

**ROGERSVILLE
CHURCH OF CHRIST
DECEMBER 22, 2024**



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SUN AM Bible Class. .9:00 a.m.
SUN AM Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
SUN PM Worship 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
Tues. Bible Study. . . . 10:00 a.m.

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What is the Gospel? (Part 3)

For too long, the Gospel has been reduced to a series of propositional doctrinal statements one must intellectually assent to in order to experience personal forgiveness of sin and receive the promise of going to some sort of ethereal, non-material, spiritual “heaven” after death. While it is impossible to ignore the implications of the Gospel on a personal level and its attendant benefits, this treatise is an attempt to recover a more holistic understanding of the Gospel in light of its corporate elements that have implications not only for eternity but also for the present reality of Christian existence.

Gospel Defined: The Gospel is the story of God’s activity in salvation history to reconcile creation to God as revealed in Scripture. From creation to the call of Abraham, from exodus to exile, from Christ to church to consummation, God has been at work in the course of human history to bring about salvation. Salvation occurs when the Gospel is both encountered and embodied in the life of the believing community.

Exodus: Jesus. Exodus is our communal redemption story. Scripture affirms that God is a faithful covenant partner whose love endures forever. Out of this great love, God wills to redeem God’s covenant community. In Jesus Christ, God works to liberate God’s covenant people out of exile and estrangement. Scripture affirms that the fully divine Second Person of the Trinity, God the Son, became flesh in the person of a first-century Jewish peasant named Jesus of Nazareth. As a fully divine person, Jesus is the embodiment of God’s covenant faithfulness to God’s people. This is love: not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins (1 John 4:10). As a fully human person, Jesus is the exemplar of human faithfulness to covenant with God. In short, Jesus fully images God. Through His death on the cross, Jesus atones for the sins of humanity and restores the broken image of God in us. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin so that in him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Cor. 5). In His bodily resurrection, Jesus demonstrates God’s victory over death and emancipates God’s covenant people from the bondage of exile. The sacrament of baptism is our participation in the redemptive work of God in Christ by claiming His story as our story. By identifying with Christ in baptism, new creation occurs. Sins are forgiven. Imago Dei is restored. And community is made possible once again. These are characteristics of the Kingdom reign of God, which Jesus inaugurates in this exodus act of redemption.

-- Jason Bybee, Lead Minister Mayfair church of Christ --

Today’s Service – December 22	
Morning	Evening
Opening Prayer Stephen Embry	Opening Prayer Clay McMeans
Preside/Reading Derek Pigg	Bible Reading Brock Owens
Closing Prayer Stephen Embry	SINGING
Lord’s Supper to Shut-Ins Randall Tucker	Closing Prayer David Myers
Wednesday December 25	
<i>Christmas Devotional</i>	
Sunday 12/29/24	
Morning	Evening
Opening Prayer Mike Fry	Opening Prayer Reid Newton
Preside/Reading Stephen Speake	Bible Reading David Patterson
Closing Prayer Patton Jones	Lead Singing David Myers
Lord’s Supper to Shut-ins Matt Webster	Closing Prayer Daniel Nix
Lock Up Building	
12/22 SUN AM Reid Newton	12/29 SUN AM Terrell Phillips
12/22 SUN PM Marc Peck	12/29 SUN PM Stephen Speake
12/25 WED James Embry	1/01 WED Bobby Street
Sound Room	
December 18-31 Bobby Street, Stephen Speake	
January 1-15 Shane Lee, Jordan Nix	
Prepare Communion	
December 15 & 22 Jean Ann Tucker, Janie Wright	
December 29 Morris Lentz	
Baptismal Garments December	
Janie Wright	
Annex Set Up	
December Mickey & Rhonda Beavers	
January Mike Fry	
Attendance	Contribution
12/15 SUN BIBLE CLASS 168	12/15 \$8,865.00
12/15 SUN AM 233	Budget \$11,577.00
12/15 SUN PM. 97	
12/18 WED. 108	

Sick

Peggy Williams fell Wednesday and was taken to the hospital.
Sam Adams had surgery for a torn ACL.
Christy Reeves is improving and now at home.
Faye Bedingfield has Covid and is in Mitchell Hollingsworth Rehab.
Betty Grisham is in NAMC room 5111.
Linda Haraway had a knee replacement. She is now at home.
Mary Ann Kerr is now at home and her husband, **Jerry**, is back in the hospital.
Martha Flanagan is at home.
Joseph Miele, father of Jasmine Jones, is now at home.
Harrison Bobo, newborn great-grandson of Randy & Glenda Pyle, is in Vanderbilt and in need of prayers.

Extended Illness:

Genell McLemore, **Cecil Haraway**, **Dude Weathers**, **Jerry Bedingfield**, **Sylvia Lentz**, **John Embry** (father of Melia Owens and brother to James Embry), **Barry Bedingfield** (brother-in-law of Linda Chambers), **Whitney Skipworth** (friend of Shirley Haraway), **Oaklynn Jackson** (daughter of Eli & Taylor Gordon Jackson and granddaughter of Tammy Gordon), donations to **Bank Independent "Oaklynn Jackson Benefit Fund"** to help with expenses, **Kim Grimes** (daughter of Glen & Vauda Wilson), **Marleigh Gilbert**, **Rachael Weir**, **Keith Davis** (cousin to Donnie Lane), **Dennis Raney**, **Mattie Pugh**, **Larry Pugh** (relatives of Floyd & Millie Goode), **Larry Bailey** (friend of Gearld Whitman), **Nick Gervais** (graduate of LCHS), **Julia Bedingfield**, **Sara Wolfe Butler** (friend of Kim Lane)

Shut-Ins

Diane Embry (home), **Mary Ann Kerr** (home), **Vera Cox** (LCNH), **Neal Trousdale** (home), **Vella Green** (Rm 2308 Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home, 7054 Veterans Pkwy, Pell City, AL 35125), **Willie Mae Eldridge** (El Reposo 4), **Alice Ezell** (home), **Bob Fay** (Avita of Brunswick, 89 Admiral Fitch Ave., Brunswick, ME 04011), **Mahlon & Gladys Graham** (home), **Dixie Kelly** (home), **Emma Smith** (22050 Indian Trace, Athens, AL 35613)

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to the family of Frank Embry, uncle of James Embry.

Christmas Party Tonight

We will have a church-wide Christmas party tonight in the annex following the evening service. We ask for you to bring a drink and finger foods while wearing your best tacky Christmas apparel. We look forward to beginning this new tradition and pray that the time of fellowship will be an encouragement to all! Questions? Ask Scott

Message From the Elders Fifth Sunday Contribution Update

The Elders extend our sincerest gratitude to each of you for your generous contributions made over the last 10 fifth Sundays. Thanks to your unwavering support and dedication, \$98,000, plus other donations above our regular contribution has been raised to pay off our Annex building mortgage debt. The mortgage was paid off 23 months early, saving the Church \$15,612.00 in interest expense.

Your generosity has not only helped to significantly reduce our debt, but it has allowed us to continue our church mission and community outreach.

Moving forward, we will continue to use fifth Sunday contributions above our regular budget to pay on debt service for two items, the church bus (\$62,400) and the church building (\$174,000).

Thank you again for your generosity, and dedication to the work of the Church. We are truly blessed to have such a wonderful Church Family.

Wednesday Service

December 25 – Christmas Devotional – All classes meet in the auditorium
January 01 – New Year Prayer Service – All classes meet in the auditorium

Tuesday Bible Class

The Tuesday morning Bible class will not meet again until January 7.

Wednesday Night Meal

Wednesday night meals will resume January 8.

Week 52
December 22-28
Jeremiah 43-52, Joel,
Obadiah, Jonah, Haggai,
Malachi, Revelation
(46 chapters)



2025
Week 01
January 05-11
Genesis
(50 chapters)



MEMBER

Please scan QR code or fill out a visitor's card so we may have a record of your attendance. Thank you for being with us today!



VISITOR