

have time to eat lunch and then rest, visit, shop, or engage in some sort of entertainment. We try to give the Lord two or three hours of his day and use the remainder for self. Is Sunday a special day to you? In what way? To the glory of God or to our own satisfaction?

J. F. Dancer, Jr., *Southside Informer* (Houston, MS), 10-25-15

2016 Vacation Bible School

"THANK YOU!" to all of you who assisted with the Vacation Bible School June 3rd. There were many contributors who used their time and talents to make it a success. Thanks to those who taught, assisted classes, prepared lessons, prepared art work and banners, made costumes, portrayed Bible characters, invited people to attend, and brought children to the Bible School. We express a special thanks to Shanna Cline for a great job of organizing class materials and distributing materials to all the teachers.

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Ac 20:7 Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until midnight.

What Is Sunday to You?

I find it interesting as I read interviews of "famous" people what they say Sunday is to them. Usually it is a day of rest or a day spent with the family. Only rarely is it mentioned that Sunday is a day of worship to God. I know that those who read this article will not be considered "famous" in the eyes of the world. However, you are important to God for he sent Jesus to die for you (John 2:16; Hebrews 2:9).

Sunday is referred to in the Bible as "the first day of the week" (Acts 20:7) and as "the Lord's day" (Revelation 1:9). In neither place is it called "Sunday," but Jesus' tomb was found empty on the first day of the week (Luke 24:1-3). This was the day the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles and the church came into existence (Acts 2) so it is logical that "the first day of the week" is "the Lord's day." So, what does Sunday mean to you?

Times of Services

Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:00 p. m. Worship

Wednesday

- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Other Study and Worship Opportunities

- 2nd Sunday 2:00 p.m. Trinity Care Home Worship Service
- 2nd Saturday 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study –Ranch House Restaurant
- 3rd Sunday Neighborhood Bible Study 6:00 p.m. (TBA)
- Young Bible Scholars monthly meeting 6:15 p.m. (TBA)
- The Pines Bible Study Sunday 8:00 p.m.; Mon. 5:00 p.m.
- Cady Hill Bible Study Sunday 8:00 p.m.; Thurs. 6:00 p.m.
- Recorded sermons and Gospel Meetings can be obtained by signing up in the foyer or going to the church website at <http://eastcolumbuschurch.com/> or contacting Steve Coburn.
- Kevin Kay addresses submitted Bible questions in his sermon on the 1st Sunday of the month. Don't forget to submit questions.

News and Notes

- **Home Bound Members:** Mike Butler, Jack Burkes, Eula Mae Harliss, and Burt Wheeler
- **Limited Health:** Joyce Monasco, Joyce Ratcliff, Willena Woods, Wade and Doris McCrary
- **Under Care for Cancer:** Carolyn Johnson
- **Sick:** Frances Barham is now at home under hospice care. Steve Coburn is still battling a painful bout with pleurisy.

Bible Question? What is an imprecatory psalm?

Your Answer:

It is the day we remember the Lord's resurrection, and the resurrection of Jesus is the very basis of our faith. If Jesus was not raised, our faith is useless (1 Corinthians 15:16-17). His resurrection gives us faith in our being raised (1 Corinthians 15:52-57) to live eternally with God. His resurrection was a declaration by God that Jesus was truly His son (Romans 1:4). All of this is tied to the first day of the week (Sunday).

It is on this day that saints partake of the Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7) as a memorial to the Lord's death and coming again (1 Corinthians 11:26). As we eat the bread we remember his body being nailed to the cross (1 Corinthians 11:24) and the fruit of the vine brings to mind his blood (Matthew 20:20; 1 Corinthians 11:25) which washes away our sins in the water of baptism (Romans 6:3-4) and upon confession of our later sin (1 John 1:7, 9). So, what is Sunday to you?

It is on this day that we assemble with God's people. We come together to sing (Colossians 3:16), to pray (Acts 4:24; 2:42), to study God's word (Acts 20:7; 11:23), to give into a common treasury (1 Corinthians 16:1-2) and to remember the death of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:23-29). In doing these things together we give and receive spiritual strength and encouragement. All these things are necessary to our mutual edification as we strive to please God in a sinful world. So, what does Sunday mean to you?

Yet, in spite of all this and it being "the Lord's day" we have the tendency to turn it into "my day." We try to get through the worship services fast enough that we can