

TIME OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Classes 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Worship Service 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

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**THE BIBLE AND THE BIBLE ONLY,
MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS
ONLY. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS
COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE
NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.**



StoneRidge
Church of Christ
where CHRIST is the chief cornerstone
1 Peter 2:7

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Borderline Christians

A school superintendent had three applications to drive a school bus. He took the first applicant to a sharp curve on a steep grade and asked, “how close can you drive the bus to the edge of the road on the curve without going over the cliff with the children? The interested driver replied, “I believe I can go to within six inches and still be safe.”

The second applicant heard the same proposition. He checked the curve and told the superintendent, “I believe I can drive within five inches of the edge and not go over the precipice.”

When the superintendent took the third driver to the same highway scene and asked him the same question, the applicant immediately asked, “Do you think I’m crazy? I’m not interested in seeing how close I can get to the edge with the bus. I’ll be trying to see how far I can keep away from the danger line with those children.”

The third applicant received the job.

There is a borderline between the church and the world. The church is composed of those who are “called out” from the world of sin. John said, “Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him” (1 John 2:15). One who seeks to stay just as near to the world of sin as he possibly can, and still follow Christ, has the wrong attitude. An individual, as the driver, should stay just as far away from the danger zone as possible. Paul wrote, “Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good” (Romans 12:9)

--B. C. Goodpasture (adapted)

Transformation

The cross was such an ugly thing! –
A shape to make the heart afraid;
A beam of death for lawless men,
A gibbet for the renegade.

The cross is such a lovely thing! –
The lamp in night where people grope;
The emblem of eternal life;
The symbol of eternal hope;
The subject of a thousand sons;
The sign of truth and liberty.

The cross was such an ugly thing –
Until it went to Calvary. *Lon Woodrum*

Must A Thing Be Prohibited?

Some think they are at liberty to introduce anything into God's worship, providing God has not, in so many words, prohibited it. That means he would have to itemize a gazillion things that are not authorized in worship. This is evidently a mistake. Such a plan of procedure would open the flood gates for innumerable innovations.

On this principle every kind of food and drink might be brought into the Lord's Supper that was not specifically forbidden. Burning incense could be added to the worship. We must remember that law is inclusive and exclusive, including the things commanded and excluding all else.

This principle is too well known to need argument. Beside, in religious matters God alone has the right to guide men, and when man undertakes to add forms of worship not authorized by God's law, he assumes prerogatives which belong exclusively to God. He is presuming to take the office of God, one who has proper reverence for God so regards him. *-C.R. Nichol (adapted)*

A pessimist is a guy who crosses his fingers when he says "Good morning."

News/Notes/Quotes.

THE SICK. Jack Ladyman recovering from surgery. He's trying to work and take it easy at the same time.....**Rhea Vines** is now home from the hospital and is improving.....We were glad to see **David Ledgerwood** and family out after some major surgery... ..**Freddie** and **Sherri Horton** are still facing some health challenges that need our prayers.... **Lynissa Davis** is undergoing several tests to discover what is causing her pain. It may take awhile....**Pat Spencer** is having some good days and some not so good as she continues cancer treatment ...**Levi Lands** is now cleared to resume normal activities except the trampoline... **Debbie Spencer** has received another injection for back pain...**Karen Livesay** has not been having any luck for treatment for migraines...Remember to pray for **Chloe Humblet** who is away from home for extended treatmentSeveral times we have mentioned friends and relatives of the members here as needing our prayers. Let's remember all those who continue to undergo health challenges...**Shut-ins:** **Rhea Vines** (at Roger's house)...**Gail Brooks** 423 Lawrence Hall, Walnut Ridge... **Rita Kieffer**, St. Bernard Village, ...**Shirley Coots**, Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... **Karen Livesay** at home...**Joyce Riley** at St. Elizabeth's Place... **Jean Evans** at home...**Betty Shrable** at Ridgecrest, room 304...Pray for these!

PODCAST! Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from **John Mundy** on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am., or you can catch it throughout the day.

GOSPEL MEETINGS

April 7-12 – StoneRidge! – Tack Chumley

April 19-21 – Mountain Home (Hwy. 5) – Wayne Fancher

April 21-26 – Paragould (Village Creek) – David McPherson

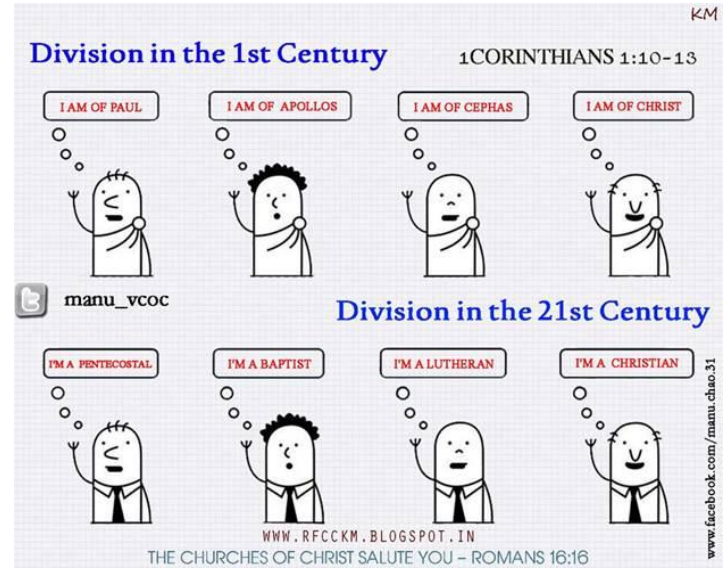
April 27 – Melton Ave. (Trumann) **Singing** at 10:30

June 22 – Ladies' Bible Study (three speakers) – 9a.m. -12 noon

GROUP MEETING. Group 1 will meet at the **Spencers'** on April 6, 5:30.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS. 1st – Jenny Crisler; 3rd – Kyle Cassidy, Avery Ellis; 8th – Carol Kern; 13th – Carter Camp, River Moody; 14th – Matthey Cunningham; Haley Kortan; Austin Shiflet; 19th – Jerry Spencer; 20th – Paula Cossey; 28th – Mason Stevens

No atheist ever harmed the Bible as much as the Christian who didn't live like one.



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