

# Tallapoosa church of Christ

"And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32

## Welcome Visitors

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We are blessed by your attendance and worshipping with us.

## Prayer Request

- .....
- Linzie Otwell
- Jason Rowell
- John Combs
- Peggy Tidwell
- Deborah Finnell
- Teddy Cauthen
- Bonnie Godwin
- John Carter
- Kasie Gann
- Caitlin Carden
- Sara Stapler
- Chrislee White

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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Martha Payne	3
Alan Wilkerson	5
Linda Pate	7
Shelia Hotalen	10
Harel Otwell	24
Jeremy Isabell	26
Allison Combs	29
Camp Mallory	31

## THE THIEF ON THE CROSS

### MCKINLEY PATE

A LOT OF TIMES, WHEN SPEAKING TO SOMEONE OUTSIDE OF THE CHURCH ON THE NECESSITY OF BAPTISM FOR ONE'S SALVATION, ONE WILL COMMONLY SAY "WHAT ABOUT THE THIEF ON THE CROSS, HE WASN'T BAPTIZED." HERE ARE SOME REASONS THAT ARGUMENT JUST DOESN'T HOLD WATER.

1. NO ONE CAN PROVE WHETHER OR NOT THE THIEF WAS BAPTIZED. I KNOW IT'S NOT THE MAIN POINT, HOWEVER, I GET AGGRAVATED AT PEOPLE TALKING ABOUT THINGS THEY DON'T KNOW. NO ONE KNOWS THE THIEF'S NAME, WHERE HE WAS FROM, NOT EVEN WHAT HE STOLE; BUT FOR SOME REASON EVERYONE KNOWS THAT HE WASN'T BAPTIZED. THE SCRIPTURES DO NOT TELL US ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. IN FACT THERE IS PROBABLY MORE "CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE" THAT HE WAS LIKELY BAPTIZED THAN NOT (SEE MARK 1:4-5)
2. AUTHORITY OF CHRIST—CHRIST HAD THE POWER TO SAVE WHILE ON EARTH. MARK RECORDS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ABOUT CHRIST: "**WHICH IS EASIER, TO SAY TO THE PARALYTIC, 'YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN YOU,' OR TO SAY, 'ARISE, TAKE UP YOUR BED AND WALK'?** **BUT THAT YOU MAY KNOW THAT THE SON OF MAN HAS POWER ON EARTH TO FORGIVE SINS,**" MARK 2:9-10
3. ABOLISHMENT OF THE OLD LAW—CHRIST SAVED THE THIEF UNDER THE OLD LAW. CHRIST WAS STILL ALIVE WHEN HE TOLD THE THIEF "**ASSUREDLY, I SAY TO YOU, TODAY YOU WILL BE WITH ME IN PARADISE,**" LUKE 23:43. ACCORDING TO HEBREWS 9:15-17, CHRIST HAD TO DIE BEFORE THE NEW TESTAMENT WOULD BE IN EFFECT.
4. APPLICABLE TO THE NEW LAW—CHRIST NOW SAVES UNDER THE NEW TESTAMENT. IN MARK 16:15-16 JESUS STATED TO THE APOSTLES "**GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE. HE**

# TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR

{proverbs 3:5 }

## God's Plan of Salvation

1. Hearing the Word of God (Rom.1:30)
2. Confession (Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:9-10)
3. Baptism (1Peter 3:21; Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Rom. 6:3-4)
4. After the above five steps, faithful Christian living (1 Peter 2:11-12; Rev. 2:10)

### This Week Leading Worship:

#### Sunday Morning:



Announcements	Joe Mallory
Song Leader	Cory Payne
Opening Prayer	Harel Otwell
Table	Alan Wilkerson
	Tony Hotalen
Assisting	Brandon Estvanko
	Kenny Laminack
Closing Prayer	Kelly Cauthen

#### Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Cory Payne
Song Leader	Alan Wilkerson
Opening Prayer/Table	Jeremy Isabell
Closing Prayer	Cody Payne

### Next Week Leading Worship:

#### Sunday Morning:

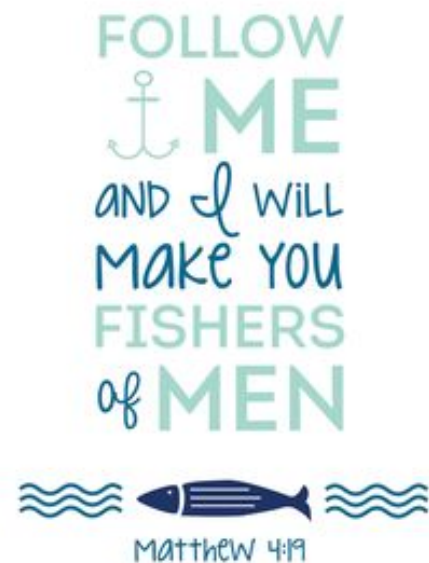


Announcements	Kelly Cauthen
Song Leader	Harel Otwell
Opening Prayer	Wayne Aldridge
Table	Jeremy Isabell
	Caden Mallory
Assisting	Korbin Cauthen
	Brennan Mallory
Closing Prayer	Kenny Laminack

#### Sunday Evening:

Announcements	Jeremy Isabell
Song Leader	Caden Mallory
Opening Prayer/Table	Cory Payne
Closing Prayer	Troy Stapler

**WHO BELIEVES AND IS BAPTIZED WILL BE SAVED; BUT HE WHO DOES NOT BELIEVE WILL BE CONDEMNED.** CHRIST STATED THIS AFTER HIS DEATH. ALL WHO HAVE LIVED AFTER THE DEATH OF CHRIST ARE NOW UNDER THE NEW LAW (SEE HEBREWS 10:7-10). ALSO ACCORDING TO THE NEW LAW, WE ARE TO HAVE A DIFFERENT KIND OF FAITH IN CHRIST. THE THIEF BELIEVED THAT JESUS WAS THE CHRIST, BUT WE ARE COMMANDED TO HAVE NOT ONLY THAT KIND OF FAITH BUT WE ARE TO BELIEVE WHAT THE SCRIPTURES SAY ABOUT THE DEATH, BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS THE CHRIST. **“THAT IF YOU CONFESS WITH YOUR MOUTH THE LORD JESUS AND BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART THAT GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD, YOU WILL BE SAVED,”** ROMANS 10:9. THE THIEF COULD NOT BELIEVE IN THE RESURRECTED CHRIST WHEN CHRIST WAS NOT DEAD AT THAT TIME.



### **Reminders:**

Check bulletin board in foyer

Gospel Meeting Aug 3-5

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Sunday Bible study: 10AM

Sunday Worship: 11AM

Sunday Evening Worship: 5PM

Wednesday Bible study: 7PM

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