

THINK ON THESE THINGS (Philippians 4:8)

The Lord's Supper

AM Sermon - Paul Stone

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Pray: Josiah, Helen Spicer, Emily Hatley,

Traveling/Working: Ben, Carla and family

Radio Programs: Listen to "Searching the scriptures", our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture: "And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, **This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.** Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.**" Luke 22:19-20 (KJV (WS))

Wisdom for Today: "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." Isaiah 53:5 (KJV (WS))

PM Sermon: - Michael Couch

Attendance Last Sunday - 74/41 Our Record: 107

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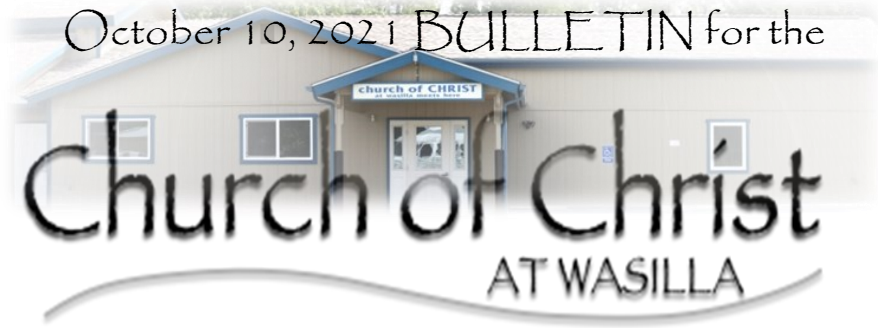
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God's Plan of Salvation

HearRomans 10:17
 BelieveMark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6
 Repent Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10
 Confess Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 10:32-33
 Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16
 Remain Faithful.....Matt 24:13; Rev 2:10; James 1:12

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

CONTACT INFORMATION

MEETING TIMES

Sunday:
 Bible Classes: 10AM
 AM Worship: 11AM
 PM Worship: 5PM

Wednesday:
 Bible Study: 7PM

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"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us

The Lord's Supper
Bill Beebe

There are two things that the first century church did that were done only on the first day of the week. These are collection of free will offerings; "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."¹ Corinthians 16:2 (KJV (WS)), and observance of the Lord's Supper; "And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight." Acts 20:7 (KJV (WS)) The other things that the church does when it meets together; singing, praying, fellowship, and teaching or preaching can be and were done on other days of the week; "And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ". Acts 5:42 (KJV (WS))

When Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper the evening before He was betrayed He made it clear what the parts of the supper represented. "And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, **Take, eat; this is my body.**"²⁷ And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, **Drink ye all of it;**²⁸ **For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.**²⁹ **But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.**" Matthew 26:26-29 (KJV (WS)) The bread represents His body, while the juice represents His blood. In 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (KJV (WS)) the Apostle Paul writes "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, **Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.** After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, **This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come**". This is of note because it is the first mention of the Lord's Supper in relation to a specific congregation of the church. Paul went on to issue a warning about those who partake in this sacrament. In 1 Corinthians 11:27-29

go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

(KJV (WS)) he writes "Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."

So we are instructed to observe this sacrament, and we have examples of this being observed by the early church (Acts 2:42, Acts 20:7). It is apparent that those who partake the Lord's Supper:

- Are Christians; having heard the gospel (Romans 10:14), believed it (Romans 10:11), confessed their belief that Jesus is the Son of God (Romans 10:9-10), repented of their sins (Acts 2:38), having been baptized by immersion in water for the remission of their sins and thereby calling on the Lord (Acts 22:16).
- Take it on the first day of the week (Acts 20:7)
- Take it on the first day of every week. Since every week has a first day and we are commanded to take the Lord's Supper on the first day, it follows that we take it on the first day of every week.

Because 1 Corinthians is written to the Christians in Corinth and Paul was meeting with Christians when they broke bread on the first day of the week we can understand that there are some restrictions to partaking of the Lord's Supper, these include:

- People that are not Christians (i.e. have not heard the gospel, do not believe it, have not confessed Jesus, failed to repent, and/or have not been baptized by immersion in water for the forgiveness of their sins) should not take it
- It can not be offered on any other day than the first day of each week.

Schedule of Events

Work day this coming Saturday at 10:00 AM. We will clean the office and inventory the teaching and evangelism material, mail letters to new movers and do some work on the building and storage shed.