



Fairfield Good News

WORSHIPPING THE LORD FOR OVER 300 YEARS!

June 2021

Sunday, June 6
Communion Service

Monday, May 7
Consistory Meeting

Sunday, June 20
Fathers' Day

Monday, June 21
First Day
Summer



Common Participants at the Table by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson

What does it mean when we eat the bread and drink the cup at the Lord's Supper? How should we think about it when we partake? The Apostle Paul wrote:

"Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a *participation* in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a *participation* in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. Consider the people of Israel: Do not those who eat the sacrifices *participate* in the altar?" (1 Corinthians 10:16-18, NIV)

One word stands out because it is repeated again and again — the Greek word *koinonia*, "participation" (NIV) also translated as "communion" (KJV) or "sharing" (NRSV). It means sharing something in common with others, common participation in something with other people.

- We participate with all the others who partake of the one loaf, the one Bread who unites us all — Catholics and Protestants, Orthodox and Pentecostal. We are one at the Lord's Table.
- We participate in the body and blood of Jesus, sacrificed for our sins. When we partake we confirm again their saving power on our behalf.
- We participate, in a sense, in the altar of sacrifice. The Jewish priests sacrificed upon an altar in the temple. But the "altar" upon which the Lamb of God was slain is the cross. By eating the elements of the Lord's supper we participate, in a sense, in the cross itself. We affirm that we are crucified with Christ.

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The Lord's Supper is a remembrance. It is also a participation with Christ himself and with all others who follow him.

Note: The root word of *koinonia*, "participation, sharing" is *koine*, which means common in contrast to private or sacred — common ground, common pastureland, communal property, a couple's community property. When it refers to people it means "participants, fellows." The idea is that which is shared in common with others. (Friedrich Hauck, "*koinonos, ktl.*," TDNT 3:789-809)

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June 12 Gary Morgenland
June 19 Roberta Vega
June 28 Laura Safar



June 3 Allan & Phyllis Conover
June 21 Betty & Jim Gwinn
June 28 Barbara & Ron Watterston

As you may know, Gov. Murphy has lifted the indoor mask mandate in NJ.

Regarding in-person worship at our church, this means:

1. Those who are fully vaccinated are no longer required to wear a mask in church
2. Those not fully vaccinated are encouraged to wear a mask in church
3. Those vaccinated who are more comfortable wearing a mask are welcome do so
4. We will no longer take your temperature as you enter the church but hand sanitizer is still available

To date 93% of our people are fully vaccinated.

Teacher (on phone): You say Michael has a cold and can't come to school today?

To whom am I speaking?

Voice: This is my father.



Did you know that Father's Day was first celebrated on June 19, 1910, while Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1908? Sonora Smart Dodd wanted a day to celebrate her father, a civil war veteran and single parent, who raised six children all by himself.

Son: For \$20, I'll be good.

Dad: Oh, yeah? When I was your age, I was good for nothing.

Dad Wisdom: I know what I'm getting for Father's Day. Last night my daughter asked me what size aftershave I wear.

Proverbs 1:8: "Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching."

Psalm 103:13: "As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him."

Gidean's, the pandemic & technology

When we think of the Gideans, we think of witnessing and Bibles being given out on college campuses, etc. BUT, during the pandemic last year, that was not possible. Find out how Gideans were able to continue their work . . .

"According to a Forbes article, internet usage is up between 50-70% in the midst of COVID-19. The world is right at your fingertip. Yet, sometimes we forget the opportunities technology provides us. How can the Lord use us and our relationship with technology during seasons of separation—for *His good*? Perhaps God has prepared us for such a time as this.

More than anything, God wants to be in community with us. He leaves the 99 for the single, lost sheep; He cries out for those who do not yet know Him. He wants everyone to have access to Him, and we have the opportunity to help make that possible.

GOD USES TECHNOLOGY TO CHANGE LIVES

The Gideons International offers a unique opportunity to share Scripture using the Gideon Bible App. The app is free, and functions much like our Testaments, only it's on your phone.

The app includes a Decision section that outlines what it means to have a personal relationship with Jesus. The Helps section points directly to life topics, such as worry or stress, and guides readers to verses of truth. The app also has over 1,350 languages, which offers a personal touch as people are able to hear and read God's Word in their own language." *

*Gideans.org/blog

Click [here](#) to read a testimony from Cameroon showing the power of having God's Word in your hands and hearing it with the touch of a button:



Welcome Summer



Biblical Names - Word Search

There are thirty biblical name in this word search game. Spare some time and try to find them.

The words in this word search are hidden across, down, and diagonally, with backwards.

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 T S I L T O D D Z P O E N U P A U L P C
 H M E T T W T F O A M T F E I N M A P G
 N L M U E P E U S T M E K O A U H S O J
 A B R A H A M I A E F O E I T A E I O A
 K D R I D E S H I H N H O J S N G B S N
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 C R O Y S Y J E B E S W K E L H L L E G
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ABEL	EVE	JESUS	MATHIAS	SAMSON
ABRAHAM	GOLIATH	JOHN	MOSES	SAUL
ANDREW	ISAAC	JOSHUA	NOAH	SIMON
BARTHOLOMEW	JACOB	LUKE	PAUL	SOLOMON
CALEB	JAMES	MARK	PETER	THOMAS
DAVID	JEREMIAH	MARY	PHILIP	TIMOTHY