



**Sugar Grove
Church of Christ**
FOR GOD & FOR NEIGHBOR

Worship

Theology

At Sugar Grove Church of Christ, we recognize that worship is a response to all that God is with all that we are.¹ As those who have been created in the image of God and designed to worship, sin shifts our worship from the Creator onto created things.² But through the cross we are adopted back into God's family and can once again cry out "Abba Father" as sons and daughters.³ This response is the result of the Holy Spirit as He engages our penitent hearts reacting to the truth of God.⁴ Worship is not limited to any moment in time or location, though it is certainly experienced in times of reflection both corporately and privately.⁵ For God's people, worship has always included a number of activities including living sacrificial lives, pursuing justice, and seeking righteousness for all people.⁶

1. Genesis 22:1-14, Romans 12:1-2
2. I Chronicles 16:23-34, Ecclesiastes 3:11, Isaiah 29:13, Luke 18:9-14,
3. John 4:21-24
4. Isaiah 57:15, Isaiah 66:2, Romans 8:26-27,
5. I Corinthians 14:1-40
6. Psalm 40:3, Isaiah 1:10-17, Isaiah 58:1-14, Micah 6:8, Romans 12:1-21, James 1:27

Philosophy

In response to the cross and the gifting of the Holy Spirit, the elders affirm Sugar Grove Church of Christ to be a place where God alone is worthy of our worship.

Practice

At Sugar Grove Church of Christ, we will worship God by giving Him authority over every area of our church and honoring Him in all that we do. We will also love our neighbors by consistently presenting Jesus to them in the hope of seeing them one-day worship Him.