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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....6:00 p.m.

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WELCOME!

We invite you to all of our services.

“...the churches of Christ salute you” (Romans 16:16)

**THE CHRISTIAN'S MEMORIAL DAY**  
**1 Cor. 11:23-29**

**INTRODUCTION:**

1. Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1868 by General John Logan and was first observed on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1868.
2. Various memorials have been given throughout Bible history.
  - A. The Passover was 1 such a memorial for the Hebrews (Exo. 12:14).
  - B. 12 Stones at the Jordan (Josh. 4:1-7).
  - C. Christ instituted His own memorial (Mt. 26:26-28; Mk. 14:22-25; Lk. 22:16-20).

**I. WHAT IS THE LORD'S SUPPER?**

- A. A Statement of Commemoration (1 Cor. 11:24-25).
  1. It looks back to Calvary.
  2. It looks back to the cross.
  3. It looks back to that historical event which anchors and preserves the faith.
- B. A Statement of Anticipation (1 Cor. 11:26).
  1. The word "shew" means "to openly declare or preach" (biblehub.com), "proclaim" (NKJ).
  2. Proclaimed by this act is . . .
    - a. The firm belief that the Lord Jesus will judge the world; and,
    - b. That all Christians in every generation and in every place, it is to be observed, until the Son of God shall return.
    - c. This is our emblem—no crucifixes or other art of man
- C. A Statement of Unification (1 Cor. 11:24-25).
  1. The bread
    - a. Symbolizes the broken body of Christ
    - b. Christ's flesh and body were broken (John 19:34).
  2. The cup
    - a. Christ purchased the church with His blood (Acts 20:28).
    - b. Fruit of the vine represents His blood (Mk. 14:23-25).
    - c. The focus is the contents, not the container.

**II. WHEN DO WE PARTAKE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER?**

- A. First of the week (Acts 20:7).
  1. The ancients did not ask which Sabbath to keep; so, likewise, we need not ask which First Day of the week.
  2. The Scriptures imply a definite purpose for coming together (Acts 2:42).
- B. Why the First Day?
  1. Resurrection (Lk. 24:1).
  2. Ascension (Acts 1:3).
  3. Manifestation of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2).

**III. WHO IS BOUND TO PARTAKE?**

- A. Those in the church (Acts 2:42).
- B. Disciples of Christ (Acts 20:7).
- C. Those in the kingdom (Lk. 22:29-30).
- D. Those meeting the "worthy" conditions (27-29)

## IT'S A SIN PROBLEM

Once again, our nation in general, and the town of Uvalde, Texas in particular, was shocked and horrified at the competence of wickedness as a cowardly man murdered 19 innocent children and at least two adults this past week.

Immediately, leaders began to politicize the tragedy for their particular side's political agenda. Folks, it is not a left-wing or right-wing problem (have we forgotten that both wings are part of the same bird?), nor is it a gun problem. No sir!

Cain had no gun with which to kill his brother Abel: “And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him” (Genesis 4:8). Incidentally, nowhere in Scripture does it say, much less imply, that Cain used a rock. Pharaoh had no guns to kill innocent male children, and thankfully, the Hebrew mid-wives refused to carry out his atrocious orders (Exodus 1:15-22). Joab had no gun to kill Absalom, instead he thrust three spears, or javelins (ESV) in his middle (2 Samuel 18:9-15). Jael killed Sisera with a tent peg (Judges 4:21). There are other examples we could cite for your reflection, but these should suffice. What is the common denominator in these murderous acts, and attempts?

The answer is a human heart bent on killing. It is a sin problem. Man may try to blame guns, but people are also murdered by knives, automobiles, baseball bats, hockey sticks, lead pipes, vases, and the list goes on, and yet the fact remains that none of those inanimate objects can kill anyone without human intervention. People are ignoring the real cause: it is SIN! More laws will not fix the problem because God's law says “Thou shalt do no murder” (Matthew 19:18). Wicked people do not care what the law—any law—says. Changing laws is not the answer; changing hearts is! That is what disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ are to do by “Go[ing] into all the world, and preach[ing] the gospel to every creature” (Mark 16:15). Now do we see the importance of each Christian reaching out to the lost and dying souls about us with the everlasting Gospel?

An honest heart given to the Lord will commit no such wickedness! Sin—my sin, and your sin—is at the root of all suffering. Jesus came to save His people from their sins (Matthew 1:21). “Repent and be baptized ... for the remission of sins” (Acts 2:38)—*JK*.

*Welcome! To our visitors! We are thankful for your presence.  
Please fill out one of the blue cards and place it in one the  
collection plates.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- **Cathy Jackson** is scheduled for knee surgery on June 22 to repair a torn meniscus.
- **Wilma Roe** wishes to thank each of you for your prayers and cards
- **John** will be away on June 15<sup>th</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup>. If any men would like to teach class either of those Wednesday evenings, let John know.

**REMINDERS:**

- ❖ Those wishing to update their picture on the board, please see Brenda Warne.
- ❖ Remember to take advantage of our library in the basement.
- ❖ Please inform John of any changes needed to the prayer list, or directory.

**TODAY'S LESSONS**

AM: The Christian's Memorial Day (1 Corinthians 11:23-29).

PM: Praise For Our Redemption (Hebrews 13:20-21).

***IN OUR PRAYERS:*** Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Carol Mitchell, Jean Whitley.

***SHUT-INS:***  
Debbie Jones,  
Nancy Love,  
Randy Yost

***FAMILY AND FRIENDS:*** Debra Bates-Phillabaum, Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Tiffany Endly (Jerri Mackie's niece), Trudy Kerby, Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith's sister), Janet Patterson, Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, Wilma Roe, Sidney Suttles (Diann Bachmann's friend), Bob & Marge Watson, Ukraine and remember to pray for one another.

AM Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed.	Contribution (Budget)
41	68	42	28	\$2355    \$ (\$2,420)

**NOTE: Order of worship change for today:**

- 2 Hymns
- Prayer
- Hymn
- Scripture Reading
- Sermon
- 2 Hymns
- Lord's Supper
- Hymn
- Closing Prayer