

THE BULLETIN

OBITUARY JESUS CHRIST, A.D. 33

Jesus Christ, 33, of Nazareth, died Friday on Mount Calvary, also known as Golgotha, the place of the skull. Betrayed by the apostle Judas Iscariot. Jesus was crucified by the Romans, by order of the ruler Pontius Pilate. The causes of death were crucifixion, extreme exhaustion, severe torture, and loss of blood.

Jesus Christ, a descendant of Abraham, was a member of the house of David. He was the supposed son of the late Joseph, a carpenter of Nazareth and Mary, His devoted mother. (He often substantiated His claim that His true Father was God.) Jesus was born in the city of Bethlehem, Judea. He is survived by His mother Mary, His faithful apostles and numerous disciples.

Jesus was self-educated and spent the last three years of this life working as a teacher. Jesus also occasionally worked as a medical doctor, and it is reported that He healed many patients. Until the time of His death, Jesus was teaching and sharing the good news, healing the sick, touching the lonely, feeding the hungry, and helping the poor.

Jesus was most noted for telling parables about His Father's kingdom and performing miracles such as feeding of 5,000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish and healing a man who was born blind. On the day before His death, He held a last supper celebrating the Passover Feast, at which He foretold His death.

The body was quickly buried in a stone grave, which was donated by Joseph of Arimathea, a secret disciple. By order of Pontius Pilate, a boulder was rolled in front of the tomb. Roman soldiers were put on guard.

In lieu of flowers, the family requested that everyone try to live as Jesus did. Donations may be sent to anyone in need.

Author Unknown

P.S.: A remarkable follow up report to this obituary: On the third day after the crucifixion, His followers discovered that the tomb was empty! Jesus had told them He would rise from the dead, and true to His Word, He still lives. Read Luke 24 for the amazing account of what happened on the third day.

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Regularly Scheduled Services

Sunday worship: 9:30am
Sunday Bible class: 11:00am
Sunday evening: 6:00pm
Wednesday Bible class: 7:00pm

*Make promises
sparingly, but keep
them faithfully, no
matter the cost to you.*

Family News

“So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.”
Galatians 6:10, NAS95.

If you're a visitor to our church, welcome! If you have questions, we welcome them; please don't hesitate to ask Park Linscomb our minister (the really tall guy) or any other church member.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

TRUNK OR TREAT REPORT

Well, it was a wet, chilly evening, but several brave families came out and dressed their trunks for Trunk or Treat. While the attendance was not as big as last year, for the weather the turnout was not bad.

Thanks to all the families who braved the 'less than ideal' weather last Sunday night for Trunk or Treat.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER is this Monday evening. After dinner at 6pm we'll be sending cards, making visits, praying together. Kim & Kara are signed up for Nov., and the Johnson's for Dec. Please sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the back of the auditorium, if you're coming, so we'll know how to prepare.

NEW CLASS STARTING: A new adult study on the topic of "Angels" will be offered by Rich Therrien. It will meet in the back left classroom on Sundays. Thanks, Rich!

TURKEY BASKETS will be assembled and distributed on Tuesday, Nov. 22. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.

CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held on December 10, 5:30 - 9:00pm at the Skerry home. More details to come.



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INFORMATION AND
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NOV. 20 AT LUNCH

HELP NEEDED

SNOW Removal Lottery (REALLY GROUND CARE): A signup sheet is posted for Snow Removal (maybe you get lucky and it doesn't snow your week!!!) This building belongs to all of us and we need to tend to the exterior. Bring the kids to work as a family.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

No one is scheduled to cook supper at this point. This is a grand opportunity for you to "step up to the plate" and serve the church. If you are willing to help please tell Kathy, Park or Mark or call the church office.

And by the way, we need more volunteers. Many hands make light work, you know.

Lord's Supper To Shut Ins:

Volunteers are needed beginning in December, this month, now!

JANITOR POSITION—If you expressed interest in this job, please contact Gerry Millette.

THANK YOU

- For the work being done around the office building (door, electrical work)
- For our teachers who prepare their classes and share God's word with young and old weekly.
- For those who open their homes to our teens

ADDITIONS- ELECTRONIC LIBRARY

We have added media to the library. Please come use our assets. Recently added are CDs from ladies' retreat and Dr. Joe's lessons.

OTHER NOTES

It was great to see Malachi back in worship on Sunday. Cards would still be appreciated.

PRAYER

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS: THE EDGEWOOD CONGREGATION'S SPIRITUAL HEALTH, CASEY JONES, LYNN MILLETTE, THOM FORESTBURG, BRIAN DAY, MALACHI NORRIS, NICK BONZAGNI
CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS: MINISTERS, ELDERS, DEACONS, TEACHERS, PARENTS, GANDER BROOK
ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS ARE ON THE BACK PAGE OF THE WORSHIP INSERT



A Word of Encouragement

“For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it.”
Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

IMPROVING PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY

‘I would study the Bible more, but I do not get anything out of it. I just cannot seem to understand what I read, and what I do understand, I cannot remember.’

Sound familiar? We all want to learn the Bible and have all started to read it though but got bogged down and burned out. Since Bible study is the lifeblood of a Christian (2 Tim. 2:15; Rom. 10:17), it behooves us to ‘pay the price’ to learn how to make our Bible study time profitable and soul-strengthening.

TRY THESE GUIDELINES TO MAKE THE BEST USE OF YOUR TIME:

- 1. GET A GOOD BIBLE.** It is better to spend a little extra to get a Bible you can keep for a lifetime. Get one with easy-to-read print (your eyesight will not get any better), get a reliable translation, (New American Standard (NAS) or New International Version (NIV) are considered the most accurate), and one with adequate study helps (concordance, dictionary, maps).
- 2. SET ASIDE A SPECIFIC TIME FOR STUDY EACH DAY.** Personalities differ; therefore, each should choose his own best time. Some like to get up a little early and study before the day begins; others like to study around lunch time; many choose to retire early at night to a quiet place. The main thing is to study at the same time each day. Make your Bible study a habit (Acts 17:11). Bad habits are hard to break, but so are good ones! Do not let anything keep you from your Bible study on any day. Be jealous of it and selfish about it.
- 3. STUDY FOR A SET AMOUNT OF TIME.** Study for as long as you can keep your mind on it. Many choose to study for thirty minutes at a time. Others enjoy a full hour. Some find that fifteen minutes of concentrated study two or three times a day is best for them.
- 4. STUDY SITTING OR STANDING.** Most fall into the trap of reading while reclining in bed just before falling to sleep. This is a disadvantage to concentration and learning. It is better to study sitting at a desk or even standing beside a table or counter (it is hard to fall asleep while standing!).
- 5. STUDY IN THE SAME PLACE.** Choose a quiet place away from the television, cell phone, telephone (cell phones can be put on ‘silent’), children, radio and any other distractions. It is best to study in the same place because familiar surroundings provide fewer distractions.



6. STUDY WITH A PLAN IN MIND. Immature Bible students skip around and have no real goal in mind. Mature students choose a book and plan to learn that book before going to another. Or they may choose a single subject and refuse to get sidetracked until they feel they understand the Bible’s teaching on it. Reading nine chapters a day will put you through the New Testament once a month (even taking Sunday off). The average reader can read the New Testament through once every forty days by giving one-half hour to the project.

7. FOCUS CONCENTRATION. This is the key to learning. It is better to study with full concentration for ten minutes than to put a half-hearted effort into thirty minutes/ if your mind states to drift, stand and stretch, start reading aloud or write down notes.

8. MARK KEY VERSES. Do not be afraid to mark in your Bible. It is a tool and a map to help you go from earth to heaven. By marking the verses that you want to remember, you have sharpened your tool and traced your path. This will also help you find important verses faster later. Many use a marker, but get one that does not bleed through.

9. TAKE NOTES AND WRITE DOWN QUESTIONS. It is easier to remember something we have written down. Even if we never look at it again, but writing it down, we have solidified it more clearly in our minds. Write down any questions that rise immediately - before you forget them. Your spouse, Bible class teacher, an elder or preacher, or good commentary may help with the answers.

10. MAKE BIBLE STUDY A PRIORITY. (Mt. 6:33; Col. 3:1,2). If we are going to be serious about serious things, let’s not put Bible study toward the bottom of our daily ‘to do’ lists. Why not make it a rule that you do not turn on the television or get on the computer until your Bible study is completed?

11. USE WHAT YOU LEARN. If you want to remember what you have learned, you must use it. The Bible is not meant to be studied only academically; it must be used as a handbook for daily Christian living (Tit. 2:7-14).

12. TELL SOMEONE WHAT YOU LEARNED. Test these guidelines for a couple of weeks and see if you do not learn a great deal and enjoy Bible study more than ever!



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 🕒 Calendars for November and December can be found in the foyer.
- 🕒 Nov 12 - Game Night @7pm. Come on over with a game or a snack and have some fun!
- 🕒 Nov 13- Teen Lunch together. Nadeau's is our destination this month!
- 🕒 Nov 18-20th - Ward Street Youth Rally. We will meet at the Church building at 4:15 with the cars pulling out at 4:30. If you are not there at 4:30 the cars will not be there either. Bring money for dinner and you get 1 bag for your clothes.

Food for Thought...

One of the most famous teachings of Jesus are the Beatitudes. When we see these verses there are lots of key things we can take and apply to our lives. As you read this section of scripture put yourself in the place of one of the people looking up at Jesus on the Mountain. What are some things that you can use in your life? What are some of the ways that we can change our lives to follow what Jesus is teaching us better? These are words that we have from Jesus himself. What a better way to learn then to learn from Christ himself! God's word says...

"Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

The Beatitudes:
And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you." Matt 5:1-12
- Mark

Thought Provoking Section:

Church is a community, what are you giving to help your community grow?

Family Bible Reading and Congregational Calendar for Nov 6- Nov 12

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 - I John 2 9:30am Worship 11am - Bible Class 6pm - Evening Worship Deniza Chase - BD	7 - Eze. 47/48	8 - I John 3	9 - Dan. 1-2 6pm - Supper 7pm - Wed. class	10 - I John 4 Lauren King - BD	11 - Dan. 3-4 Dick & Freda Potter - Anniv Ken Simon - BD Teen devo @ Kathy F.'s home	12 - I John 5 Darlene Cordaro - BD