

BULLETIN

Christianity as Seen in the New Testament

Christianity, as it came from the mind of God, is clearly set forth in the New Testament.

The four gospel records, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John give us accounts of the earthly life of Christ and His ministry, including His death for the sins of all mankind, His burial, His resurrection, His ascension, and His promised second coming to receive all of His faithful followers.

The fifth book of the New Testament, the Acts of the Apostles, tells of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the apostles to guide them into all truth in fulfillment of Jesus' promise to them before He left earth (John 14:26). It describes the establishment of the church on the day of Pentecost in Jerusalem, and the expansion of the church, particularly through the labors of the apostle Paul.

The books of Romans through Jude set forth the basis of man's justification from sin and give divine instructions to Christians as to how we are to live in the light of our redemption, how the church is to be organized, and how it is to function in worship and work. These books also set forth many warnings about false teachers, false doctrines, and a general falling away from the simplicity of the original faith of the gospel.

The last book of the New Testament, Revelation, describes the opposition Christians faced in the early centuries of the church and those faced in all ages. It also describes the ultimate victory of the faithful people of God.

'Follow Me!' John 1:43

~adapted Hugh Fulford, House to House

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Worship Time:

Sun. Worship - 9:30AM

Bible Class - 11:00AM

Sun. Evening - 6:00PM

Tue. Morning Ladies Bible

Class - 10:00AM

Dear Lord,
Help me be happy with what
comes my way today and to
praise You.

Amen

Family Events

"So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith." Galatians 6:10, NAS95.

If you are a visitor to our church, welcome! If you have questions, we welcome them; please do not hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister, the really tall guy, or any other church member.

Important Dates

Several events are coming that have special significance to the family here.

Today - POTLUCK FOR THE OGUNSUYI'S AFTER BIBLE CLASS to celebrate their US citizenship.

Nov. 3 - FALL CLEAN-UP DAY.

Nov. 4 - CONGREGATIONAL MEETING @ 6:00PM

Nov. 11-13 - FALL MEETING w/ Dan Cooper.

Nov. 11 - POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP LUNCH.

Nov. 20 - TURKEY BASKETS.

Nov. 25 - GIVING TREE.

Dec. 8 - ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY @ the Skerry's from 5:00- 9:00PM.

Dec. 16 - TEEN CHRISTMAS PARTY @ the Paul's from noon until 3PM.

Nov. 3 - LADIES' DAY AT THE KITTELY CHURCH. Registration begins at 8:30AM and breakfast at 9:00AM. There is a flyer on the board in the foyer. Please RSVP by 10/31/18.



Congratulations Potluck

•Today there will be a potluck lunch after Bible class to celebrate with the Ogunsuyi's their US citizenship.

Fall Clean-Up Day

•Nov. 3 will be a fall clean-up day beginning at 8:30AM. Bring tools and a willingness to help. There are several things that need to be taken care of prior to winter.

Congregational Meeting

•Nov. 4 is a Congregational Meeting that begins at 6:00PM and concludes by 7:30PM. We will review the year to date financials and start discussing the 2019 budget. There are a few other important projects to discuss for next year. Please make time to attend as we covet your inputs and thoughts.

Fall Meeting

•Our Fall Meeting, with Dan Cooper, will be Nov. 11-13.
•There will be a Potluck Lunch after Bible Class that day, a 1:00pm class, and no evening service.

Turkey Baskets

•If you know someone who needs help, please contact the Dave Skerry or the church office.
•Sign-up sheets for food for the baskets will be at the back of the auditorium on Nov. 4.



◆**Building and Grounds** - Please talk with *Will Hamel*. There are several things that need to be done and winter is coming.

◆**Education** - Please talk with *Doug Paul* if you would like to either help or teach a class. Several of our teachers have been in the classroom for many months. Take a quarter to teach and let the teachers be renewed in Bible study.

◆**Benevolence / Pantry** - Talk with *Dave Skerry* about helping. This ministry is an outreach to our community.

◆**Lord's Supper to Shut-ins** - Volunteers needed, **now**. Please talk with *Doug Paul*. This is a ministry that needs additional people to help.

Giving Tree

•The Giving Tree will be in the foyer Nov. 25. The Giving Cans will also be out so you can take one, fill it, and bring it back. The money will be used to augment what is given.

• If you need some help, or know someone who does, please let Melissa Therrien know ASAP, so they can be included.

Weekly Contribution

10/14/2018
\$3349.00

Family Bible Reading, Birthday and Congregational Calendar for Oct. 21 - Oct. 27

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21 - 2 Chron. 7-8 POTLUCK FOR THE OGUNSUYI'S	22 - 2 Chron. 9-10	23 - 2 Chron. 11-12	24 - John 11 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER Jon Potter, Jr. - BD	25 - 2 Chron. 13-14	26 - John 12	27 - 2 Chron. 15-16 NO PANERA PICK-UP

Youth & Family News



UPCOMING EVENTS

Be on the lookout for upcoming events. If you want to lead or help with an event, please talk with one of our elders and check with the church office to see that the date is free, then PLEASE volunteer!

Nov. 3 - FALL CLEAN-UP DAY.
Nov. 9-11 - FALL MEETING.
DEC. 16- TEEN CHRISTMAS PARTY @ THE PAUL'S from noon until 3PM.

Question of the week:

Are you allowing the power of the Holy Spirit to enable you to live your life in Christ?

God knows everything, but He still loves hearing what's on our minds, no matter how small. That's why He asks us to "pray continually."

Congregational Events

Oct. 24 is Wednesday Night Supper, Kathy is making Pork Loin, veggie, salad, and dessert.

- Supper begins at 6PM.
- Cost is \$5.00/person and is used to defray expenses for the cooks.
- There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the auditorium so that enough food is prepared.



Congratulations Potluck



Today is a potluck lunch, after Bible class, to celebrate the Ogunsuyi's US citizenship. Please plan to stay to celebrate with our brother and sister.

Fall Clean-Up Day - Nov. 3

There are many things to be done prior to winter arriving. The day will begin at 8:30AM. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Bring your tools, a willing attitude, and together get things cleaned up before the meeting.



Congregational Meeting - Nov. 4

There is a congregational meeting scheduled on Nov. 4 @ 6:00PM to review financials to date and begin discussions for the 2019 budget. There are other issues the elders want to discuss. Your participation is appreciated.



Fall Meeting - Nov. 11-13

Dan Cooper, from the Pitman Rd. church of Christ in NJ., will conduct our Fall Meeting.

- * Dan has worked with two congregations in the Pitman, NJ area and authored a series called 'The Friendship Evangelism Series'.
- * He conducts seminars regularly with local congregations intent on increasing their emphasis on growing the kingdom in their community.



A Parting Encouragement

They Were Cut to the Heart

On the day of Pentecost, as recorded in Acts chapter two, we are given a glimpse into the heart and soul of the Jewish men and women who first heard the gospel preached to them on that monumental day. Acts 2:37 tells us: *"Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, 'Men and Brethren, what shall we do?'"* (NKJV). What resulted from this condition of heart was the conversion of some three thousand souls (Acts 2:41) who *"...continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers"* (Acts 2:42).

In our day we have become very familiar with the story of Jesus' death by crucifixion. Gold crosses hang from the necks of athletes and musicians, celebrities and models.

On these ornamental crosses may be portrayed the anguished artistic representation of the dying Christ— yet people most often focus on the music, athletic skill, or beauty of the model or celebrity, not the reality of the One who died for us. God forbids the worship of images whether of true Deity or idols (Exodus 20:4- 5), but what does it reflect about our culture that such images have become a casual accessory with no thought of the event portrayed?

In the church we assemble each Lord's Day and celebrate the solemn memorial that commemorates Jesus' death. Around a nicely polished table we break bread, which is to represent the body of the Son of God surrendering to death. From a clean cup arranged in a shining tray, we drink a sip of juice, which is to represent the blood stolen from the Savior's veins by the stakes and spear of His filthy executioners. As we observe this memorial, we must constantly chase from our minds thoughts of the meal at home after services, the past week's activities, the television program of the

past night, an assignment at school, or the unpaid bills waiting for us. Yet, how often can we truly say we are "cut to the heart?"

Is the world so unfamiliar with the truth of the death of Christ that it is untouched by its horror? Have we as Christians become so familiar with the account that we are callused to its cruel heart-stirring realities?

When David sinned by committing adultery with Bathsheba and then conspired to have her husband die in battle, the horror of his own behavior escaped him. Only when the prophet Nathan came and told him a veiled story about a rich man's cruelty in taking a poor man's lamb was his heart stirred to anger, then repentant sorrow (2 Samuel 12:1-7).

Are we like David, when it comes to our attitude towards Jesus' death? Does a news report about some tragic loss of life cut us to the heart more than the message of the crucified Christ? Can we be captivated by a heartbreaking drama in a book, movie or TV show and yet remain untouched by the drama of the gospel?

The challenge for us is to realize everyday the reality of Christ's death for us. This is not about emotionalism, but about the rational realization of what Jesus' death was and should mean to each of us. We must keep it from becoming something that we accept casually and unemotionally and instead let it stir our hearts daily to greater faithfulness to the Lord and to His people. If Christians in this age would allow the message of the crucified Messiah to touch us as it did those on the day of Pentecost it might be that the message of the gospel would again *"turn the world upside down"* (Acts 17:6) today as it did when it was first preached.

Kyle Pope