

2024
UNITED TOGETHER WITH CHRIST

The Space Between

Deuteronomy 8:1-5

“Between time” – Living in the space between where I am and where I want to be.

We Must Learn _____.

- God is never in a _____!
- Spiritual growth takes _____.
- God leads us through times like this to let things _____ in us.
- God is more concerned with who we are _____ than where we are _____!

We Must Learn _____.

- We must _____ who we are and Who God is!
- Grumblers and complainers are the _____ of humble.
- What the Israelites wanted was not food but _____. (Num. 11:4-6)
- Negativity spreads like an _____ and it's _____! (Phil. 2:14-15)
- God is more capable to run our _____ than we are. (Rom. 11:33-36)

We Must Learn _____.

- Hope motivates us to look _____ our circumstances and believe things will eventually get _____. (Romans 5:1-5)
- Hope emerges from struggle and is a _____ of faithfulness.
- “Between time” is a time to _____ God as though we can see the _____!

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SCHEDULE

Sunday

Bible Classes for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes for all ages 6:30 p.m.

ELDERS AND STAFF

Elders	Deacons
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OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Bible Hour
Kim Bower

ELDER for May	Eric Bliss
LADIES COMMITTEE for May	Alora Cottam



MAY 5TH, 2024

Order Of Worship

Song Leader: Ryan Bliss

Welcome.....Eric Bliss

20 All Hail The Power of Jesus Name
200 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Prayer.....Jerry Hopkins

790 In Vain in High and Holy Lays

Lord's Supper.....Mike Cottam

542 Purer in Heart O God

Offering.....Brian Donaghe

970 Step by Step

Scripture Reading.....Shawn Johnson

Morning Service....."The Space Between!".....Roy Senior

438 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
78 Can You Count the Stars

Closing Prayer.....Dave Gastellum

Pray & Song Worship.....5 PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

May 5th Morning Class @ 9:30 AM
Worship @ 10:30 AM
Prayer & Song Worship @ 5 PM
8th Wednesday Evening Class @ 6:30 PM
11th Men's Breakfast @ Tom's @ 8:30 AM



MAY CALENDARS & THOSE WHO SERVE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BACK TABLE

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Good, better, best. Never let it rest. 'Till your good is better and your better is best.

SCRIPTURE FOR TODAY

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the Word of Truth. ~ 2 Timothy 2:15

PRAYER IS IMPORTANT

-**Kevin Thompson** dislocated his hip Monday @ PT. Please keep him & **Ann** in your prayers as they work through this setback.

-Please keep **Cheryl Bliss** in your prayers following her car accident last week. She is sore but not injured too bad. Praise God! Also, prayers for the **Bliss family** as they travel to see **Erin, Zak & Claire**. Pray for safe travels & a blessed visit.

-**Mike Darnton** has hernia surgery tomorrow. Please keep him in your prayers for a swift recovery.

-It was great to see **Shawn & Shawn Johnson** back with us last week. Please keep them in your prayers with their ongoing health challenges.

-Please keep **Barbara Godwin**, from the L&T congregation in SM in your prayers following her stroke a week ago Friday. She is now in rehab @ Cottage hospital.

-Please keep **Jan Hayes's** niece **Kathy Segheiri** in your prayers. She is having chest pains & is wearing a heart monitor for a time. She is also grieving the loss of her husband some time ago.

-Please continue to keep **Buzz & Ethel's** sister **Zelma** in your prayers. Her husband **Jack** passed away Monday evening. **Ethel** went to Okla. To be with her sister & family.

-Please keep the family of **Larry Rowe** in your prayers following his passing.

-**Mike Cottam** asked for prayers for **Frankie Ward's** uncle **Steve**. He is in Cottage hospital dealing with complications in his health. He was currently undergoing cancer treatments.

-Please keep **those affected by the tornados** in the Midwest in your prayers. Looks like it will be a busy weather season.

-Please keep **Sandy & Jerry Hopkins** in your prayers as **Sandy** had her 8th Chemo treatment this week. Please keep **Jerry** in your prayers as he is scheduled for hip surgery June 4th after **Sandy** finishes her Chemo treatments.

-Please keep **Shelli Donald's** daughter **Rhiannon, Colby, Georgia & Henry** in your prayers. Her delivery date is a week from tomorrow. Please pray for a safe delivery.

ENCOURAGING WORDS

"Do This in Remembrance of Me"

We begin our communion with the Lord as we sing a hymn to "help prepare our minds and hearts" for the Lord's Supper. The words are very meaningful, even though we've sung it a hundred times before. Then, a group of men stand up and walk to the front table and pass some trays to each other. They stand there in respectful silence as one of them begins to make some appropriate comments. His words set the foundation for the verses about the cross, which are as familiar as any Biblical text. One of the men prays a short prayer of thanks, after which the men disperse and begin to pass the trays up and down the rows. The tray comes to you, and you take a miniature piece of thin bread and place it in your mouth. What now?

The tendency may be to think, "I'm done until the next tray comes around." But, when examining the New Testament, it is evident that I'm **not** "done." The early church "came together to break bread" (**Acts 20:7**). But their purpose was not merely to pass the trays and be reverently quiet. At His instruction, they were going to "remember" Him, "discern" His body and "examine" themselves. (**1 Cor. 11:23-29**) What would that involve? **Remember His anguish.** His "soul" was "exceedingly sorrowful," and He was in "agony" long before anyone laid a hand on Him. (**Matt. 26:38**)

Remember His arrest. After praying through sweat and blood, "a band of soldiers arrested Jesus and "bound Him" like a criminal. (**John 18:3**) **Remember His assault.** He was stripped, scourged, crowned with thorns, spat upon and mocked mercilessly. (**Matt. 26:27-31**)

Remember His assassination. He was brutally nailed to a cursed tree to die the most wretched and agonizing of deaths but had "done nothing wrong."

No! I'm not done when I pick up a piece of bread or drink from a little cup! Because for six long tormenting hours, He was not done! Let us remember! Let us discern! Let us examine! Let our manner of partaking be acceptable and worthy in His sight.

R. Senior