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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)

BLOOD OF CHRIST

INTRODUCTION: Matt. 26:26-29.

1. Blood is essential...For Life in the body.
 - A. Science supports this statement.
 - 1) Each adult has 4 to 5 quarts of blood to...
 - a) carry oxygen from lungs to every part of body,
 - b) carry nutrients from digestive system throughout the body.
 - c) it also helps get rid of waste from our body.
 - d) Blood also contains a natural defense against infection i.e., white blood cells.
 - B. The Bible tells us blood is essential for life as well (Gen. 9:4; Lev. 17:11).
2. Blood is essential....
 - A. For atonement in OT, (to appease, to cover over, pacify, propitiate, to reconcile, to coat or cover with pitch—Exo. 12:7; Lev. 17:11; Exo. 30:10).
 - B. for salvation in the NT (Mt. 26:28; Rom. 5:11; Heb. 9:22).
3. Let us take a look at the Blood Of Christ.

I. POWERFUL!

- A. Cleansing Power (1 John 1:7).
 1. The cleansing power of Christ blood is active in us and with us as long as our “walk” is with Him.
 2. How do we know this? (Mt 26:28; Rev. 1:5).
- B. Redeeming Power (Acts 20:28; Rom. 3:24; Eph. 1:7; Rev. 5:9).
- C. Reconciling Power- to bring back into agreement, make friends again.
 1. Our sin separated us from God (Isa. 59:1-2; Mt. 7:21-23).
 2. Christ can change because he shed His blood (Eph. 2:13; 1 Jn 2:1-2).

II. PRECIOUS.

- A. Anyone’s Blood is Precious To Them (1 Pet. 1:18-19).
 1. Our blood is precious to us for the physical life it sustains.
 2. Christ’s blood is far more precious for the eternal life offered in view of it.
 - a. Purchased the church (Acts 20:28).
 - b. Washed us from our sins (Rev. 1:5; 1 Jn. 1:7).
- B. It Was Holy Blood (Heb. 10:28-29).
 1. “despised Moses” law” (Heb. 10:28; cf. Jer. 3:20).
 2. “Trodden under foot” (Heb. 10:29).
 - a. It’s what we do with useless things (Mt. 5:13).
 - b. Similar idea (Heb. 6:6).

3. Christ's blood was holy; set apart for our redemption. We honor the blood of Christ each Lord's Day.

III. PROCURABLE.

- A. Because it was appointed to us (1 Thess. 5:9; Eph. 1:7).
- B. It was designed to save us (Rom. 5:9).
- C. Christ's blood is the cleansing agent(cf. Rev. 1:5), therefore, we must contact the blood. How? Rom. 6:3-5.

CONCLUSION: Let us always remember that Christ's blood is powerful, precious, and procurable.

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OH, FOR A FAITH THAT WILL NOT SHRINK

On . . . January 17, 1527, 496 years ago, a man by the name of Felix Manz engaged in a public debate on baptism that led to his murder.

Manz lived in Zurich, Switzerland, and had a public debate with Huldrych Zwingli on the nature of baptism. Specifically, whether baptism was for infants or believing adults.

The city council decided in favor of infant baptism and demanded that everyone should have their children baptized. Because Manz continued to preach and administer adult, believer's baptism, he was eventually arrested and executed by drowning in the river.

This is just a reminder to us that the things we take for granted today, others paid for with their lives. Christianity is so easy, maybe too easy for us today. May his story renew our determination to follow Jesus at any cost.

Oh, for a faith that will not shrink,
Though pressed by every foe,
That will not tremble on the brink,
Of any earthly woe!

Lord, give me such a faith as this,
And then whatever may come,
I'll taste, e'en here, the hallowed bliss,
Of an eternal home.

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.

AM Bible Study: Colossians 2:9f.

AM : The Blood of Christ (Romans 5: 6-8)

PM Lesson: Sin & Restoration (Jeremiah 1:4-10).

Wednesday Bible Study: Revelation 10:9f.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Hayden Douglas** has a detached muscle in his shoulder and is tentatively scheduled for surgery on February 13th.
- **Rick Lambert** has completed his first round of chemotherapy and will return for the second round on January 26.
- *Prayers Requested* for **Melanie Harper**, a sister in Christ who is dealing with severe personal issues; and for **T. J. Hart** (a friend of John and Tina Keith), who is suffering from PTSD from his time serving in Afghanistan.

REMINDERS:

- ❖ Our *Spring Gospel Meeting* will be May 21-25 with **Phil Grear**.
- ❖ There are just a couple change cans left for *POTTER Children's Home*.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Diann Bachmann, Betsy Cook, Erma Endly, Mike & Karen Grove, Cathy Jackson, Bruce & Kim Johnson, Gary Jones, Rick Lambert, Jody Main, Carol Mitchell, Bev Singleton, Linda Steele, Helena Tewksbury, Jean Whitley, and Randy Yost.

SHUT-INS:
Debbie Jones,
Nancy Love,

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Weston Boulet (great-grandson of Shirley Patterson), Tiffany Endly (Jerri Mackie's niece), Melanie Harper, T.J. Hart, Trudy Kerby, Colleen Kiester (Mo Smith's sister), Bob Main (Bill Main's brother), Linda Potts (Joyce Starrett's sister-in-law), Kellie Price (Richard Mayo's cousin), Addy Reed, Rodney Reeves (Erica Cunningham's father), John Rockhold, the U.S.A., Ukraine and remember to pray for **one another**.

AM Study	AM Worship	PM Worship	Wed.	Contribution
37	60	35	30	\$2,229 (\$2,460)