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Sunday Bible Study 9:45am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Sundays 7:30 am (on Fox)

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GOOD WORKS.



Hebrews 10:24

We offer FREE: 4 Bible correspondence course series by mail: an 8 lesson series by Hurt, a 6 lesson series "Acts Of The Apostles" by Pharr, the "Studies In The Bible" 30 lesson series, and the 20 lesson series "Getting To Know Jesus" by Pharr. Let everyone know!

## What God Has Specified

From the very first example of worship in the Bible, Cain and Abel in Genesis 4, we learn that God will not just accept anything we offer in worship; rather we must offer by faith in order to be accepted like Abel (Hebrews 11:4). Faith means taking God at His word and doing what He has said. The word of God produces faith (Romans 10:17). If one does not believe God's word, then it will not benefit him spiritually (Hebrews 4:2).

The institution of the Passover included God specifying that a male lamb of the first year, without blemish, be used (Exodus 12:5). This specific instruction eliminated the use of other animals, female lambs, lambs with some sort of defect or blemish, and lambs that were a different age than a year old. While some sacrifices, such as the peace offering (Leviticus 3:1, 6), could be either a male or a female, for Israel to keep the Passover by faith required using the male lamb. To use a female lamb for the Passover would have violated God's word. If God had given a generic instruction such as "a lamb" without any other specifications, then Israel could have used either sex as the Passover lamb, but when God specified "male" that eliminated the use of female lambs.

We understand this principle by the many times we use it on a daily basis. If I order food at a restaurant, or some sort of gadget online, I specify what I want; my specific selection, by its very nature, means I am electing not to have everything else. My food order means I have selected a particular meal. I don't want everything on the menu, just what I ordered.

When Jesus instituted the Lord's supper, He used unleavened bread and fruit of the vine. In fulfilling the law of Moses, Jesus kept the Passover with His disciples (Matthew 26:18-20). The Passover was accompanied by seven days of eating unleavened bread (Leviticus 23:4-6). While Jesus was gathered with His disciples for this, He took bread and fruit of the vine and gave it to His disciples instituting the Lord's supper (Matthew 26:26-28). Jesus commanded His followers to partake of these two emblems to remember Him (Luke 22:19; 1 Corinthians 11:24). This memorial represented His body and His blood, the blood of the New Testament, a new communion in the kingdom (Matthew 26:28, 29).

Could one substitute lambchops for the unleavened bread of the Lord's supper and still keep it by faith? No. One could argue that Jesus is indeed the lamb of God, His death showed Him to be the ultimate Passover lamb (John 1:29, 36; Isaiah 53:7; Acts 8:32; 1 Peter 1:19; Revelation 5:6, 8, 12; 6:1). Yet, the pattern and command of the Lord when He instituted the supper compels us to use unleavened bread if we are to keep it by faith.

Our worship must be regulated by what God has ordered if we are to do it by faith and be acceptable to Him. We live by every word that proceeds out of His mouth (Matthew 4:4). If we have the command and example of speaking, teaching one another, singing and making melody in our hearts, then God has specified what we should do and where the melody should be made (Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16). We should offer the acceptable sacrifice of praise to God, the fruit of our lips (Hebrews 13:15), rather than incorporating additions which have no New Testament basis, very late historical precedent, and involve the assembly in listening for entertainment rather than speaking the word of Christ to one another. Let us worship by faith, doing what God has specified in His word.

-Mark Day

## News & Notes



## <u>Sermons Today</u>

10:45AM: Christ's Church 6:00PM: Church Organization Scripture Reading: Tanner Adkins Titus 1:5-9

- 5- For this reason I left you in Crete, that you should set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint elders in every city as I commanded you—
- **6-** if a man is blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of dissipation or insubordination.
- 7- For a bishop must be blameless, as a steward of God, not self-willed, not quick-tempered, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money,
- **8-** but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled,
- **9-** holding fast the faithful word as he has been taught, that he may be able, by sound doctrine, both to exhort and convict those who contradict.

## **Dates to Remember:**

Jul 24 VBS meeting 12p annex

<u>Jul 25-29</u>— Vacation Bible School— 6:30p-8:30p

<u>Jul 29</u>— Ladies Luncheon— Bella Fonte in Ashland- 11:30a

Aug 21 – Elders/Deacons/Preacher meet-4:30p – annex larger classroom

Aug 26- Ladies Luncheon- 11:30a- TBD

Sep 11-14 Gospel Meeting with Josh Allen

|                    | 07/17/22  | Goal      | 07/18/21  |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Bible Study</b> | 65        | 90        | 70        |
| <b>AM Worship</b>  | 115       | 130       | 108       |
| PM Worship         | 76        | 90        | 76        |
| Mid Week           | 81        | 90        | 81        |
| Contribution:      | \$5349.45 | \$6000.00 | \$4792.71 |

## **July Ladies Luncheon**

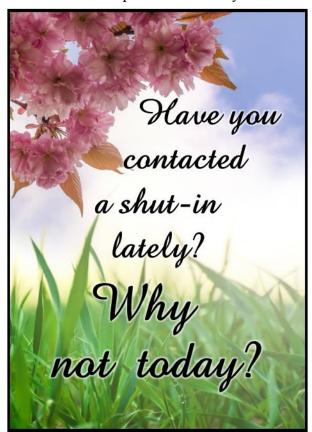
This Friday, the 29th, ladies of all ages are invited to meet at 11:30am at Bella Fonte Restaurant in Ashland (across from Bob Evans Restaurant).

## Forwarding Address

We have a new address for Carol Allen: 3045 Aloma Avenue Apt 236, Winter Park, FL 32792. Please, note this in your member directory.

#### **VBS Volunteers**

There is a signup sheet on the foyer board asking for people to donate food (specific to each evening). Please, check the board and sign up to bring the food of your choice. See Bessie Hill with questions. Thank you!



## 🔊 Today's Servants 🗷

## WELCOME:

AM/PM: Greg Conley

## **SONG LEADER:**

AM: Ranie Wohnhas PM: Brad Morris

## FIRST PRAYER:

AM: Greg Hall PM: Chris Scott

## LORD'S TABLE\*:

Presiding AM: Mark Parks
Assisting: Jeremiah Smith,
George Wallace, David Morckel

**Presiding PM:** Nathan Adkins \*gluten-free bread

## SCRIPTURE READING:

PM: Tanner Adkins

## **CLOSING PRAYER:**

AM: Nathan Parks PM: John Gambill

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## യ Weekly Servants ഗ്ര

**LIVE STREAM:** Tanner Adkins **POWER POINT:** Mason Morris **BLDG. ATT.:** Greg Conley

**COORDINATOR:** Matt Vonderheide **ATTENDANCE:** John Gambill

## \*\*\* Youth Notes \*\*\*

# \*\*\* Sundays \*\*\* Pew Packers 5:45pm

in the front of the auditoriumgeared to age 12
& under, and everyone is welcome

## **★★**\*July 25-29\*★\* Vacation Bible School

-make plansinvite friends!! 6:30pm-8:30pm



## **Welcome, Visitor!**

## We are so pleased to have you as our guest today.

If you are a first-time visitor with us, please, fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection box or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit

We have tract racks on the wall in the foyer with free tracts and literature. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let our preacher know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study. Thank you for attending.

We hope to see you often.