# ORDER OF WORSHIP April 27, 2025

Song: **55** – *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story* 

Song: **232** – *Heavenly Sunlight* First prayer: **Geremy Thomas** 

Song: **92** – When My Love to Christ Grows Weak Communion servers: Mernie Ray & Brian Zumalt

Prayer for giving: Mark Brandt

Song: **859** – Where the Soul Never Dies

Sermon: "Pagan Gods Murder Babies, Ancient and Modern" - Jerry Brewer

Invitation song: **456** – There's a Fountain Free

Closing song: **389** – When the Roll is Called Up Yonder

Closing prayer: Shane Upton

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- Jerry & Sherlene - health

- Kim's cousin's son (Isaac Wood)-hole in heart caused by stroke (upcoming surgery)

- Our nation (1 Tim. 2:2)

- Our members with health issues: Kim, David

Please continue to remember: Connie Townsend, Lucinda, Vipin & family, India work, Aruna Kavali, Marinda Breeding, Holley Brewer, Kevin Brewer, Dylan Walker

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**:

- We rejoice that **Adam Bentley** was baptized into Christ Wednesday night! Pray for his continued growth in the knowledge of the knowledge of the truth (2 Pet. 3:18).
- "Precept Upon Precept" is a YouTube channel with many sermons/articles from faithful brethren (www.youtube.com/@preceptuponprecept8495)

## **RECORD FOR WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2025**

### **ATTENDANCE**:

Bible Class – 16 AM Worship – 19 Sun PM – 16 DBR – 6 Wed (4/13) – 13

Contribution – \$1512

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Sunday Bible class: 9am Worship 10am & 12:30pm Wednesday Bible class: 7pm

**Matthew 9:37-38** "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

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# LIVING IN THE DANGER ZONE

As our generally ungodly society progressively worsens, it should be no surprise to see individuals who wear the name "Christian" also heading in this direction. Some have the attitude "how close can I get to sin without sinning? Just how much can I get away with? How little can I do and be pleasing to God?" Thus, being influenced by the world, they are living in the danger zone. The eternal welfare of their soul is jeopardized. May I suggest some areas where the influence of the world is great and a word of caution is needed.

**Evil companions.** Paul forewarned in 1 Corinthians 15:33, "Do not be deceived: bad company corrupts good morals." The people Paul had in mind may not have been "absolute filth." Maybe his warning simply had to do with spending too much time with folks who have no redeeming spiritual qualities or Godward inclinations. Being distracted from our spiritual warfare allows Satan an opportunity to take advantage of us. He will use anything or anybody he can to accomplish his purposes. Letting others determine your behavior or do your thinking for you is quite perilous spiritually. If you're in need of some good companionship, and we all are, why not spend your time with brothers and sisters in the Lord?

**Media indulgence.** The information we filter through our mind undoubtedly affects the way we think and behave. To continually fill our minds with the world's philosophy is quite harmful whether by television, radio, movies or magazines. Seeing or hearing that which is immoral filth has no redeeming value. Also, we must be careful not to take a lighthearted or tolerant attitude toward sin when we witness it.

**Immodesty.** It's hard to feel comfortable when you "stick out like a sore thumb" in a crowd, but the Christian must, if the majority does evil. Regardless of the world's standard of dress, Christians must adorn themselves in a manner that reflects the proper attitude of heart (1 Timothy 2:9-10). The sacrifice of comfort and peer acceptance is a small price to pay in glorifying God. Beware of the dangers associated with immodest dress, evil influence, lust, sexual promiscuity, etc.

"And things like these" (Galatians 5:19-21). Alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, narcotics, modern forms of dance. Being engaged in these practices cannot strengthen us spiritually. They will only weaken us. Any small participation in or even too much association with these practices hurls one into the danger zone spiritually.

Beware of living in the Danger Zone! "Abstain from every form of evil" (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

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# BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH

When one is baptized into Christ and becomes a Christian, he begins a new life (Rom. 6:4), in which he is to set aside those things of his old way of life (2 Cor. 5:17; Eph. 4:22) and excitedly pursue his new life in Christ and his new relationship with his Savior and Lord. Jesus summarized His expectations and made this promise, "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10). What is involved in being faithful? Consider these ten things.

**Grow.** The Lord wants us to increase our knowledge, our faith and our trust in Him (2 Pet. 1:5-11; 3:18), which we are able to do by regularly studying His Word (2 Tim. 2:15) and praying (Col. 4:2).

**Worship.** The Lord wants us to long to worship Him (John 4:24; Matt. 4:10) and praise Him from our hearts (Heb. 13:15; Eph. 5:19), especially on the first day of each week (Acts 20:7; Heb. 10:25).

**Serve.** The Lord wants us to look beyond ourselves (Phil. 2:3-4) and to find opportunities to lovingly serve others (Gal. 5:13) and do good to them (Gal. 6:10), knowing that such is also serving the Lord Himself (Col. 3:24; Rom. 12:10-11).

**Teach.** The Lord wants us to show others the way to heaven by teaching the gospel (Mark 16:15), living a Christian life (Matt. 5:16) and answering their questions (1 Pet. 3:15).

**Obey.** The Lord wants us to conform our lives to His will by submitting to Him (Jas. 4:7), walking by His side (1 John 1:7) and obeying His commands (Heb. 5:9; Matt. 7:21).

**Prioritize.** The Lord wants us to put Christ (Col. 1:18) and His church (Matt. 6:33) first in our lives, which will be evident in how we spend our time (Eph. 5:16).

**Work.** The Lord wants us to be busy in His kingdom (1 Cor. 3:9), remaining "steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).

**Separate.** The Lord wants us to set ourselves apart from the ways of the world (Rom. 12:2; 1 Pet. 2:11), to keep ourselves pure (1 Pet. 1:15-16; 1 John 2:15-17) and to live godly lives (Tit. 2:11-12).

**Endure.** The Lord wants us to persevere through difficult times as a Christian (2 Tim. 2:3), looking to Jesus as our example for strength (Heb. 12:1-3) and ever pressing on to the eternal goal of heaven (Phil. 3:14).

**Aim.** The Lord wants us to set our sights on the glorious reward of heaven (Matt. 6:20; Col. 3:1-4) and live every day in eager anticipation of the return of Jesus to take the children of God home with Him (Phil. 3:20-21; Tit. 2:13).

God calls upon us to "be faithful," which entails staying true to Him, to His word, to His church, and diligently seeking to please Him above all else! What a wonderful blessing!

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# What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- 1. HEAR THE WORD Romans 10:17
- 2. **BELIEVE IN JESUS** John 3:16; 8:24
- 3. REPENT OF YOUR SINS Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; 2 Corinthians 7:10
- 4. CONFESS THAT JESUS IS LORD Romans 10:9-10 (cf. Acts 8:37)
- 5. BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- 6. REMAIN FAITHFUL 1 Corinthians 15:58; Colossians 1:23; Revelation 2:10

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#### 1. HEAR THE WORD

Romans 10:17 – "So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God."

#### 2. BELIEVE IN JESUS

John 3:16 – "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 8:24 – "...if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins."

#### 3. REPENT OF YOUR SINS

**Luke 13:3**—"...except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." **Acts 17:30**—"And the times of this ignorance God overlooked, but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent." **2 Corinthians 7:10**—"For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death."

#### 4. CONFESS THAT JESUS IS LORD

Romans 10:9-10—"if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Also Matthew 10:32-33; see Acts 8:37 for an example.)

#### 5. BE BAPTIZED FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF YOUR SINS

Mark 16:16—"He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved"; Acts 2:38—"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins..."; Acts 22:16—"Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord"; 1 Peter 3:21—"...baptism doth also now save us..."

#### 6. REMAIN FAITHFUL

Torinthians 15:58—"Therefore...be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord";

Colossians 1:23—"...if ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard": Revelation 2:10—"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

