We continue stedfastly in prayer, and in the ministry of the word.

Acts 6: 4 ASV

### Christ Breaking Bread Communion Message

Sunday 16 April, 2017 A.D. (Anno Domini – In the year of our Lord) Sunday 20 Nissan, 5777

- 20 March 2017 was the Vernal Equinox.
- 28 March 2017 reckons 1 Nissan 5777.
   1 The LORD spake unto Moses... 2 This month shall be the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. Exodus 12: 1-2 KJV
- 11 April 2017 was the Full Moon.
- 15 Nissan 5777 @ 8:27 p.m. Passover began.
- 16 April 2017 the first Sunday after is Easter.
- We celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and His appearance to many.

 Welcome to fellowship. We continue stedfastly in doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Let our voices unite in prayer.

- My Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, that I may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- My body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

I Corinthians 6: 19

The place in which the Holy Spirit dwells,

I Corinthians 6: 20

- the instrument through which the Holy Spirit works. I Corinthians 6: 20
- Let mine eye look upon no evil thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let my tongue speak no filthy thing. Romans 12: 1
- Let mine hand do no lawless deed. Romans 12: 1
- Let my body, with all its energies and powers,
   be a living sacrifice. Romans 12: 1
- Let me do good works also. Romans 12: 2

- Let my hand do alms. Romans 12: 2
- Let my mouth bless. Romans 12: 2
- Let my ear find leisure hearing Scripture.
   Romans 12: 2
- Let my service be Holy and acceptable unto God. Romans 12: 2
- Let me put on kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering, forgiveness and above all charity, which is the bond of perfectness. Colossians 3: 12-14

- Let me put off; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication and lying. Colossians 3: 8-9
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14 Amen.

Let's worship in song, listen first then sing.

BLESSED ASSURANCE Hymn #2

1. Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine! Heir of sal-va-tion pur-chase of God, Born of His Spir-it, washed in His blood. This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Savior all the day long; This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

3. Per-fect sub-mis-sion all is at rest, I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest; Watching and wait-ing, look-ing above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Savior all the day long; This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Let's continue to worship in song.

Hymn #12 BLESSED REDEEMER

- 1. Up Cal-vary's mountain one dreadful morn, Walked Christ my Savior, weary and worn;
- Fac-ing for sin-ners death on the cross, That He might save them from endless loss.
  - Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;
- Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

2. "Fa-ther, forgive them!" thus did He pray, E'en while His life-blood flowed fast a-way;

Pray-ing for sin-ners while in such woe- No one but Je-sus ev-er loved so.

Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;

Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

- 3. O how I love Him, Sav-iour and friend, How can my prais-es ev-er find end!
- Thro' years un-num-bered on heaven's shore, My tongue shall praise Him for-ev-er-more.
  - Bless-ed Re-deem-er! Pre-cious Re-deem-er! Seems now I see Him on Cal-va-ry's tree;
  - Wound-ed and bleed-ing, for sin-ners plead-ing-Blind and un-heed—ing- dy-ing for me!

**END** 

- If you have made confession with your mouth;
  Jesus is Lord, believe in your heart God raised
  Him from the dead, and have been obedient in
  baptism, you are invited to partake of the Lords
  Supper.
- Every one angry with his brother shall be in danger of the judgment. If you are at the altar, and remember thy brother hath aught against thee, leave the altar, and go be reconciled to thy brother, then come and offer thy gift.

Matthew 5: 22-24 ASV

Prayer for Breaking of Bread

Let voices unite in an Intimate Prayer of Petition.

- Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Luke 11: 2
- I come boldly unto the throne of grace, to find help in time of need. Hebrews 4: 16
- Asking all in Jesus name. John 14: 14
- Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Psalm 51: 2
- I have sinned, and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3: 23

- O God, blot out my transgression. Psalm 51: 1
- Conscious of mine iniquity; my sin is continually before me. Psalm 51: 3
- Against thee only have I sinned, and done evil.

  Psalm 51: 4
- Jesus took bread, blessed, and brake it. He said, Take, eat; this is my body. Matthew 26: 26
- My body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. Luke 22: 19

- Jesus took a cup, gave thanks, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is My blood of the covenant, poured out for remission of sins. Matthew 26: 27-28
- God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16
- I like sheep have gone astray; I have turned to my own way; and Jehovah has laid on Jesus my iniquity. Isaiah 53: 6

- Jesus has borne my griefs, carried my sorrows; was wounded for my transgressions, and bruised for my iniquities; the chastisement of my peace was upon Him; and with His stripes I am healed. Isaiah 53: 4-5
- Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as in heaven. Matthew 6: 10
- For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Matthew 6: 13 Amen.

Celebrate Breaking of Bread

Praise God singing the Doxology:

Praise, God, from whom all bless-ings flow,
Praise Him, all crea-tures here be-low;
Praise Him a-bove, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost! A-men.

• Text: Matthew 26: 26-28 ASV

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it; and he gave to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. 27 And he took a cup, and gave thanks, and gave to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; 28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many unto remission of sins.

 What's God's primary will and intent through out the Old Testament? The Bible constantly stresses the thought of creating a memorial in remembrance of the name of the Lord. The whole purpose of all God's activity with Israel in giving revelation and special grace to that people, making it fruitful in their lives, and colorful in public worship among them, causes His name to dwell there. The same purpose now permeates the soul of the Servant of the Lord, the Priest of the house of God, of Him who has been faithful to the last detail. He does

just one thing; causes His name to be remembered. 19 And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave to them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Luke 22: 19 ASV Christ establishes a memorial for His name, establishes a memorial for God.

 He is able to do that because He is the temple of the living God, as well as the Priest of that temple. He can do it because He is at the point of supplying the altar with His sacrifice. God

Himself is creating a memorial to His name by letting the Son institute the Lord's Supper.

 By entering into communion with His suffering any believer can feel the power of the Holy Spirit burning within. As often as the believer wants to feel the power of the Holy Spirit burning within he may seize upon his Lord, triumph in His death, rise with Him in brokenness to confess that to lose everything in the world's terms is equivalent to gaining God and Christ for eternity.

 How does He accomplish this? In this unique hour the Holy Spirit takes away the agonizing bleat of the dying lamb and replaces it with the dying Lamb of God who takes bread and blesses it, takes wine and blesses it, taking both as His signs. The table for the Lord's Supper is set with bread and wine. Everywhere in the world there is bread and wine. Heaven is satisfied! By His shedding of blood every other stream is stopped. Christ puts His church at rest by choosing signs from the bloodless order of created things, choosing them from the most

- ordinary of daily needs, the popular food and the popular drink. By this means He tells the church I give you Myself completely. Take and eat. An eternal memorial for Me as your Lord and Servant.
- Christ received His own at the table of Communion. The Priest after the order of Melchizedek overturned the altar of Aaron; but Aaron's breast-cloth, on which he bore the names of the tribes of Israel over his heart, remained, and that is our comfort. Christ

- receives His own within His heart: He is their intercessor before they know it.
- Listen to Christ tell Simon 31 behold, Satan asked to have you, that he might sift you as wheat: 32 but I made supplication for thee, that thy faith fail not. Luke 22: 31-32 ASV Satan wants to sift the disciples as wheat, but that Christ interposes making intercession between Satan's desire and the Father's right. The first thanksgiving service! The church still continues engaging in a thanksgiving service immediately

- after the celebration of the Lord's Supper.
   Sometimes it is a meditation. It can be a prayer.
   Or it may be singing the Doxology.
- After having concentrated our thoughts, in the Lord's Supper and thanksgiving, thoughts scatter again. In the Supper, Christ bound up the souls of His own with His soul. He intensifies and ultimately unites ours and His. When the Lord's Supper is finished, we must be led from the heights of faith to the edge of the cliff beneath which the bottomless abyss

yawns; heaven and hell open before us! Our concentration of heart is followed by expansion to God's highest height and Satan's deepest depth. After the intense concentrated intimacy of that moment of Communion with Christ comes the shock of a spoken word by which all the chasms of hell and all the forces of heaven are revealed. But it is comfort to know Jesus Christ, as Intercessor and as Mediator, understood the profundity of hell and entered His plea against Satan with the Father in

- highest heaven for all His own. We owe Him gratitude and do this in remembrance of Him.
- Christ's suffering at the institution of the Lord's Supper becomes a festival confirming our faith. No other name among men or under heaven is memorial to the remembrance of God and His love. 16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3: 16 ASV Standing beside the table He takes it upon Himself to destroy the Anti-

christ by the sword of His mouth and strengthen His people till the end of time. It is ancient and modern. It is blessing to the humblest and curses the proudest. It represents love and wrath. It is tenderness and force. The Lord's Supper affects the whole world! It is not a sacrifice; it is the breaking of bread.

Let's praise the Lord in song.

Hymn #25 VICTORY IN JESUS

 1. I heard an old, old story, how a Sav-ior came from glo-ry,

How He gave His life on Cal-va-ry to save a wretch like me;

I heard a-bout His groan-ing, of His pre-cious bloods a-ton-ing,

Then I re-pent-ed of my sins and won the vic-to-ry.

#### CHORUS

O vic-to-ry in Je-sus, my Sav-ior, for-ev-er!

He sought me and bought me with His re-deeming blood;

He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him-

He plunged me to vic-to-ry be-neath the cleansing flood.

3. I heard a-bout a man-sion He has built for me in glo-ry,

And I heard a-bout the streets of gold be-yond the crystal sea,

A-bout the an-gels sing-ing and the old re-demption sto-ry-

And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of vic-to-ry.

#### CHORUS

O vic-to-ry in Je-sus, my Sav-ior, for-ev-er!

He sought me and bought me with His re-deeming blood;

He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him-

He plunged me to vic-to-ry be-neath the cleansing flood.

**END** 

Lord willing, we study doctrine and pray every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Join us.