

Announcements

Sunday school (for all ages) – Summer break.

Interested in membership at Christ the Shepherd? Join the New Members/Communicants class beginning September 10th. Classes run through October.

Wednesday – 7 am at the church building:

Man2Man – Men will discuss The Man in the Leather Hat.

Saturday – 9 am at the church building:

Men will discuss R.C. Sproul's Everyone's a Theologian.

Women will discuss Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis.

Hopeline Pregnancy Center – Diaper Drive coming soon!

Mark your calendar!

September 4th – Hutchinsons' Labor Day cook out begins at noon. Hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks are provided. Please bring a salad, side dish, and/or dessert. **42 Hine Hill Rd, New Milford**. RSVP to Paula.

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Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Invocation

*Hymns and Songs of Worship and Adoration

Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord (#19)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (#598)

*Confession of Faith – The Apostles' Creed (pg. 845)

*Old Testament Scripture – Psalm 78:21 - 25 (pg. 489)

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Absolution

Pastoral Prayer

*Worship through giving back to God

Break Thou the Bread of Life (#146)

Sermon – How to Do the Work of God

John 6:28 – 34 (pg. 891)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Music for Meditation

Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted (#257)

*Closing Song – Christ is Coming! (#324)

*Gloria Patri (#735)

*Benediction

* Please stand if able.

Corporate Prayer of Confession

O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But please, Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation, so that we may love you with a holy love. Amen.

Regarding the Lord's Supper

All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and are members in good standing in any evangelical church are welcome to partake of the Lord's Supper with us.

We use wine in the Lord's Supper believing it to be the Biblical element Jesus used when He instituted this sacrament. Wine is in the red cups. Grape juice is in the clear cups for those who prefer it. The bread is gluten - free.

Food for Thought

"...call down manna from heaven...is a demand that Jesus prove his messianic status by duplicating or surpassing the miracle of the manna. But Jesus could not possibly acquiesce to such a demand. With the crowd's interest in a primarily political messiah, for Jesus to give in to their demand would have been to acknowledge the rightness of the aspirations they had displayed the day before, aspirations he had then rejected (vv. 14, 15). Worse still, it would have meant the domestication of his revealing and saving work: he would have become captive to the whims of a demanding crowd."

—D.A. Carson, Commentary on the Gospel According to John