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you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you." In this passage, after having fed the 5000, Jesus is describing the need for followers to receive him as the bread of life, descended from heaven. There is nothing in the context of the passage to suggest that he is referencing the Lord's Supper instituted just before his betrayal and death.

Countless communion talks have referenced John 6 in reminding us that without eating and drinking, we have no life in us. Unfortunately, just because the metaphor of bread and blood are used here does not mean that it is what Jesus later referenced as the "weekly memorial meal."

It is like the mistake between country and continent for the college instructor. One can know a truth, but that truth can misinform other things. Where belonging to God means belonging to each other

Grace and peace,

Carl

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# The Day Is At Hand

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Have you noticed that when we begin with an assumption, it can skew our understanding of the facts that follow it?

A contemporary example was mentioned online recently. A college student received a failing grade on a paper when her instructor asked for a comparison paper on social norms between the USA and another country. The student chose Australia. In the college instructor's defense, Australia is indeed a continent, but she did not realize that it is also a country. Each time the instructor read the word "country" in her head she thought "continent" and reduced the student's grade. Ultimately the student failed the class which led to her protesting the grade, resulting in the instructor being dismissed.

If we begin with an erroneous assumption it can cause us to make many misinformed choices afterwards. It is something of which we must be aware.

Jesus tells the crowd following him in John 6:53, "Truly, truly I say to you, unless

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SUNDAY:Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am<br/>Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am<br/>Worship Service—10:45 amWEDNESDAY:Varies by Time of Year (refer to Bulletin News)<br/>Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,<br/>George Shelton, Tom TurnerDEACONS:Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril<br/>Richard Brensing

#### **WORSHIP ORDER FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2018**

SONG LEADER: Gary Hornbaker GATHERING SONG: No. 435-Come Into His Presence WELCOME: Orrin Feril SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 97:10-12 (Jayce Feril) SONGS: No. 15-Step by Step No. 266—Majesty No. 300—Praise Him! Praise Him! No. 96—I Stand In Awe (Stand for song & prayer) PRAYER: Jerry Kinnamon SONG: No. 287—There Is A Redeemer COMMUNION: Stan Aldrich Fred Johnson Teddy Gingrich Chris Mansel MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Romans 13:11-12) SONG: No. 864—Where the Gates Swing Outward Never LESSON: Carl Feril (Children's Bible Hour) SONG: No. 903—There is Power in the Blood (vs 1) PRAYER: Joe Cornwell

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### WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again!

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

We will take a break from the Young Parents class this Wednesday evening and resume next week. So, NO meeting this week.

#### WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD

The Women Walking with God conference hosted by the Northside congregation in Wichita will be April 13-14, 2018 at Hartman Arena. The theme this year is "Trust His Path." *Good News!* A notice went out this week that the <u>early bird</u> <u>registration fee of \$63 is being extended until February 15th!</u> Go to the website for more information: www.womenwalkingwithgod.org

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Vicky Mansel—Feb 13 Phillip Koelsch—Feb 17

# SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy to the family of <u>Doug Brown</u> who passed away last Sunday. His funeral was at Stafford last Thursday. Doug was the Stafford Chief of Police for the past 23 years.

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#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Orvalee Aldrich**—to have another heart procedure this week **Jim Walton** (Stafford) - recently diagnosed with throat cancer Carl Dudrey (Gladys' brother) - now in the hospital in Pratt Marilyn Thornburg—recuperating from a recent surgery **George Shelton**—eyesight issues Gayle Sears (Marla's friend) breast cancer Katherine Suiter—cancer Crystal Easley (Terry & Linda Welch's daughter) -Stage 4 cancer Sherri Owens Clint Bonner-multiple myeloma David Ivy (Marilyn's brother, in Washington) - Emphysema Jim Sorensen (Tara's brother-in-law) brain cancer Marilyn Sprawka (Don Rugan's sister) - cancer Jenny Walker (Carol's sister) Roger Dick—ongoing cancer treatments Theo Birkett (Tara's mother) **Jim Soukup** (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband]) June Cornwell—Kenwood Plaza Glennys Sallabedra (Tom's mother) - Stafford Leisure Homestead

### Memory Work for 2018—<u>Romans 13:11-12</u>