

COLLINSVILLE-TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST

1400 Troy Road, Collinsville, Illinois 62234

Focus on God's Word Find the Truth Follow the Lord



Sunday Worship Assembly 9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Classes (All Ages) 11:00 AM
Wednesday Adult Bible Class 1:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Classes (All Ages) 7:00 PM



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Serrefine

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1 3-year-old Evan O'Dorney of Danville, CA took home the 2007 Scripps National Spelling Bee championship by spelling the medical term serrefine (small forceps). Spelling bees have been around since before we were children, but seem to be getting new life these days, with the finals of the spelling bee making prime time on ABC. I applaud this, because correct spelling is having a hard time competing with email and text messaging short cuts. [RU4it?]

Jesus commented about spelling: "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled" (Matthew 5:17-18). The jot referred to is the Hebrew letter yod, the smallest letters in the alphabet. The tittle referred to a small marking that distinguished some Hebrew letters from others. Both served significant purposes for understanding, despite being very small.

Jesus stressed the importance of the law and obedience to it, and that His life and ministry would fulfill the law. His death brought reconciliation. "For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace; And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby" (Ephesians

2:14-16).

"And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross; And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it" (Colossians 2:13-15). He fulfilled every jot and tittle of the law, just as He promised. His life and death spells hope for us—and that is a spelling bee we all need to win!

- Bob Prichard serves as an elder and evangelist for the Hillview Church of Christ in Birmingham, Alabama, since 2016.
- Article obtained from www.bulletingold.com

Lads to Leaders

Convention

Faith Works

April 2 to 5, 2026

Louisville, KY

Gospel Meeting

Rejoice Always

With Jeff Phillips

April 10 & 11, 7:00 PM

April 12, 9:30 AM

Food Giveaway

April 25, 2026

9:00 AM

I AM THE DOOR

John 10:7-10

- He is the only Door- v. 7-8
 - ◊ All before Jesus were thieves- John 4:38, Ephesians 2:20, Acts 5:36-37
 - ◊ He alone provides access to spiritual blessings- Romans 5:1-2, Ephesians 1:3, 2:18, 1 Corinthians 12:13, Galatians 3:27

- Those who enter will go in and out- v. 9-10
 - ◊ Protection- Matthew 10:28, Hebrews 13:6, Ephesians 6:6-10, Romans 8:35-39
 - ◊ Provision- 2 Corinthians 9:8, Philippians 4:19, Matthew 5:6, 1 Peter 2:2

Notes:

Worship Service

Announcements

Song: 949 I Will Enter His Gates

Song: 244 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

Prayer

Song: 495 O the Depth and the Riches

Lord's Supper and Contribution

Song: 883 Seek Ye First

Song: 350 Jesus, Hold My Hand (Vs. 1, 3)

Scripture Reading: John 10:7-10

Sermon

Song: 207 Hark! The Gentle Voice

Song: 810 Jesus Loves Me (Vs. 1)

Prayer

John 10:7-10

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JESUS
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 AGAIN
 MOST
 ASSUREDLY
 DOOR
 SHEEP
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 ROBBERS
 ANYONE
 ENTERS
 SAVED
 PASTURE
 THIEF
 STEAL
 KILL
 DESTROY
 LIFE
 ABUNDANTLY

John 10:7-10 (NKJV)

- ⁷ Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep.
- ⁸ All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them.
- ⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.
- ¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

Why Worship?

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. John 4:23