

By Way Of Introduction

THE WORSHIP IS SIMPLE & DIGNIFIED

We truly hope you will be impressed by the simplicity and dignity of our services. They are designed to draw you closer to God and provide an atmosphere in which you can worship God in spirit and truth (John 4:24). Because all we do, is governed by the Word of God, you will find us observing only those things contained therein. We shall do our best to emulate the pattern of the early Church of the Bible in everything we do. The following is a list and explanation of each item of worship:

Prayer...

The prayers will be led by male members of the Church and are designed to thank God for His blessings and request His continued care for us.

Singing...

Our song service will be different from that customarily practiced in many churches. No mechanical instruments of music will be used. As Christians, we are commanded to sing and make melody in our heart (Ephesians 5:19, Colossians 3:16). Because of this, we believe it would be an addition to His Will if we added and employed instruments of music. We encourage you to sing “a cappella” [without musical instruments and “the way of the Church”] along with us.

Teaching...

The teaching service will be handled by men only, speaking one at a time. The women will remain silent, not because we think they are inferior, but because God has forbidden them to speak in the Church (1 Corinthians 14:35). The teaching is designed to instruct and exhort you in the ways of righteousness. You are invited to follow along in the Bible as the speaker presents the lesson. We feel sure you will leave greatly benefited by the Word of God being proclaimed.

Contribution...

The collection will be gathered only at the Lord’s Day morning worship service (1 Corinthians 16:1-2). At this time, each disciple gives of his means as he has been prospered and as he has purposed in his heart. Non-members of the Church will not be asked to give.

The Lord's Supper...

The Lord’s Supper, or the Communion, will be observed just as it was the night Jesus instituted it and as He commanded us to do. It is a joint participation by each disciple of the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 10:16). The Brother waiting on the table will offer thanks for the bread, break a piece from it, eat, and pass it on to another disciple until the whole assembly has broken (Acts 20:7). He will then take the cup, offer thanks, take a drink, and pass it on to each disciple until all drink. This is the simple attern given in the New Testament, and repeated at this congregation every first day of the week (Matthew 26:26-28).

The Believers (disciples) Are Christians Only According to Acts 11:26...

“the disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.” The confusion and division in the religious world have resulted in party names and creeds. **We have no creed but Christ, accept no book but the Bible, and wear no name but Christian.** We believe that when we preach the Bible only, we will be Christians only.

You Will Never Be Embarrassed!

At each service, an invitation song will be sung. Those who desire to become Christians are invited to step forward and let their desires be made known. One who **believes** in Christ (Hebrews 11:6), **repents** of his sins (Luke 13:3), **confesses** Christ (Romans 10:9-10), and is **baptized** into Christ (Galatians 3:26-27) is added by the Lord to the Church (Acts 2:47). By virtue of this obedience, one is recognized as a member of the Lord’s Church. However, this action is voluntary on the part of the one desiring to become a Christian. You will never be singled out for public attention or embarrassment. Brethren will also be available after services at any time to assist you in becoming a Christian.

Our Fervent Prayer Is That You Will Always Find a Friendly and Warm Welcome.

Solomon said, *“He who would have friends must first show himself friendly”* (Proverbs 18:24). For this reason, the people of this congregation will greet you with a friendly smile and warm welcome. Every visitor at this place is an honored guest. We hope you will visit us in the near future. A cordial invitation is always extended, and a gracious welcome always awaits.

“I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.” - Psalm 122:1