

# MARKET STREET

*"And this is the message we have received of Him, and declare unto you..." (1 John 1:5)*



# MESSENGER

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## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship..... 5:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Bible Classes..... 7:00 p.m.

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*David A. Cox, Editor*

## *The Model Prayer*

**Adam Willingham**

We are all familiar with what is commonly referred to as "The Lord's Prayer" (Matthew 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4). I prefer to call it the model prayer. It is a short prayer that Jesus taught as a format to model our own prayers after. It is essentially a set of categories. Each category, worded with wide-ranging shorthand expressions, can be greatly expanded upon. Notice that Jesus said, "Pray, then, in this way" (Matthew 6:9), not, "Pray, then, with these words." We are to learn from the model prayer the way or manner of prayer.

Consider the six categories of the model prayer below:

1. **Prelude:** "Our Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 6:9). When we begin a prayer, our address to Him should always be uttered with proper reverence and humility. It can be worded in different ways and can be short or long.

2. **Praise:** "Hallowed be Your name" (Matthew 6:9). Hallowed means "sanctified" or "made holy." The idea is sanctifying God's name. This is the all-important category of praise. Note that praise comes before any petition in this prayer, a general rule of thumb to remember in our own prayers.

3. **Purpose:** "Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (Matthew 6:10). Though God's kingdom is now in existence, we should certainly pray that God's kingdom would thrive and grow. This is the same as praying that God's will would be done on earth. In practical terms, this means praying that men will seek God and serve Him. It means praying for God's will to be done in our own lives, in our families, in the church, in this country and around the world.

4. **Provision:** "Give us this day our daily bread" (Matthew 6:11). Bread here represents all the provisions of life: food, water, money, clothing, shelter, health and so forth. This part of the prayer is an expression of daily dependence upon God for everything we need in order to exist.

5. **Pardon:** "And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors" (Matthew 6:12). Praying for forgiveness of sins is a necessary element of our prayer lives. Most Christians do this frequently. The question is, do we ask that God will forgive us in the same way we have forgiven those who've sinned against us? This is fundamental and should not be

overlooked.

6. **Power:** “And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil” (Matthew 6:13). This is asking for power to overcome temptation through the strength which God provides. More than that, it is asking God to help us avoid situations in which we would be tempted to sin.

Do you know how to pray? If not, you can learn from the model prayer how to pray in a well-balanced, personal manner. Using the model prayer as a blueprint for your own daily prayers can literally transform your prayer life if you put it to use, as Jesus intended.

~via *The Palm Springs Drive*; Altamont Springs, Florida.



## *No Wishing For Elsewhere*

**Jeff Himmel**

The hymn “How Beautiful Heaven Must Be” isn’t one of my favorites from a stylistic standpoint, but I’ve long been struck by one particular line: “In heaven no drooping nor pining, no wishing for elsewhere to be.”

We all know what it’s like to be someplace and find ourselves wishing we were someplace else. Maybe it happens at school, or at the dentist, or at the DMV. (Hopefully it doesn’t happen at worship assemblies!) Worse, I’m afraid some folks waste half their lives wishing they could be elsewhere instead of making the best of where they are right now.

But can you imagine a place of such beauty that you never tire of its sights? A place of such joy that it never gets boring? A place so wonderful that you never again wish to be somewhere else? Well, although the Bible doesn’t give us a detailed description of heaven, it’s fair to say that it’s portrayed as that kind of place.

Some folks imagine heaven as a place where they can endlessly pursue their favorite pastimes— fishing, hunting, sports, music, macramé, tinkering with old cars. Maybe they figure that’s the only way they could keep from getting bored in eternity. But besides the fact that Scripture says nothing at all about such things, that seems a pretty selfish vision of heaven. Instead, the Bible

emphasizes a condition of perfect fellowship with God and His saints, of resting in God’s provision and peace.

“Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away” (Revelation 21:3-4).

“And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it...and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb’s book of life” (Revelation 21:23-27).

“There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him; they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever” (Revelation 22:3-5).

Indeed, why would we want to be anywhere else?

~via *Plant City Planter*; Plant City, Florida.



## *Spare Us*

**Buc Chumbley**

Pope Francis arrived in America last fall to much fanfare. The President and First Lady met him at the airport. From there he was driven to the White House down streets lined with people trying to get a glimpse. On Thursday of that week, the Pope addressed a joint session of Congress, while the Speaker of the House John Boehner wiped tears from his eyes. He is universally loved and respected, his poll numbers put every politician to shame and I just don’t get it.

The message he pontificates is filled with political correctness, anti-capitalism and humanism. He loves to lecture America on topics like global warming and the atrocities our ancestors committed against the Native Americans, while overlooking the imprisonment and genocide committed by the Castro brothers who have ruled Cuba for nearly 60 years.

He will lecture America for what he sees as excesses of wealth while he lives in the most wealthy and excessive country palace on earth. He will condemn America for not accepting every immigrant and refugee who wants to come here, while ignoring the truth that America takes in more immigrants and refugees each year than all the other nations in the world combined. Oh, he will mention the golden rule and remind us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life. Yet, he seemingly can't bring himself to say the words abortion or Planned Parenthood.

To some Pope Francis and every Pope before him represent the "man of sin" that Paul spoke about in 2 Thessalonians 2.3. He is nothing more than the leader of a 4th century Apostate church which has been guilty of crimes against true followers of Christ throughout the centuries. Crimes that would make ISIS look like the junior team that President Obama likes to call them.

So, go back to your ivory tower and spare us of your "ex cathedra." Give me the bible and Jesus Christ that's all I need.

~via *Hueytown Bulletin*; Hueytown, Alabama.

## *Gospel Meeting*

September 11-15, 2016

(Sunday through Thursday)

### Schedule of Services

Sunday 9:30 a.m.; 10:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.  
Monday through Thursday- 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Roberts, Speaking

### **MARKET STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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# *News & Notes...*

### **THE SICK:**

JoAnn Gilbert  
Reba Byram  
Patsy Thomas  
Doris Lovell  
Wayne Gooch  
Shaun Carruth  
Linda Jones

Joe Leopard  
Cindy Glass  
Irene Inman  
Gilbert Hardy  
Ann Bush  
Charlie Christopher

### *Those Undergoing Treatments or Chronic Illness:*

Ella Melvin  
Mot Dollar  
Janice Cagle  
Gene Carpenter  
Linda Ordonez  
Al Pollard  
Elizabeth Howard  
Phillip Harwell  
Shayna Tollison  
Anita Willis  
Diane Kilpatrick

Gayle Ball  
Jeanette Weir  
Eli Williams  
Betty League  
Charles Burns  
Ava Brooke Campbell  
Matt Poff  
Una King Currier  
Daniel Ogles  
Jenny Pickens  
Cindy Walker

### *In The Hospital:*

#### *Athens Rehabilitation & Senior Care:*

Nelva Reed, rm. 61	William Thomas, rm. 70
Judith Groce, rm. 10-B	Dorothy Draper, rm. 104
Matty Murray, rm. 2	Helen Trousdale, rm. 30
Valeria Dalton, rm. 7	Grady Tomerlin, rm. 38
Terry Camp, rm. 82	Mildred Frantz, rm. 31
Gayle Mills, rm. 15	Evelyn Hogan, rm. 36
Mable Crafts, rm. 39	Christine Hudson, rm. 77

#### *Limestone Health Facility:*

Jerry Gilbert, rm. 55	Charlie Christopher, rm 95
Geneva Davis, rm. 14-E	Glenda Lankford, rm. 117

#### *Shut-In or Away From Home:*

Robert & Mot Beasley, at Merrill Gardens, Madison  
Hazel Brooks, Nursing Home in Pulaski, Tennessee  
Gwen Bullock, at granddaughter's in Huntsville  
Wynell Casteel, at home  
Marjorie DUNNAVANT, at Brookdale Farms, Huntsville  
Mary Ruth Gardner, at Merrill Gardens, Madison  
Carl Hargrave, at granddaughter's home in Hartselle  
Essie Hardison, at home  
Ruby Jean Tinnon, at home

**SYMPATHY:** We want to extend our deepest sympathy to *Judy Brown* and *all the family*, in the passing

of Judy's mother, *Katherine Woodfin*, on Thursday July 28th. Her funeral was last Saturday at Ardmore Chapel. She was laid to rest in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Ardmore... Also, we extend our deepest sympathy to *Joel Hamm* and *all the family* in the passing of Joel's mother, *Betty Hamm*, last Sunday. Her funeral was Wednesday morning at Limestone Chapel. She was laid to rest in the Roselawn Cemetery.

**GOSPEL MEETING:** The *Oakland church* is beginning a gospel meeting today and it will continue through Friday evening. *Jason Shackelford* will be the speaker in this meeting.

**SINGING:** The *Weatherly Heights church* will be having its annual singing Friday night, August 12th at 7:00. *Tim Stevens, John Kilgore and Jackie Bradford* will be leading the singing.

**YOUTH STUDY:** The *Anderson church* will have its youth study on Saturday, August 13th. There will be morning and afternoon sessions. *Kevin Clark* will be the speaker.

**OUT OF TOWN:** *Mike Ogles* is in San Diego, California this weekend... *The Todds: Seth, Summer, Isabella & Weston* have been on vacation at the Gulf... *The Bradleys: Steve and Marilyn* are in Houston, Texas.

**NURSING HOME SINGING:** Remember the singing at the Athens Rehabilitation and Senior Care on Tuesday afternoon at 5:30.

**WORK GROUPS:** Work Group one will be meeting this evening after our evening service. If you are in group one, remember to meet with your group.

**THE RECORD:** *Average Attendance for the month of July*

Sunday:	Bible Classes .....	141
	Morning Worship .....	183
	Evening Worship .....	141
Wednesday:	Bible Classes .....	122



### Remember Our Study Periods

Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.

*Come Join Us As We Study Together*

### Men Privileged To Serve:

**Sunday, August 7th:**

#### Morning Worship

Announcements.....	Joel Hamm
Song Leader .....	Tyler Cox
Prayer.....	Keith Hinkle
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper	
Presiding.....	Dwaine Allfrey
Assisting .....	Tommy Coblenz
Serving .....	Heath Dollar .....
	Marion Mitchell
	Marvin Putman .....
	Russ Wulfekuhl
Closing Prayer .....	Kenneth Adams

#### Evening Worship

Announcements.....	Joel Hamm
Song Leader .....	Stefan Fudge
Prayer.....	Marcus Morris
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper .....	Dwaine Allfrey
Closing Prayer .....	Jordan Lovell

Other Assignments for Sunday, August 7th:

Ushers.....	Danny Johnson/Steve Usery
Work Sound System.....	Marty Adams

**Wednesday, August 10th:**

Song Leader .....	Tommy Burns
Bible Reading .....	Galatians 1:10-24
.....	Jason Conn
Prayer.....	Harvey Nixon
Invitation .....	David Cox
Closing Prayer .....	Tony Thomas

**Sunday, August 14th:**

#### Morning Worship

Announcements.....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Joel Hamm
Prayer.....	A. J. Price
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper	
Presiding.....	Steve Usery
Assisting .....	Marty Adams
Serving .....	Charles Vaughn .....
	Seth Todd
	Nathaniel Adams.....
	Keenon Carrier
Closing Prayer .....	Arvid McGuire

#### Evening Worship

Announcements.....	Jerry McGlocklin
Song Leader .....	Tommy Burns
Prayer.....	Kenneth Smith
Preaching.....	David Cox
Lord's Supper .....	Steve Usery
Closing Prayer .....	Mike Ogles

Other Assignments for Sunday, August 14th:

Ushers.....	Larry Mitchell/Marcus Morris
Work Sound System.....	Terry Andrews