

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.

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Sunday, October 3
Pentecost/ Ordinary Time
Order of Service

Welcome

Call to Worship

We turned to see the voice speaking to us.

When we turned we saw.

We saw the Son of Man standing in the middle.

When we saw we fell at His feet.

He laid his hand on us and said:

Do not be afraid;

I am the first and the last, and the living One;

and I was dead, and LOOK, I am alive forevermore,

and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

Glory be to the One who was and is and is to come!

Songs of Praise

Prayers of the People / Offering

Ministry of the Word

The Revelation of Jesus Christ

The First Vision: Rev. 1:9-20

Response in Worship

Communion

Benediction

Unity Prayer

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE OF GOD, EVERY MAN, WOMAN, AND CHILD.

FOR CHRIST BRINGS PEACE TO ALL, TEARING DOWN EVERY HOSTILE WALL, SO THAT THE MANY MAY BECOME ONE—

ONE HEART;
ONE FAMILY;
ONE NEW HUMANITY.

FOR GOD, WHO IS LOVE, THROUGH CHRIST, WHO IS ALL AND IN ALL, SHOWS NO PARTIALITY AND MAKES NO DISTINCTION,

SO NEITHER RACE NOR CLASS, GENDER NOR PRIVILEGE, POLITICS NOR RELIGION, PERSONALITY NOR NATIONALITY COUNT FOR US OR AGAINST US. THE LIGHT OF CHRIST ENLIGHTENS ALL.

CHRIST THE PRISONER AND THE NAKED, CHRIST THE HUNGRY AND THE SICK, CHRIST THE THIRSTY AND THE STRANGER.
CHRIST THE OTHER.

MAY GOD'S SPIRIT HOVER OVER OUR CHAOS, OUR HATRED AND INDIFFERENCE, DESCEND IN OUR HEARTS WITH LOVE AND PLEASURE, BREATHE US OUT INTO THE WORLD TO LISTEN AND TO SERVE, SETTING US ABLAZE TO RECONCILE AND HEAL.

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Children's Church

Join us for Children's Church as we journey through 25 lessons on The Jesse Tree. Enjoy Video lessons each Sunday and Wednesday as we learn more about the family tree of Jesus. Beginning today, **October 3rd**. Let us know if you need a worship bag delivered to your house as you participate with us. Please check this weeks E-pistle (HCC digital Newsletter) for the second lesson!

Youth Group and Confirmation

Headwaters YG and Confirmation every other Wednesday

Come join us next on **October 6th**!

If you would like help disciple our youth, please talk with Pastor Seth.

Meal Train

Friends, Brett and Carrie now have full time parenting responsibility of Royce and Bentley for an undetermined amount of time. Let's help carry some of their load by providing some meals. Please contact Rachel to get the link or click the link in the E-pistle. Thanks so much for blessing them in this way.

Weekly Prayer Times

The most important thing we can do together is to pray, which is to listen to the One true living God.

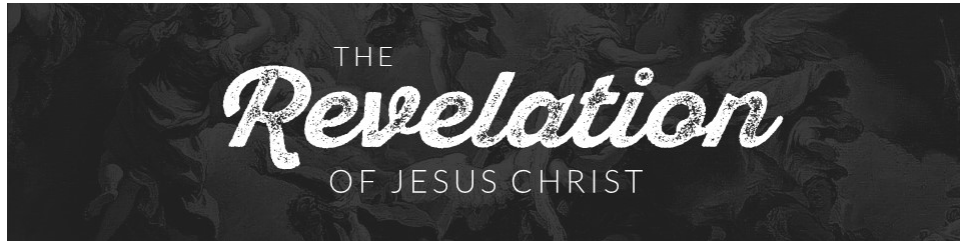
Men's prayer: Tuesday's 7:00-8:00am

Women's prayer: Tuesday's 12:00-1:00pm

Come and go as you can. Pray with you soon!

Financial Snapshot 2021

	<u>1st quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	
Budget –	\$32,000	\$32,000	
Tithes –	\$28,835	\$27,940	
Expenses –	\$41,129	\$29,695	*YTD Special Giving \$5,950
Over/(Under)	(\$6,845)	(\$1,255)	



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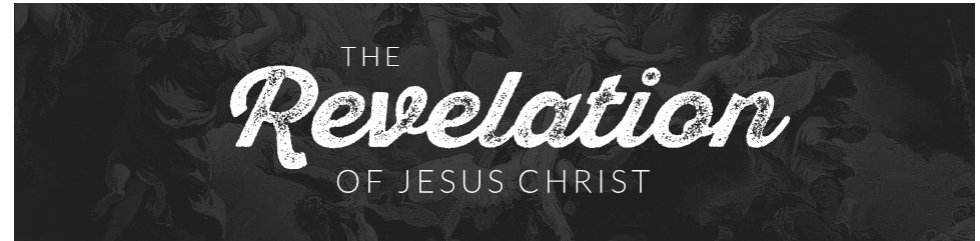
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The feet and hands go together, says Peterson, because they’re the parts of the body that express capability. His feet like burnished bronze. It meets that his feet are hot, and where he walks he brings purification. And in his hand, he holds seven stars. These stars turn out to be the angels of the seven churches, but I think in the first century they also refer to the seven planets that people thought ruled the world. Whatever cosmic, ecclesiastical, or personal powers there are in the world, he holds them in his right hand. The song is so true - He’s got the whole world in his hands!

And then, finally, the voice.

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