

TIME OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Classes	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Worship Service	6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS
ONLY. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS
COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE
NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.**



StoneRidge Church of Christ

where CHRIST is the chief cornerstone
1 Peter 2:7

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The Physical Death of Jesus

"In 1986, The American Medical Association published an article titled "The Physical Death of Jesus Christ". It details the entire process of Jesus' trial to His death on the cross. In Luke 22, before Jesus is arrested, it is written that He was in great distress & sweating blood. Although rare, it is recognized as Hematidrosis, caused by high amounts of stress.

At the time, the crucifixion was considered the worst death for the worst of criminals. But this is not all Jesus faced. He endured whipping so severe that it tore the flesh from His body. He was beaten so horrific that His face was torn & His beard ripped. A crown of thorns, 2-3 inches long cut deeply into His scalp. The leather whip used to flog Him had tiny iron balls & sharp bones. The balls caused internal injuries while the sharp bones ripped open His flesh. His skeletal muscles, veins, & bowels we're exposed, causing major blood loss. Most men do not survive this kind of torture. After Jesus was severely flogged, He was forced to carry His own cross while people mocked & spat on Him.

Crucifixion was a process meant to instill excruciating pain, creating a slow & agonizing death. Nails as long as 8 inches were driven into Jesus' wrists & feet. The Roman soldiers knew the tendon in the wrists would tear & break, forcing Jesus to use His back muscles to support Himself to breathe. Imagine the struggle, the pain, the courage. Jesus endured this reality for 3 hours! The Gospel of John writes that after Jesus' death, a Roman soldier pierced His side with a spear & blood & water came out. Scientists explain that from hypovolemic shock, the rapid heartrate causes fluid to gather in the sack around

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the lungs & heart. The gathering of fluid in the membrane around the heart is called Pericardial effusion & the lungs, Pleural effusion.

To the world, Christianity is as foolish as it can get. They believe it's for the weak. But when you are confronted by the reality of the cross, it's clearly not a pretty sight. It is brutal & horrific. This is the weight Jesus carried. The weight of the sins of the world, all so that we can live. God's wrath is fully satisfied in Jesus. This is what it took. Repent & believe! Jesus is "God among us" in the flesh. Jesus is our Savior. Jesus loves you so much, He went through this spiritual and physical punishment for your sins and mine. Jesus is Lord, Almighty God, Everlasting Father." -Ron Page!

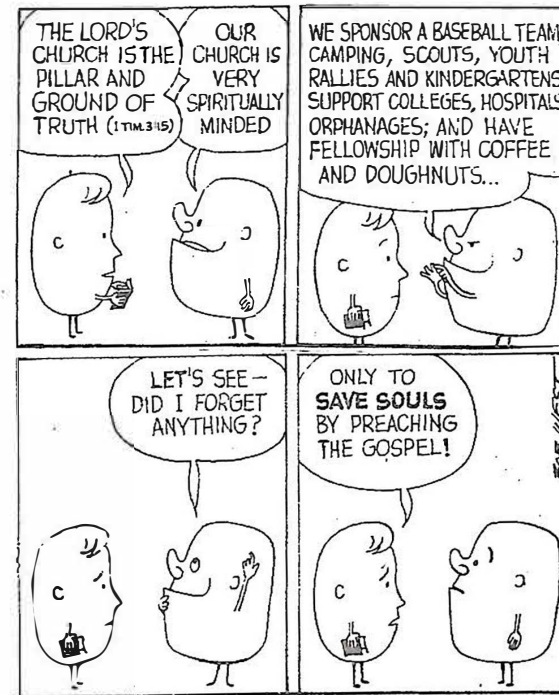
Am I Martha?
Am I Peter
Saying Christ is God's own Son?
Someone asks if I have faith
When trials hit me 'til I'm numb.
Both were servants.
Both had problems,
Yet they still sat at Jesus' feet.
Human frailties, through the ages
But their example, I must repeat.
Yes, I believe that Christ is God.
Yes, I'll confess it. I am proud
To know He suffered, died for me,
Just one of many in a crowd.
I am unworthy, yet God's grace
And my obedience to His call
Gives me a home reserved in Heaven ...
Make earthly trials worth it all.
John 11:27; Matthew 16:16

Netagene Kirkpatrick

No smile is as beautiful as the one that struggles through tears.

News/Notes/Quotes.

NOTE: This bulletin was prepared in advance so for up-to-date news be sure to catch the announcements this morning.



He who is on the road to heaven will not be content to go there alone.

Christ never told his disciples to stay at home and wait for sinners to come to them.

Discontent is the penalty we must pay for being ungrateful for what we have.

People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges.