

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 10
Pentecost/ Ordinary Time
Order of Service

Welcome

Call to Worship

O let us give thanks to the Lord,
For the love of God will never end.
Let us who love God be unashamed to declare it,
Because God has answered our cries for help.
The Lord our God has met our every need,
We will therefore proclaim the love of the Lord!

Songs of Praise

Holy is the Lord
All who are thirsty

Prayers of the People / Offering

Ministry of the Word

The Revelation of Jesus Christ
Ephesus: The church of loveless orthodoxy, Rev. 2:1-7

Response in Worship

None but Jesus

Communion

(Please check out back of bulletin)

You're Beautiful

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.

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



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. 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 4th lesson! If you missed some lessons and need ornaments, please check out the table in the foyer.

Youth Group and Confirmation

Headwaters YG and Confirmation every other Wednesday

Come join us next on **October 13th**!

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.

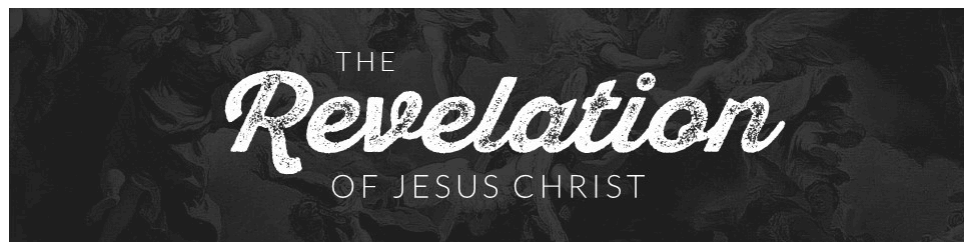
Weekly Prayer Times

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!



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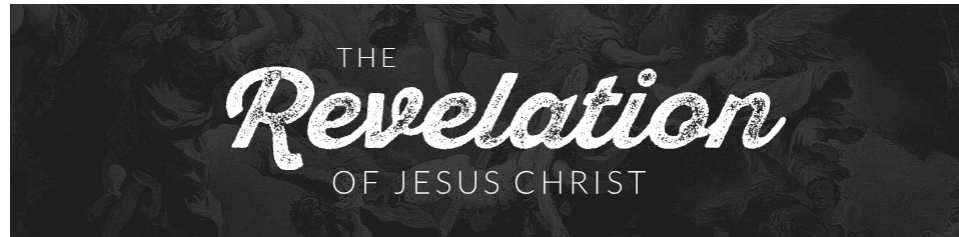
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