THE CHURCH IN MADISON - WORSHIP & MINISTRY MEETING SPRING 2024

The Practical Expression of the Church

The Eternal Purpose of God

1/28/2024

What is the church?

Ephesians 1:22-23 - And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church, which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.

1 Corinthians 1:2a - To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints.

1 Corinthians 3:9b - You are God's cultivated land, God's building.

Ephesians 2:22 - In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

Ephesians 4:15-16 - But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ, out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

Ephesians 2:5-6 - Even when we were dead in offenses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved) and raised us up together with Him and seated us together with Him <u>in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus</u>.

The church purposed in eternity

Ephesians 3:9 - And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,

3:10 - In order that now to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenlies the multifarious wisdom of God might be made known through the church,

3:11 - According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord.

All things are for the church

Revelation 4:11b - For You have created all things, and because of Your will they were, and were created.

Ephesians 1:5 - Predestinating us unto sonship through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.

1:9 - Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself.

Gifted persons and the church

Ephesians 4:11-12 - And He Himself gave some as apostles and some as prophets and some as evangelists and some as shepherds and teachers, for the perfecting of the saints unto the work of the ministry, unto the building up of the Body of Christ.

The beginning and the end of the New Testament

Matthew 16:18 - I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Revelation 1:10-11 - I was in spirit on the Lord's Day and heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, saying, What you see write in a scroll and send it to <u>the seven churches</u>: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamos and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.

Christian Students at UW-Madison

Weekly opportunities for fellowship and Christian community:

- Mon. and Thurs. night Dorm Bible Studies kickoff this week!
 - Mon. 7pm @ Ed Gordon Suite, 2nd floor of Gordon Dining Hall
 - o Thurs. 7pm @ Dejope room 1112
- Throughout the week appointments on campus (lunch, Bible-reading, sports, etc.)
- Wed. night Revive (Students' Large Group Dinner and Meeting) 6:30pm @ 1900 University
- Friday night Home meetings in the community
- Lord's Day Worship & Ministry Meeting of the church in Madison 11:00am @ 1900 University

Upcoming Events:

- Midwest Spring College Conference. "Live In Christ". Joliet, IL. Feb 23-25. Cost: \$100, (\$90 for first time conference goers). Deadline to sign up: Feb 4 (next Sunday).
- Spring Break Trip: Cincinnati, Atlanta, Lexington. Meet other Christ-pursuing students and see what God is doing on other college campuses. March 23-29. More details to come. Registration will open soon.

Resources:

- Download the Christian Students at UW-Madison App!
 - o App Store: csatuw
 - Google Play: cs@uw
- Bible Reading Challenge 1 chapter/day, 6 days/week.
 - Work together to read the Bible consistently and consecutively for a prize at the end of the semester
 - o Follow our schedule, or set your own goal and try to read a little bit each day.
 - Our schedule this week: Romans 1-6
 - Winter Break Reading Challenge is complete! Fill out "Bible Reading over Break" on the app. Reward for 20+, Special reward for 30+.