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# Heaven Rules

**Part 2**  
**Because of Easter**

*(Part 1: January 14, 2024)*

## Lunch Fellowship TODAY



CPF holds a fellowship lunch monthly, generally on the second Sunday of the month. It's potluck! Everyone is welcome to join us.

Looking ahead to May—our luncheon will be on **May 5** since the second Sunday of May is *Mother's Day*. Our speakers in May will be our own Dave and Maxine Balsbaugh of *Hope Seeds International*.



*Have you been considering where you could serve at CrossPointe?*

Please prayerfully consider becoming involved in one of these areas:

Would you be able to serve in our **Music ministry**? James is looking for instrumentalists and vocalists to fill out our Worship Team. We also need folks who are willing to learn the soundboard, run the video presentation and help with other tech duties.



Another area that needs more help is our growing **Student ministry**. The biggest current need in our Student Discipleship ministry is for some additional leaders for **Children's Church**. We are looking for individuals and couples who would serve in this capacity in a monthly rotation. Please pray about this opportunity and talk to Steve DeWitt

## Our Priorities

### *Love God*

"You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the great and foremost commandment." (*Jesus*)

**Matthew 22:37-38**

### *Love One Another*

"The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (*Jesus*) **Matthew 22:39**

### *Live the Mission*

"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (*Jesus*) **Matthew 22:18-20**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BLAST



**6:00PM Family Dinner** (donations appreciated)

**6:45PM SALTY YOUTH** grades 8-12 2023-2024

**WARRIORS FOR CHRIST** grades 5-7 2023-2024

**Boys Club** grades K-4 2023-2024

**Girls Club** grades K-4 2023-2024

**Preschool** 3-5 years old

## CPF Calendar This Week

### Sunday, April 14

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups  
11:30 am Fellowship Luncheon

### Monday, April 15

- 9:30 am BSF Ladies  
6:00 pm Persecuted Church

### Wednesday, April 17

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am Wednesday Women (see lback)  
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)  
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST  
*groups from 3 years—12th grade*

### Thursday, April 18

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (followed by Hope Seeds packing time)  
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

### Friday, April 18 & Saturday, April 19

Fellowship Hall in use

### Sunday, April 21

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups



## How to Reach Us

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thanks  
be to **God**  
1 Cor. 15:57  
who gives us the  
**VICTORY**  
through our Lord *Jesus Christ*



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**Children's Church** (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

### **CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic/Group</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Location</b>
Sun	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Mark</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Revelation</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>Mark</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	Women— <i>The Blessing of Humility</i>	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (all welcome)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>1 Corinthians</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..*

Several other groups meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**.

Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

#### ***GIVING INFORMATION:***

*Our Donation Buckets* are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: ***Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement*** available from your mobile app store . You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

**Giving Note:** The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..

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## Part 2

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**John 11:35** Jesus wept.

**Acts 8:2** And *some* devout men buried Stephen, and made loud lamentation over him.

**Acts 20:36** And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

<sup>37</sup> And they *began* to weep aloud and embraced Paul, and repeatedly kissed him,

<sup>38</sup> grieving especially over the word which he had spoken, that they should see his face no more...

**Romans 8:18** For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

<sup>19</sup> For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God.

<sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope

<sup>21</sup> that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

<sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

<sup>23</sup> And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for *our* adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.

**2 Corinthians 4:6** ...God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the surpassing greatness of the power may be of God and not from ourselves;

<sup>8</sup> *we are* afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing;

<sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

<sup>10</sup> always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

<sup>11</sup> For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

<sup>12</sup> So death works in us, but life in you.

<sup>13</sup> But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed, therefore I spoke," we also believe, therefore also we speak;

<sup>14</sup> knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and will present us with you.

<sup>15</sup> For all things *are* for your sakes, that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

<sup>17</sup> For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison,

<sup>18</sup> while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

**5:1** For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> For indeed in this *house* we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven;

<sup>3</sup> inasmuch as we, having put it on, shall not be found naked.

<sup>4</sup> For indeed while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed, but to be clothed, in order that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

<sup>5</sup> Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge.

<sup>6</sup> Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord--

<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight--

<sup>8</sup> we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore also we have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him.

**Romans 8:30** ...and whom He predestined, these He also called; and whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us?

<sup>32</sup> He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

<sup>33</sup> Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies;

<sup>34</sup> who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

<sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

<sup>36</sup> Just as it is written, "For Thy sake we are being put to death all day long; We were considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup> But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.

<sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

<sup>39</sup> nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.