

Welcome

Laings, Ohio Church of Christ, December 12th, 2021



Those who will be serving in our worship today:

Announcements	Andrew Beasley
Song Leader	Brian Tomlin
Scripture Reader	Andrew Beasley
Opening Prayer	Pete Eikleberry
Sermon	Andrew Beasley
Lord's Table Leader	Don Bayes
Server	Derrick Landefeld
Server	Tom Frye
Server	Cooper Thompson
Closing Prayer	Tim Frye

**Laings
Church of Christ**
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Times of Meeting:
Sunday
Bible Classes
10:30 AM
Worship Services
11:00 AM
Wednesday
Cancelled due to COVID

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Today's Sermons

A.M.
"The Divine Platform for
Unity"

Scripture Reading AM

Ephesians 4:1-6

P.M.
Postponed

Scripture Reading PM

NA

You are invited back to all our services!!

What To Say To Visitors (by Dan Jenkins)

So many know the first and greatest commandment—to love the Lord God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength. A vital question to be answered, “Is there any way I can know that I really do love Him like He wants me to love Him? Has God given me any guidelines to measure my love?”

We are so blessed that He has told us. Before Moses repeated the Ten Commandments the second time in Deuteronomy, he told the Jews they should seek the Lord with all their heart and soul (Deut. 4:29). The commandments are found in chapter five and then in chapter six he gives God’s greatest commandment about loving Him above all else (Deut. 6:5). In chapter 13, Moses gives God’s test so the Jews could know if they truly loved God.

He told Israel that the time would come when false prophets and dreamers would arise and seek to lead them away from the will of God. He even described the signs and wonders that might accompany their message. Read his words carefully. “You shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the Lord your God is testing you to know whether you love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.” (Deut. 13:3). Here is the test! God allows the presence of teachers with amazing abilities to come to His people to test them! Our response to keeping His commandments is the visible manifestation of the kind of love we have in our hearts. While we may think we love the Lord and we may feel deeply that we love Him, God gives us this visible test so that we can know!

How serious is God about this? The Jews were instructed to put that teacher to death. His suaveness is described as the way he was enticing them to ignore what God said (Deut. 13:5). How serious was it? Even if the teacher was your brother, your child or your best friend, he was to die! He had secretly brought his ideas to entice you to ignore God. He was to show no pity, nor should provisions be made to spare him or conceal him or his actions (Deut. 13:6-8).

In fact, you were told to cast the first stone to bring about the death of this loved relative or friend and then the nation should do as you had done. You were to continue throwing stones until the one you loved so much was dead (Deut. 13:9-10). Your love for this person must never be greater than your love for God.

In your life you will face this test. Your decision to become a Christian demands you love God more than family or friends. You likely will be confronted by teachers you respect and love. Remember that how you respond in this situation is God’s visible way to measure your love. Do not fail this test!

Amended Service Schedule

We certainly want to take a moment to welcome everyone to our services. We are thankful that the Coronavirus vaccine is becoming more and more readily available. Because of this we have decided to resume our Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30 am, and worship will begin approximately at 11 am. For the time being Sunday and Wednesday evening services remain cancelled. In the coming months we will evaluate how to best proceed with those services.

Facebook Group

Be sure to follow the Laings church of Christ facebook group. News is regularly updated there.

For the Record:

A.M. Sun. 12/5	42
P.M. Sun. 12/5	NR
Wed. 12/8	NR
Offering: \$1310.00	

In Need of Prayer

Pat McGuire-US Navy, recovering from an emergency appendectomy
Paul Turner - pancreatic cancer, receiving radiation treatment.
Kurt Thomas - cancer, not doing well.
Phyllis Moore’s daughter in law Amanda - cancer, but she is doing some better.
Phyllis Moore’s son in law - continue to pray for him.
Trey Nelms - recovering, no longer in a medically induced coma, but still some ways to go in his battle against Covid.

In Need of Prayer/F.Y.I.

Becky Ninni - cancer, scheduled for surgery on January 3rd. It will be very long and complex so please pray not only for her, but also the doctors and surgeons caring for her.

- There are a number of sign up sheets on the foyer news board. Please take a look and see if you would be willing to help and/or participate in any, or all, of those things.

Please update Andrew about those on the prayer list. They will be deleted after 4 weeks if there are no updates.

Please note the last person out of the church building please turn off all the lights. Thank you!