God alone, has the right to determine what is and is not required of his children. This he has done in the Bible. If we are truly his church, truth will reign supreme in our lives.

Jesus came to build the church (Matthew 16:18). Jesus purchased the church with his own blood (Acts 20:28). Jesus adds the saved to his church (Acts 2:47). Are you in his church?

—Roger

VBS KIDS DAY MEETING

VBS Kids day is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, from 9:00 a.m.— 3:15 p.m. There is a meeting scheduled for Sunday, May 29, following the evening service for all who are interested in teaching/helping. If you are interested in helping with VBS Kids Day, but are unable to attend this meeting, please see **Tom Eddy**.

May our longings be to love God more, serve Him better, and see Him return.

RAMBLINGS

--By Roger

I am confident you were all excited to hear the announcement last Sunday that **Harry Ogletree** has accepted a position as a part-time associate minister with the congregation. **Harry** will begin his work with us tomorrow. He will be working to reach students at *Marietta College, Ohio Valley University, and Washington State Community College*, as well as getting more involved with our young people here. Also, as he has been doing, he will continue to preach in my absence. We are very excited to begin our work together. Please keep him and **Darlene** in your prayers as this new ministry unfolds.

Our graduate reception is this evening following our evening assembly. I hope you will make a special effort to be here tonight for the evening assembly and the reception which will follow. We have a wonderful group of young people, and we want them to know how proud we are of them.

The Harmar Hill congregation began a gospel meeting this morning which will run through Thursday evening. The guest speaker is **Ed Melott** from the Steelton congregation in New Martinsville, WV. I want to encourage you to support that meeting as many evenings as your schedule will permit.

God willing, our young men will be leading our worship Sunday evening the 29th. **Tim Loughry** will be our speaker that evening. Please note that on your calendar and do your best to be here to support and encourage them.

I just recently learned that **Margaret Craighead's** mother, **Ona Bell Groves**, age 98, passed away shortly after **Don** and **Margaret** were with us for our Spring Gospel Meeting. If you would like to send a sympathy card, their address is: 1390 Fowler Ford Road, Portland, TN 37148.

THANK YOU

Thank you cards are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer from **Randy Nolan** and **Ida Harris**.