

Passion for God.....Compassion for People
April 22, 2012

Clay City Church of Christ

Dates to Remember:

Men's Business Meetings are the first Sunday of each month, immediately following morning worship.

Stanton Nursing Home Services are the third Sunday of each month, beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Church Singings are the second Wednesday of each month.

Our sermon airs each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.**WSKV – 104.9 FM**

Please Lift Up In Prayer:

Anna Vires, Correne Hatton, Joe & Debbie Slone, Donald & Sharon Olinger. Those undergoing medical tests, those going through personal trials, unspoken requests, the elderly in the church, those who have lost loved ones, and those on the church prayer list.

....the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
James 5:16

Our men and women serving in Afghanistan and other war torn areas.

*Greater love hath no man*John 15:13

Hebrews 11:6

The beginning point of faith is the belief that God exists – not just any god, not a somewhere god, not an “everything is God” god. We’re talking about the one true and living God, the only one with the power to do what He wants and the love to give us what we need - Him.

I would love to have been there that morning when the women went to the tomb – expecting to deal with death and instead found life. You may be dealing with death in your own life – the loss of a loved one – the death of a dream – the pain of a broken body. Just as Jesus Christ rose from the dead, He can breathe new life into your heart and mind. Right now, turn to Jesus. He is waiting for you – healing and restoration and new life are in His hands

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Worship Services:

Sunday Morning Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.

Sunday A.M.: Building Up The Church.....M. C. Rice
Sunday P.M.: Problems in the Corinthian ChurchDaniel Newell



When Jesus rose to new life, He gave us a promise... a promise to be with us always. We should remember Jesus' death on the cross each and everyday, not just at Easter.

Thank you, blessed Jesus, for what you did for me at Calvary. The words “Thank you” are so insignificant for the sacrifice you made.

*Greater love hath no man*John 15:13

ENTER TO WORSHIP ... Please turn off all cell phones and prepare to worship God.

Privileged to Serve

Announcements and Sick.....Jody McCoy
Songs of Worship.....

Prayer:

A.M. Prayer before Worship..... Walter Rice
A.M. Closing Prayer..... Joe Slone
P. M. Opening Prayer Jody McCoy
P.M. Closing Prayer Greg Brewer

April:

Communion:

Reading Shane Burgher
Serving Walter Rice & Dan Newell
Communion to the Sick Shane Burgher & Jody McCoy
Collection Charles Rice & Pearl Brewer
Prepare Communion Paula Rice
Cleaning Outside Shane Burgher & Pearl Brewer
Van Driver Shane Burgher

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Forgiveness

An Esteemed English clergyman told J. Wallace Hamilton, "The turning point in my life was when I was 17 years old. I always had trouble with my brothers and sisters. I was called the "black sheep" in the family. We were always fighting each other.

One night they were all picking on me until I could stand it no longer. I jumped up and cried, "I'm getting out of here!" I ran into my grandmother. She had been listening to it all. She stood there in the hallway and stopped me by putting her hand on my shoulder. With tears in her eyes she said only a few words to me, but they changed my life. She said, "*John, I believe in you.*"

Right now, imagine God putting His hand on your shoulder. He says to you, "I've heard everything, and I want you to know, *I believe in you!*"

What a great moment that is! Faith is born anew as you experience His acceptance and forgiveness.

"....we see God's abounding grace forgiving us." Romans 5:20

You are Who God Says You Are

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV)

One of the greatest blessings of becoming a Christian is receiving a new identity. In the Bible, when God touched and changed a person's life, many times He changed his or her name. He said, "You will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow" (Isaiah 62:2). Saul became Paul. Abram became Abraham. Sarai became Sarah. Jacob became Israel. Simon became Peter.

Likewise, when you accepted Christ, God gave you a new identity and a new name. If you want to know who you really are, then you need to look in the Bible and see who God says you are. It may be different from what you've heard others say about you, but which do you think is more accurate? Who do you think has a better perception of who you are, your Creator, or other creatures just like yourself? If you are a Christian today, the following verses describe your new identity.

My Identity in Christ

Matthew 5:13 - I am the salt of the earth.

Matthew 5:14 - I am the light of the world.

John 1:12 - I am a child of God.

John 15:15 - I am part of the true vine, a channel (branch) of Christ's life.

John 15:15 - I am Christ's friend.

John 15:16 - I am chosen and appointed by Christ to bear His fruit.

Romans 8:14,15 - I am a joint-heir with Christ, sharing His inheritance with Him.

I Corinthians 3:16 - I am a temple of God. His Spirit dwells in me.

I Corinthians 12:27 - I am a member (part) of Christ's body

2 Corinthians 5:17 - I am a new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:18,19 I am reconciled to God and am a minister of reconciliation...

Ephesians 1:1 - I am a saint.

Ephesians 1:3 - I am blessed with every spiritual blessing in heavenly places.

Ephesians 1:11 - I am sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit who has been given as a pledge of my inheritance.

Ephesians 2:10 - I am God's workmanship created in Christ to do His work that He planned beforehand that I should do.

Ephesians 4:24 - I am righteous and holy.

Dear God, I thank You that I am a new creation in Christ. I admit that sometimes I feel just like the old me and act like the old me, but I believe by faith that I am brand new. Thank You that my identity is based on my position in Christ rather than my performance on earth.

S. Jaynes