

# CAPITAL CITY



## CHURCH OF CHRIST

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### The Truth or Tradition

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*“Then the scribes and Pharisees who were from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, why do your disciples transgress the tradition of elders? He answered them, “why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition?”* **Matt. 15:1,2, 3**

Throughout history mankind has struggled while trying to answer the question, what is truth. Our concern here is with truth that leads to successful devotion to God. As a result, Christians believe the Bible is that source of truth that guides man to a relationship with Him (**2 Tim. 3:16, 17; John 17:17 etc.**). In other words, all sincere seekers of truth aspire to know God through His written word. However, we do recognize that there are various opinions with regards how one manifest the will (actions) of God. As Christians who believe the Bible is the word of God and the authority for the Church; we believe the scriptures alone confirm our faithfulness to the will of God (**Romans 10:17**). Experiences can indicate that one’s life is being transformed by God but experiences that are authentic correspond with the written word.

It is evident here in **Matthew 15**, that Jesus is troubled by religious leaders who apparently find it acceptable to substitute God’s truth with human traditions. The question Jesus poses to the religious leaders alone is not threatening, it simply demands investigation. Why would sincere believers alter God’s word by replacing truth with tradition (**1 John 2:3-5**)? Throughout the Bible sincere believers are urged to evaluate what they hear from those who speak for God (**1 John 4:1**). Keeping in mind that when the blind lead the blind, they all fall in the ditch (**Matt. 15:14**). By helping people who are open to process their beliefs, several possibilities become clear. In some instance, people are simply following the traditions of their faith system. We do not question their sincerity but we can help them to evaluate their understanding of God’s word. When this is done in a loving and respectful manner, sincere people appreciate learning. Yet, in other instances, when we try the spirit of people who hold to certain views that do not correspond with scripture, we may embark upon resistance.

When resistance to investigating the scriptures is a person’s attitude, shake the dust off your feet and “get to step-pin.” Only to suggest that Jesus did not call believers in general to go to war with resisters to the truth. Of course the apostles often were challenged by individuals and verbal combat did take place, but those encounters are recorded for our learning. Having the courage to take people to task over their understanding of truth is a burden I believe that is only fit for people who can fight that fight without becoming discouraged and disheartened. No propagator of the gospel seeks opportunities to war with people over truth, there is no enjoyment in such activity. Rather, those who teach God’s word seek to help people step out of darkness into the light of God’s truth.

When men over time begin to change God’s word, usually to satisfy cultural demands or the whims of some ambitious human-being or group, sincere people often get mislead. We are illuminators of God’s light. We strive to live the truth to please God and to initiate opportunities to inspire others to follow the light.

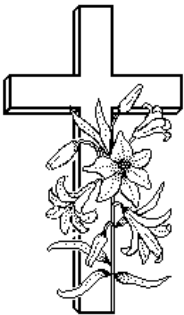
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#### Schedule of Weekly Services:

##### Sunday

Bible Study 10:30 am  
Worship 11:30 am

##### Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

**With much Christian love,**  
C. K. Stewart I, Minister

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ✝ **Youth Activity** – all youth and parents are encouraged to join us for lunch and our monthly nursing home visit to sing songs. **November 11<sup>th</sup>** following worship service and every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.
- ✝ **Congregational Cleaning** - Beginning at 10am on Saturday, **November 17<sup>th</sup>** and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. All members are asked to help clean the inside and outside of the building.
- ✝ **Ladies' Prayer Class** –all ladies are encouraged to join us for a time of prayer and fellowship following worship service, **November 18<sup>th</sup>** and every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. Place to be announced.
- ✝ **Thanksgiving meal** – we will be serving the Mozell Sanders Thanksgiving Meal here at the building on **November 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 11am – 1pm.** All members who are able are encouraged to meet us here at 10am to set up for serving.
- ✝ **Family Game Night** – all members & visitors are encouraged to join us on Friday, **November 30<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm for games, food & fun at the Taylor's.
- ✝ **Loved Ones incarcerated** – Join us in encouraging our loved ones who are incarcerated. Please take some time to write them a letter (no cards allowed). Mike Spencer 178573, Miami Correctional Facility, 3038 W. 850 W., Bunker Hill, IN 46914.(His letters must be on white, lined notebook paper and written in black ink. Luveesa Shockley 685582, Cell Unit 3B, Marion County Jail, 40 S. Alabama Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.(Her letters must have her name and cell unit written on the top of each page)

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Announcements	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Usher</u>
Songs	C. Taylor	C. Wilkins
Scripture Reading	D. Bigelow	
Opening Prayer	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Assistants</u>
Sermon	C.K. Stewart, I	D. Clark
Invitation Prayer		& C. Wilkins
Communion & Collection	D. Bigelow Sr.	
Welcome Visitors	C.K. Stewart, I	<u>Greeter</u>
Benediction	N. Mathis	L. Woods
Cup Collection	Marcus & Timothy	
Mission Collection	Caleb	

### WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. Hear the Gospel.....Rom. 10:13-14 & 17
2. Have Faith in Christ.....Eph. 1:13; Heb. 11:6
3. Repent of Past Sins.....Luke 13:3, 24:47, Acts 17:30
4. Confess Jesus Christ.....Rom. 10:9; Acts 8:35-39
5. Be Buried in Baptism.....Acts 2:38; Rom 6:1-6
6. Be Faithful Until Death.....Rev. 2:10

Thank you for visiting the Capital City Church of Christ, where we are striving to worship as the Bible commands. The Church of Christ is God-oriented, Christ-centered, soul-conscious, color blind, and heaven bound. We are ever moving, ever trusting, ever loving and ever serving the interest of our King.

Come **worship** with us willingly as we **evangelize** everyone by making **disciples** who will mature through **ministry** and **fellowship** fraternally. Our minister is available for Bible study and counseling by appointment.

**With Christian Love, Dr. C.K. Stewart, I, Minister**