



March 26, 2017

Congregational Singing Harvest Praise Team
Blessed Be Your Name

Welcome and Announcements Chad Seay

Quiet and Worshipful Reflection – Adonai (Lord, Master)

Invocation/Prayer of Confession Joel Bradberry

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*Great Are You Lord
Cornerstone*

Children’s Catechism – All children K-5 are invited to come forward.

Worship through Offering Rob Roberts

Offertory/Congregational Singing Harvest Praise Team
At the Cross

If you are visiting with us today please do not feel compelled to give. If you filled out a visitor card feel free to put it in the offering basket.

Worship in the Word “Head Coverings” Joel Bradberry
I Corinthians 11:2-16

The Lord’s Supper Elders

Church Covenant/Benediction Alex Crain
II Corinthians 13:14

Pray for HCF and Pastor Joel as we continue the sermon series in I Corinthians entitled “The Troubled, Triumphant Church.” Please take time each week to read through and meditate on that week’s text and then come each Sunday expecting to hear from God through “the foolishness of preaching.” For next week be familiar with I Corinthians chapter 11:17-34.

Question/answer for this week’s Children’s Catechism- **What are the sacraments or ordinances?** Baptism and the Lord’s Supper.

We will have a **members’ meeting** next Sunday, April 2nd. There will be a luncheon immediately following the worship service and the members’ meeting will follow lunch. We will vote on Jason & Sherry Brumbach and Rick & Pat Jenkins for membership. Please fill out the insert and drop it in the offering plate today.

Our **NAMB missionaries** of the week – **Captain Terry and Joanne Gordan** – Chaplain, U.S. Navy, San Diego, CA.

Centrifuge – HCF Youth will go to Centrifuge June 19th - 24th and the sign-up sheet in on the back table or you can contact Jonathan Atkinson if you have any questions at 441-2695 or kwatkinson4@gmail.com.

The **new member’s class** meets today at 4:00pm at our church offices. Please know that taking the new member’s classes does not obligate you to join HCF. If you are interested there is no need to notify anyone today; simply be at the office and ready to begin at 4:00pm. (Lesson #4 – Missions and Outreach)

Mark the Date! Vacation Bible School is scheduled for the week of July 24-28th with our picnic on July 29th.

We need your help! Please be praying about how you can be involved in VBS this year. We need hosts, music/opening leaders, game leaders, craft leaders, and teachers. Please contact Priscilla Riley (804-241-9837) if you have questions about what is involved with each of these positions, or if you would like to sign up!

If you have an interest in video editing and / or photo and graphics creation and you would be willing to share that talent to help with items for HCF's website, please contact Wanda Gooding. [cell: 804-334-0647 or email to WFGemail@comcast.net.

NewTheo@9 Classes will begin next Sunday:

Old Testament Overview – Part 1 – Why study the Old Testament? First, because the Old Testament reveals the character of God in a way that the New Testament does not and secondly, the Old Testament tells us about Jesus. This will be taught by Joel Bradberry and will meet in room #28.

Behold Your God – A 12-week study that focuses on God’s self-revelation in the bible, helping individuals to apply the descriptions of God to all of life. Each week’s

lesson will include a short biographical sketch of a significant figure from Christian history, a review of the week's study through the workbook and an interview from a contemporary minister whose life and labors reflect these same truths. This class will be taught by Barry Taylor and will meet in the Library.

Biblical Manhood & Womanhood - Biblical Manhood & Womanhood - What does it mean to be a man? What does it mean to be a woman? Do men and women have different roles? Some might say those are the wrong questions, that we need a new flexibility when it comes to issues of gender and sexuality. Thankfully, the Bible speaks to these issues. And we'll listen to what scripture says in our core seminar on Biblical Manhood and Womanhood. This class will be taught by David Walker and will meet in room #27.

Women's Bible Study – Live a Praying Life meets on Thursdays at 6:00pm at the home of Phyllis Abbott, 7225 Hanover Grove Lane.

Women's Bible Study in Galatians every Monday at 6:15 at Seay Realty; prayer time at 7:00pm. Any questions, please contact Janlyn Anthony at 804-475-6203.

Women's Bible Study in I Peter on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am at the home of Priscilla Riley, 3731 Horseshoe Dr., Quinton, VA. Any questions please call Priscilla at 241-9837.

Men's Bible Study – Men's Bible study and prayer time on Friday mornings, 6:00 am at the HCF Offices.

Youth Worship Service – Wednesdays at Old Church Community Center, 2080 Old Church Road, Mechanicsville - 6:45 to 8:00pm.

There will be an elder (Joel Bradberry) available in the front office at the conclusion of worship to pray with you or attempt to answer any questions you have about HCF or the Christian faith.

HCF Elders

Buck Wicker, John Riley, Joel Bradberry, David Walker and Barry Taylor

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Lord's Super Insert

Dear Friend,

Thank you for joining us in worship. As you will notice we will observe the Lord's Supper today. This is a joyous time for all believers as we feast at our Lord's Table. You need not be a member at Harvest to participate—we simply ask that you be a professing believer to partake.

We want to be clear as to what we believe happens during the Lord's Supper so that you are adequately informed before the bread and cup are distributed. (By the way, these elements will be distributed to you. You will not need to leave your seat. Please take the bread and cup and wait until all have been served. We will partake together).

So, what happens at the Lord's Table? First, imperfect believers act in obedience to their Lord's command. The Lord's Supper is one of two ceremonies ordained by Jesus for his church, the other being baptism. The Lord's Supper is a visible representation of the gospel and is therefore good news for weary saints—not sinless ones. So we confess known sin and gladly receive the bread and cup.

Second, as we experience the elements, we commemorate Christ's sacrificial death and resurrection which he accomplished for our atonement. The bread and cup are signs of the body and blood of Jesus. As signs they point to the realities of his body and blood; however, the signs are not the same as the things they point to. The bread is bread and not the real body of Jesus. Likewise the cup is juice of the vine and not the blood of the Savior.¹ Led by the Holy Spirit we obediently remember the person and work of Jesus on our behalf.

Third, the body of Christ—the church—engages in true fellowship with God and each other at the Table. Unity is demonstrated by our common dependence

¹ At HCF we use grape juice.

on Christ—we eat from a common loaf and drink the fruit of the vine poured from a common cup. The Table spread before us today is a forerunner of the future Marriage Supper of the Lamb described in Revelation 19.

Fourth, we celebrate. Commemorating Christ and his gospel is ultimately joyous. It is an occasion whereby we offer sacrifices of praise and joyfully look forward to his return to usher in the consummation of his kingdom. We celebrate each time the gospel is heralded. The good news is not simply old news to maturing Christians. In fact, mature believers understand that the gospel is not only the spark that ignites eternal life but is also the fuel that sustains it. Hearing the gospel time and again is great joy! Seeing the gospel in the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, likewise, is a source of great joy.

Fifth, as we experience continual reminders of our position in Christ, we align our lives to God's ways. We walk closer with Christ motivated more by love than compulsion. In other words, we grow to love God with all of our hearts, souls, minds, and strength; and love our neighbors as ourselves.

Finally, and perhaps most significant, we cooperate with God in his supernatural work of sanctification. Our obedience in examining ourselves in light of God's holiness, remembering Christ's atonement for our sins, communing with God and one another, celebrating the Gospel, and partaking of the elements is supernaturally used of God to make us more conformed to the image of his Son. In this sense we can say that God, not man, is the primary actor during the Lord's Supper. God the Father, through the Holy Spirit, faithfully assures us of our salvation, security, home in heaven, forgiveness of sins, and all of the benefits that accompany our adopted status as children of God through our union with Christ. We are nurtured and our faith is strengthened by Christ at his table.

What will happen today at the Lord's Table? In short, God will sanctify us and strengthen our faith as we hear, see, touch, smell, and taste the gospel. We, in obedience to our Master, remember his sacrificial death. Through the work of the Holy Spirit we feed on Christ—our faith is strengthened by the assurance of all his benefits provided for his church. There is great joy as we draw sustenance from a common loaf and a common cup. Such joy excites faith and love. Such joy motivates us towards loving obedience to the two great commandments.

Grace and Peace to you,

HCF Elders