

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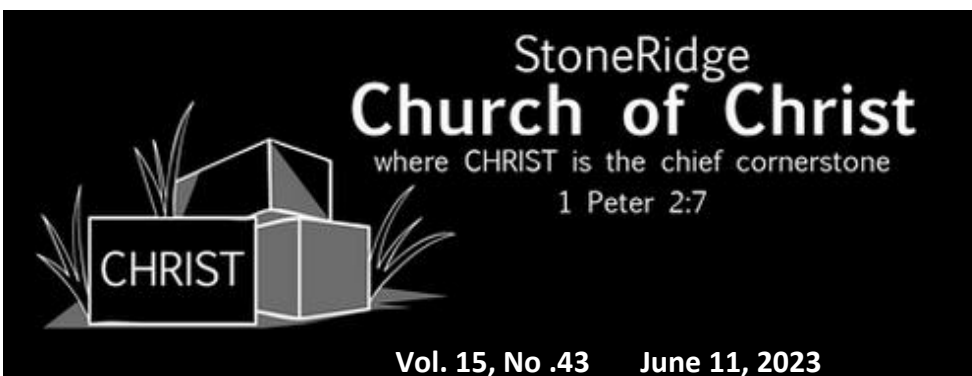
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**THE BIBLE AND THE BIBLE ONLY,
MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS
ONLY. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS
COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE
NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.**



Did You Know?

Did you know That although schools existed in the first century and Paul even taught in one for two years (Acts 19:9,10), no church supported them financially. Yet, in many churches today the financial support of “Christian schools’ or “colleges” is a regular party of the budget?

Did you know that although the apostle Paul illustrated in many of his epistles with analogies from sporting events (1 Cor 9:24,25), yet no church sponsored or had sports teams? In many churches today the sports activities are so much a part of the work that full scale gymnasiums have been built. Some of the reasoning has been that if we can have a fellowship hall to feed the body then we can have a gymnasium to exercise the body. But why show partiality to those who like basket ball and volleyball? What about those who like to bowl or swim for exercise? Okay, we can have a bowling alley and a pool. But what about those who would rather play golf because they’re not as good and not as interested in basketball or bowling, etc.? The same “human reasoning” would allow a church golf course. You can see why some have referred to the church as a “poor man’s country club?” If you can’t afford to join the country club, join the church. You get all the same benefits much cheaper.

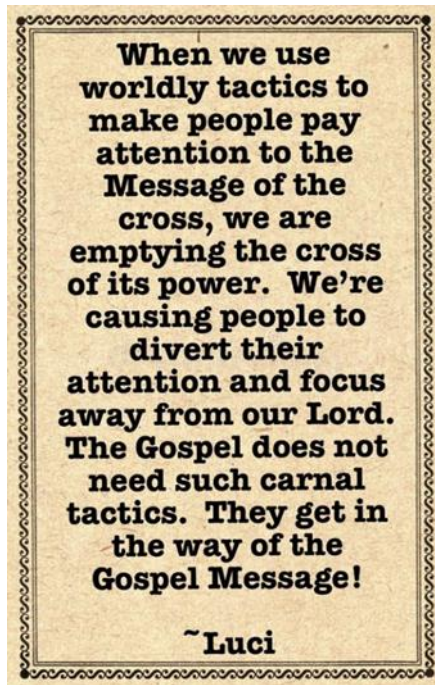
If these thing we have mentioned were not part of the early church and we don’t find authority for the in the Bible, WHY are churches doing them today? And where did they get the RIGHT (authority) to do it? These thing ought not to be! ➔

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"And whatsoever you do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Col 3:17). To do something "in the name" of another is to do it by their power or authority. When Peter and John healed the lame man, the scribes, elders and high priest asked: "By what power or in what name have ye done this?" (Acts 4:7). They wanted to know who gave them this power or authority.

Did you know that the apostles never used food, fun, and games or other social activities to draw a crowd so they could preach to them? Yet in many churches today the social programs are so extensive that a social director (often named "youth minister") must be hired to oversee the social planning.

We should get back to 'Let the church be the church,' not an athletic club or country club. It's about **service**, not **serve us**. -db



News/Notes/Quotes.

THE SICK. **Lori Watson** broke her shoulder and clavicle in an accident last week... **Francis Jones** has a few more days of recovery from shoulder surgery... **Betty Shrable** has requested prayers for her strength. She's only 96 years old... **Pat Spencer** continues to receive chemo treatments. **Karen Livesay** has also been having a tough time and needs our attention... **Konor Erickson's** maternal grandmother continues to recover from a stroke... Remember our shut-ins: **Madonna Vines** is confined at home.. **Bob** and **Jean Evans** are also confined at home... **Rhea Vines** continues to recover from surgery on a broken leg at her son, Roger's, house... **Gail Brooks** and **Rita Kieffer** are both at St. Bernard Village... **Shirley Coots** at Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... **Joyce Riley** is at St. Elizabeth's Place... Remember all of these in prayer.

PRAYERS NEEDED. **Tommy Johns** asked for the prayers of his brothers and sisters here as he struggles with personal challenges. Everyone can do this.

GOSPEL MEETINGS (Mark your calendar!)

August 3-4 - 10th Annual Ladies Bible Study - Hwy 5 Mountain Home
JULY 17-21 -STONERIDGE VBS!!

PODCAST! Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from John Mundy on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am.

GROUP MEETINGS. Group 2 will meet June 17th at 5:30 at the home of Almon and Belva Williams in Brookland.

LIGHTS OUT! If you are the last to leave the auditorium after worship services, remember to turn off the lights. The auditorium light don't shut off automatically as they do in other parts of the building.

ARTICLES. For those who are saving the newspaper articles, two more are available on the credenza for 5-19-23 and 6-2-23, already hole punches for your notebook.

***Some people feel dog tired at night because they growled all day.
Many things are worse than defeat and compromise with evil is one of them!***

Commit a sin twice, and it will seem no longer a sin.



