

Leipsic First Christian Church

April 8, 2018

Church News and Announcements

Good Morning!

The Afterlife seems to be a hot topic. We all want to know about it. But Scripture talks about 3 places: Heaven, Hell, and Hades. Today I will be attempting to explain a term that I've never preached about before (or quite frankly even spent a lot of time thinking about). It's a place called Hades. As I've studied it, I've learned that it is a "waiting place" (not to be confused with a place our brethren in the Roman Catholic Church call purgatory). Hopefully I will be able to explain what Scripture says about this place. The bottom line is that Jesus is calling us to be prepared. Where we spend the afterlife depends on our faith in Him. While today's message may be something you have never heard before, have an open mind and let God's Word teach you about this place.

Thanks for being here today! -- Pastor Tim

Here are the songs we will be using today:

Praise and Worship:

We Have Come Into His House

Our God

Adoration

This Is Amazing Grace

Beautiful Savior

Opening Song: 580—There Shall Be Showers of Blessings

Communion Song: 254—Near the Cross

Closing Song: 159—Sweet, Sweet Spirit

Serving Today:

Elder: Adam Cupp

Deacons: Armando Carrera, Nathan Coil, Jason Richard, Kevin McGlaughlin

Deaconess: Tracy Coil

Organist: Mary Bishop

Acolyte: Sierra Steingass

Nursery Today: Beth Lammon **Next Week:** Kris Cupp

Junior Church Leaders: Shelly Meyer & Karon Panches

- The Healing Hearts Prayer Team will meet tomorrow evening in the Sanctuary beginning at 7:00 PM.
- The Church Board will meet on Wednesday in the Church basement beginning at 7:30 PM.
- A Pastor's Class will take place on Saturday(s) April 21 and May 5 beginning at 10:00 AM. This is for any young person who is interested in being baptized. We will meet in the Church (enter the sanctuary through the elevator please). See Pastor Tim if you want to attend these classes. Baptism Sunday will be on Pentecost Sunday, May 20 during the morning Worship Service that day.
- Offering Last Sunday: \$2,688.00; Weekly Budget: \$2,005.96

Some persons buy cemetery lots in advance, but do nothing about getting a place in Heaven.

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Our Mission statement can be simply stated as **Know, Grow, and Show**:

We seek to **KNOW** God through worship and fellowship;

We seek to **GROW** spiritually and corporately;

We seek to **SHOW** the community who Jesus is.

WELCOME! If this is your first visit to Leipsic First Christian Church (or even if you have been hanging out for a long time) we are so glad you are here. Sometimes, when we visit some place new, we have lots of questions. So here are a few notes that might answer some of those questions:

- **We're nothing special**—just a bunch of Christ followers on a journey to figure out how we fit in God's Kingdom and how to live in this world. We make mistakes like everyone else but we are striving to do better each day.
- We serve **Communion** (the Lord's Supper) **every week**. Ours is an "open table" which means that you don't have to be a member here to participate in communion. The only requirement is that you have confessed Jesus as your Lord and Savior. As the trays are passed just take each element and pass it on to the next person. (Go ahead and give the cup back).
- We serve **coffee** (usually). It's located up at the front of the church in the room on the left.
- We have a **nursery** for children from birth through age 4. It's downstairs in the basement in the northwest corner.
- **During the school year** we have a **Junior Worship** service in the basement that takes place during worship for children grades K-5.
- We have this wild **greeting (or fellowship) time** that takes place early in the service. Hold on to your hats, because this is a crazy friendly place and you will be greeted multiple times.
- **More about Leipsic First Christian Church** can be found on our website (see below)

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