

Privileged to Serve

Morning Worship

Announcements: Byran Hatcher

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

Opening Prayer: Barry Hatcher

Lord's Table:
Presiding: Kyle Pool

Assisting: Brynn Hatcher
Patrick Floyd

Sermon: Byran Hatcher

Closing Prayer: Phil Byrd

Those serving Wednesday

Song Leader: Chad Futrell

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Teacher: Byran Hatcher

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Pantry Item

Tuna Fish

Sermon Notes *The Gospel of Jesus Christ*

I. His _____

II. His _____

III. His _____

April 17, 2022

Welcome!

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Service Times
Sunday:
B. C. 9:00am
Worship 10:00am

Wednesday Night:
B. C. 7:00pm

Ladies' Class:
Tuesdays 10:00am

Elders
Wade Hedgepeth
Byran Hatcher

Deacon
John Williams

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“Cry aloud and shout...for great in the midst of thee is the Holy One of Israel.” Isaiah 12:6

The Purpose of the Cross

The cross and the death of Jesus Christ is the central theme of man's redemption, Christian worship, and also in living the Christian life. In the death of Christ, on the cross of calvary, one is amazed at the just dying for the unjust; the righteous sacrificed for the unrighteous; the innocent paying the price for the guilty. John, the baptizer and cousin to the Lord, stated, “*Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world*” (John 1:29). Isaiah prophesied of the intense sufferings the Savior would endure at the close of His life for the sinners of the world (Isa. 53).

Let us consider four reasons the Son of God, Jesus the Christ, fixed His eyes upon the cross of calvary.

Christ died in order to become King. Jesus the Christ did not arrive on the scene as a conquering military leader, riding on a prancing stallion, but he came riding on a lowly colt of an ass (Zech. 9:9). He did not come to subdue nations, cities, and physical lands, but to win the hearts of those who would obey him. He did not come as a distinguished statesman, yet he delivered many profound sermons and was the Master Teacher. Instead, He came to minister and to give his life a ransom for many (Matt. 20:28). As a result of His obedience to the Father, at the cross, he became King of kings, Lord of lords and Savior of souls (Heb. 2:9-10). He died to become the King over our souls.

Christ died in order to prove his Messiahship. By the cross, Christ demonstrated himself to be the Anointed One. The Hebrew writer spoke of Christ's purging our sins and reigning at the right hand of the throne of God (Heb. 1:2-4). Christ claimed victory over death by his resurrection on the third day (1 Cor. 15:1-19). Christ left undeniable proof of the prophecies He fulfilled. The final proof of his Messiahship was demonstrated by his death on the cross.

Christ died to manifest God's love for man. God's love is evidenced by Paul as he wrote, “*But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us*” (Rom. 5:8). John spoke of the degree of God's love as he stated, “*For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life*” (John 3:16). God's tremendous love for man caused his Son to die on the cross. He became a propitiation for our sins. A redemption of man’s soul back to the God that gave it.

Christ died for our sins. Christ's blood was shed in his death as the atonement for our sins (Rom. 5:9-11). His blood went backward and forward in redeeming man. His blood covers our past sins and future sins as one meets his requirements for pardon. He is our propitiation (1 John 2:2). He is our mediator (1 Tim. 2:5). He brings sinful man back into friendly relations with God the Father after our separation from him because of our sins (Isa. 59:1-2). Our sins put the Son of God on the cross.

In his death, Jesus the Christ sustained the majesty of divine law which sinful man had trampled under foot. Christ paid the penalty of its violation. Because of his death, sinful man can live forever in the bliss of heaven by obedience to heaven's terms of pardon.

-BTH

By the Numbers

Attendance 4/10/22

Bible Class: 38

A.M. Worship: 60

Wed. B. C.: 30

Family News and Notes

Ron and Vicki Austin are at home ill. Linda Williams’ mother, **Mary Pipkens** and her brothers, **Wayne** and **Harry** all are in need of prayer because of serious health concerns. **Frances Salaz** is going through chemo. **Linda Hernandez** has been dealing with a heart issue and has not been able to be at worship. Let’s remember one another in prayer.

Pray for our world leaders at this time. Much of the 82nd Airborne is already in Europe to support our allies and in case war breaks out.

Active military: Pray for all active duty military members; they could be called to a conflict area at a moment’s notice. Remember to pray for their families as well. We have 4 active duty members here at Cape Fear.

Also remember: **Margaret Langston, Vicky Carver, Deborah Ross, the Davis** family. Please pray for those in Bible Studies, teachers and students!

Bible Reading Plan						
April 17	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21	April 22	April 23
Gen 1-2	Gen 3-4	Gen 5-6	Gen 7-8	Gen 9-10	Gen 11-12	Gen 13-14
Ps 107	Ps 108	Ps 109	Ps 110	Ps 111	Ps 112	Ps 113

Events

Ladies’ Tea: Saturday May, 7th at 10am. Home of Jennifer Hatcher. Bring a teacup!

Lectureship: Sheffield Dr. In Rocky Mount, Saturday, May 14th, 9-3

