

TIME OF SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible Classes	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Worship Service	6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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**THE BIBLE AND THE BIBLE ONLY,
MAKES CHRISTIANS AND CHRISTIANS
ONLY. THE CHURCH OF CHRIST IS
COMPOSED OF CHRISTIANS WHO HAVE
NOT JOINED A DENOMINATION.**



StoneRidge Church of Christ

where CHRIST is the chief cornerstone
1 Peter 2:7

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Satan's Counterfeits

Why are we surprised? Satan counterfeits everything God creates, designs, and orders.

Why are we surprised Satan mocks the one-flesh relationship of a man and woman (Matthew 19:1ff)? Same-sex marriages, divorce for any cause, promiscuity before and during are his wars against fidelity and purity. Here Satan is synonymous with the World.

Why are we surprised Satan confuses the minds of many so that God's creation of male and female (Genesis 1:26-28) is even questioned? Two is now expanded to 20-30 genders! Satan is here wearing the name of false tolerance by counterfeiting proper tolerance.

Why are we surprised Satan turns those who want to worship God into their own demonic gods? Sincerely they worship according to what pleases the flesh thinking it pleases God. If it sounds impossible for Christians to become so self-deluded as to worship demons and call it good, read 1 Corinthians 10:14-22. Here Satan disguises himself as openness.

Why are we surprised Satan builds his own churches? If how we worship doesn't matter, then 1 Corinthians 11 is a waste of restoring the Lord's supper! If how we are organized is up to us, then why spend so much time on elders and deacons (1 Timothy 3; Titus 1)? "Choosing the church of your choice" sounds very American and capitalistic. Satan wears the false mask of freedom.

Teach your children Satan is trying to fool them by buying their God-given affections with his counterfeits. *-Perry Hall*

Practices of Baptism

Roman Catholics practice infant baptism because they incorrectly believe infants have original sin; but correctly believe God teaches baptism is when He forgives sin (Acts 2:38).

Protestants practice infant baptism even though infants cannot believe, but know faith is required, so they require the parents to believe (Mark 16:16). Some Baptists correctly believe baptism is when God adds to the church, but wrongly make that church a local congregation and not the one body (1 Corinthians 12:13; Acts 2:38-47).

Many denominations practice some kind of baptism saying it is only "an outward expression of an inward grace"; while it is a symbol it is not just a symbol because it is when God decided to give His grace (Romans 6).

To learn more about what God teaches, let's study what He said instead of what churches practice. Let me know when we can meet.

THE SICK. **Beth Cosseyis** is still biding her time, waiting to be assigned to a long care facility, but has shown some improvement. **J.D. McGregor** is slowly improving...**Virginia Bishop** is still waiting for treatment of her pain. Hopefully soon. **Charles Wayne French** (Nola Christenberry's brother) has not been doing well lately and needs continued prayers...**Donald Crisler** continues his treatment for cancer...Remember our shut-ins: **Madonna Vines** is confined at home. **Bob and Jean Evans** are also confined at home...**Gail Brooks** and **Rita Kieffer** are both at St. Bernard Village...**Shirley Coots** at Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... **Joyce Riley** is at St. Elizabeth's Place... Continue to remember all of these in your prayers.

PODCAST! Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from John Mundy on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am.

THEOPHILUS



Everything looks impossible for the people who never try anything.

Faith makes all things possible, not easy.

Try and fail, but don't fail to try.

Success seems to be largely a matter of hanging on after others have let go.

A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed.

There would be less busybodies in the church if we could keep everybody busy.

A church is not a gallery for the exhibition of eminent Christians but a school for the education of imperfect ones.

We are defined not just by the opportunities that we make, but by what we make of the opportunities.

