

The Practice of Eucharist

The sacrament of Eucharist was instituted by Jesus at the Last Supper (Luke 22:7-20), practiced by Him after His resurrection (Luke 24:30-35) and given further explanation by the Apostle Paul to the church in Corinth (1 Cor. 11:17-34).

In taking Eucharist, we are not only remembering Jesus' sacrifice of body and blood for the redemption of the world, we are also mysteriously united with Christ. The Apostle Paul takes this union seriously, "Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?" (1 Cor. 10:16). Furthermore, Eucharist, while personal and intimate, is more than individualistic as we believe that followers of Jesus are also united and mysteriously made one body by sharing in the bread and cup (1 Cor. 10:17).

While we believe nothing magical occurs during Eucharist, something mysterious, real and powerful does. As a result of our theology, we partake in Eucharist on a weekly basis, generally at the end of our worship gathering as a crescendo.

We invite ALL (regardless of denomination) who have begun the journey to trust Jesus as Savior, Teacher and Lord to partake in the Sacrament of Eucharist. If you have not made a decision to follow Christ, please feel free to abstain as we are seeking to create an atmosphere of authenticity in which no one is manipulated into acting against their conscience.

Practicalities: When you come forward for Eucharist, come when you feel ready at your leisure down the center aisle. Receive a piece of bread and then dip that piece of bread into either wine or grape juice before eating it. Then you may return to your seat.



Sunday, December 22

Advent

Order of Service

Welcome

Call to Worship

Songs of Praise

Prayers of the People/ Offering

Children's Prayer

Meet and Greet

Ministry of the Word

Response in Worship

Communion

(Please check out back of bulletin)

Benediction



SERMON OUTLINE:

Our Greatest Need – Gospel of John 1:1-18

What did the Eternal Word (Logos) become?

Why does John in announcing this astonishing fact, emphasize ‘we beheld his glory’?

Why is this our greatest human need?

Why does Moses pray, ‘show me your glory’ (Ex 33:18)?

What does ‘glory’ mean?

3 nuances _____

So, who is Jesus?

What does ‘dwelt among us’ mean?

What might be the reason for John not to tell the transfiguration story?

How does glory shape the structure of John’s Gospel?

Of all the ways Jesus exudes glory in the first half of John’s Gospel, which speaks to you most, or is the most astounding, or confusing?

Why is John Calvin’s term ‘Theater of Gory’ an appropriate title for Holy Week?

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Children's Church

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Men's Bible Study

When: Join us Thursdays @ 6:30am

Where: St. Pete's Health Cafeteria (Free Coffee!)

The Study: We are working through Ecclesiastes

Men's and Women's Prayer Times

The most important and powerful thing we can do together is to pray.

So come join us as we pray together:

Men's Prayer Tuesday's 7:00am-8:00am

Women's prayer Tuesdays 12:30pm-1:30pm

(If you can't make it for prayer please text or email Pastor Seth with requests)

Wednesday Night Life Together

6:00-6:30 Dinner and Fellowship

6:30-6:45 Games in the Gym

6:45-7:45 Discipleship Groups for all ages

7:45-8:00 Worship in the Sanctuary

Online Tithes

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Life Together Game Night

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6:00pm -8:00 pm**

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