



BLODGETT CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Time of Services:

Sunday: 10:00 A.M. class, 11:00 A.M. worship, and 6:00 P.M. worship

Wednesday: 7:00 P.M. class

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Pledge of Allegiance

When I was a child, our family used to sit in front of our black and white television and watch the Red Skelton Show. This was a comedy hour in which Red Skelton portrayed several characters. Every once in a while he would come out on stage and talk about something on a more serious note. The following is one of those moments in 1969 when he spoke on The Pledge of Alliance as he remembered its meaning from his favorite teacher. The following is a direct quote from the YOU-TUBE video of that speech. Since this is nearing the 4th of July, I thought it appropriate to share it with you. I hope you enjoy it. ~Larry

“When I was a small boy in Vincennes, Indiana, I heard, I think, one of the most outstanding speeches I ever heard in my life. I think it compares with the Sermon on the Mount, Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address, and Socrates’ Speech to the Students.

We had just finished reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and he [Mr. Lasswell, the Principal of Vincennes High School] called us all together, and he says, “Uh, boys and girls, I have been listening to you recite the Pledge of Allegiance all semester, and it seems that it has become monotonous to you. Or, could it be, you do not understand the meaning of each word? If I may, I would like to recite the pledge, and give you a definition for each word:

I -- Me; an individual; a committee of one.

Pledge -- Dedicate all of my worldly good to give without self-pity.

Allegiance -- My love and my devotion.

To the Flag -- Our standard. “Old Glory”; a symbol of courage. And wherever she waves, there is respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts “Freedom is everybody’s job.”

of the United -- That means we have all come together.

States -- Individual communities that have united into 48 great states; 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose; all divided by imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common cause, and that's love of country --

Of America.

And to the Republic -- A Republic: a sovereign state in which power is invested into the representatives chosen by the people to govern; and the government is the people; and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands

One Nation -- Meaning "so blessed by God."

Indivisible -- Incapable of being divided.

With Liberty -- Which is freedom; the right of power for one to live his own life without fears, threats, or any sort of retaliation.

And Justice -- The principle and qualities of dealing fairly with others.

For All -- For All. That means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

Now let me hear you recite the Pledge of Allegiance: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic, for which it stands; one nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country, two stars to our flag, and two words have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance: Under God. Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, 'That is a prayer' -- and that be eliminated from our schools, too?" Red Skelton - 1969

Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: {14} But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life. John 4:13-14 (KJV)

Family News

- **Sharon Fields** is still awaiting the results from test on her back.
- Tonight following the evening service there will be an ice-cream fellowship plus a farewell to **Chase Vaughn** and family as they will be leaving soon for Germany.
- **Kyle Vaughn** passed away last week and his service was yesterday.
- **Kenlea Bolton** has been sick with strep.
- July pantry item for HRR is potato soup.

TIME OF SERVICES UPDATE:

The men of the congregation met and decided to return to the original time of services. Beginning next week, Sunday morning Bible class will be at 10:00 a.m. followed by worship at 11:00. Sunday evening worship will be a 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday class at 7:00 p.m. In October, consideration will be given to changing the evening service times during the winter months to adjust to the early darkness.

Science says that we need at least 4 basic elements to survive.

1. Water
2. Air
3. Food
4. Light

And look what the bible tells us about Jesus.

1. I am the living water - John 4:10
2. I am the breath of life - Acts 17:25
3. I am the bread of life - John 6:48
4. I am the light of the world - John 8:12

SCIENCE WAS RIGHT! WE NEED JESUS TO LIVE!

The devil's not anything but a snake, and one thing about snakes is they don't have arms or legs. That's because Satan has been "dis-armed" and "de-feeted." Submitted by Annika Bell