THE LORD'S SUPPER: A Weekly Reminder of a Once-in-a-lifetime Wonder

When Jesus uttered the words, "Do this in remembrance of Me," He was sitting at the table with His 12 apostles. The occasion was the Passover Supper, which was the annual commemoration of the redemption from slavery for the Israelites. The original menu for the very first Passover meal included Lamb and bitter herbs and unleavened bread. At the time that Jesus sat down with the twelve, we know there was wine on the table as well, because Jesus blessed the bread and the wine during the meal, teaching them that these emblems were now symbols of the New Covenant in His blood, not the blood of a lamb.

So, today, we still assemble on the first day of the week to celebrate the Lord's Supper, because that is the will of our Lord revealed in the scriptures. The Lord's people meet on the Lord's day to share in the Lord's Supper. The Lord is Jesus because He is the Lamb of God who paid the price for our sins. That is the message of the gospel: that Jesus was resurrected from the dead and now anyone who partakes of His death will partake of His life by repenting of their sins and being baptized in the name of the LORD.

There were only twelve disciples joining with Jesus on that night, but, as a result of the gospel going into the world, there are now many people who come to the table to do this in remembrance of Jesus. They are those who have been baptized in the name of Jesus and now are redeemed by the blood of the Lamb, and that means they are baptized members of the LORD's Church.

When God taught the Jews about the Passover He made it clear that no foreigner could partake of it unless he wanted to become like a Jew, which required circumcision under the Old Testament. But, if a foreigner was willing to be circumcised, then they could partake in the Passover just like a native-born Jew.

Exodus 12:48 If a stranger shall sojourn with you and would keep the Passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised. Then he may come near and keep it; he shall be as a native of the land. But no uncircumcised person shall eat of it.

God is so gracious in extending the benefits of redemption to those who are not yet redeemed, but that is because He invites everyone to be redeemed. That is why everyone should want to be redeemed, baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.



That meets at 701 South Wilbur, Sayre, PA 18840 (570) 886-1838 Arthur Barry, Evangelist- (607) 280-1732 November 24, 2019

WELCOME!

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study- 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study-6:30 p.m.

All the churches of Christ greet you.

Romans 16:16

Today's Sermon: Lessons from Philippians - Focus

Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.

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Scripture: Philippians 1:18-21

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Wednesday Evening Bible Class: November 27th, 6:30pm. Paul will begin our new study of Colossians.
- Next Potluck: December 15th
- Grief Ministry meeting and showing of Tear Soup- 7pm, Tuesday, November 26th, December 3rd, 10th and 17th.
- Next Regional Singing: December 29th @ Endwell
- Sojourners-July 27th- August 6th

Happy Thanksgiving!



NEWS

- We are planning to install a chairlift on one of the stairways leading to downstairs. Investigations are now underway.
 However, we are presently awaiting communication from the installation agency.
- Our first meeting for the grief ministry and showing of Tear Soup is on Tuesday, November 26th. Please share the information with friends and family and consider helping with refreshments. Listen for the ad on CHOICE 102 radio.
- Paul will be preaching in Kittanning for the first Sunday of the year, January 5th.
- Paul will be preaching here today.

PRAYERS

- Continue praying for follow up visits and calls to contacts made during our two door-knocking campaigns. We are getting results!
- Pray for **Todd** as he is recovering from knee surgery, which he had a week ago. We are thankful that he is doing so well.
- Ted has lost his hearing aid and he is still waiting for approval to have a procedure on his Eustachian tubes to enlarge them. Please pray for his comfort.
- **Emily Barry** is awaiting the results of her biopsy she had a week ago Tuesday. Pray for her peace of mind.
- Andrea Lentz, who has lung cancer is now staying at home. Please pray for her to be free from pain and for healing.
- Please pray for Mark Elsbree, Doug's brother, who needs a kidney donor.
- **Pray for Ted's brother John,** who has a rare blood condition where his blood has too much protein. It has been taking a toll on his health recently.
- Pray for Lori Kashorek, who has lung cancer.
- Pray for Erin Beiber, who has metastatic breast cancer.
 Erin has agreed to study the Bible with Arthur about how to be saved and is asking deep questions. Pray for this study.
- **Pray for Larry Krause**, minister at Kittanning, who has prostate cancer and will be having surgery in January.
- Pray for Peyton Chacona, who has seizures.
- Pray for all of us, that we can deepen our faith individually and continue to meet as often as we can to encourage each other. Pray that we increase in number.

If you have any PRAYERS or NEWS that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy at barncat7237@gmail.com or text or call (607) 261-0911.