

# Welcome to Walk in Faith Church!

## **Time of Worship**

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Worship Music:	Blessed Be Your Name
Worship Music:	This I Believe
Worship Music:	Homecoming

Prayer over Children's Church (for children K-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

We have Children's Church during worship. If you would like for your children to participate, they can go downstairs after the opening worship set. We will pray over them, and they will be dismissed. Please know that this is optional. Children are always welcome in our sanctuary! If you'd like your children to stay for worship, there are coloring/activity bags hanging on a rack in the back if you'd like to use them. You are welcome to take one for your child...simply return it to the rack after worship.

#### Time of Study of Holy Scripture

Scripture:	Luke 24:13–32
Message:	Open My Eyes

#### Service of Holy Communion

#### **Before Taking Communion:**

Lord Jesus, I bow before you in humility and ask You to examine my heart today. Show me anything that is not pleasing to You. Reveal any secret pride, any unconfessed sin, any rebellion or unforgiveness that may be hindering my relationship with You. I know that I am Your beloved child, having received You into my heart and life and having accepted Your death as penalty for my sinfulness. The price You paid covered me for all time, and my desire is to live for You.

#### Take the Bread:

As I take the bread representing Your life that was broken for me, I remember and celebrate Your faithfulness to me and to all who will receive You. I can't begin to fathom the agonizing suffering of Your crucifixion. Yet You took that pain for me. You died for me! Thank You, Jesus. Thank You for Your extravagant love and unmerited favor. Thank You that Your death gave me life—abundant life now, and eternal life forever. As You instructed Your disciples, I, too, receive this bread in remembrance of You.

### Take the Cup:

And in the same way, as I take this cup representing Your blood poured out from a splintered cross, I realize that You were the supreme sacrifice for all my sin: past, present, and future. Because of Your blood shed for me, and Your body broken for me, I can be free from the power and penalty of sin. Thank You for Your victory over death. You took the death that I deserved. You took my punishment. Your pain was indeed my gain. And today I remember and celebrate the precious gift of life You gave me through the blood that You spilled.

#### **Prayer After Taking Communion:**

But while my relationship is secure with you, I know sin can break our fellowship at times. I'm still human, and I often forget who I am and Whose I am. You want to convict and correct me, not shame me. You love me like

a perfect parent. You'll never disown me or leave me. You love me no matter what. But sin hurts both my heart and Yours. So in celebrating sacred communion with You today, I'm asking You to truly search my heart and reveal hidden things for which to ask Your forgiveness.

Each time I take communion, Lord, I recommit my life, my heart, my thoughts, my everything to You. Fill me today with Your powerful Spirit. As I leave this place, help me to hold this fresh remembrance and the story that never grows old close to my heart. Help me to share its message faithfully as You give me opportunity.

# Offering

The offering basket is in the back. You may also **text-to-give at 1-573-260-1657**, or download the app "**Church by MinistryOne**" - search for Walk in Faith Church to set up your giving, either a one-time donation or set up a regular giving schedule. Weblink: <u>https://www.kindridgiving.com/app/giving/walkinfaith</u>

Prayer of Thanksgiving over the offering

Blessing and Sending Forth Closing Music: Blessed Be Your Name



To list an announcement in the weekly Sunday bulletin, please email information to <u>WIFMOWorship@gmail.com</u> each week by no later than Thursday prior at 5pm. Please put "Announcement" in the subject line so that Emily can find it quickly.

# **Ongoing Events:**

- Sunday Bible Study 9 am before worship with Bill Thompson
- Children's Bible Study 9 am before worship with Lila Matheny
- Men's Bible Study Monday nights 6:30 pm in the church basement
  - NOTE: The Men's Bible Study group is starting a new book on Monday, May 2nd <u>Better Man</u>. This is a great time to join! <u>Ask Aaron about details</u> and let him know if you are interested.

### Upcoming Events:

• Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – YMCA Health Fair – The church has a booth and is looking for help booth planning, staffing the booth, etc.