

# Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM Sunday Worship 10:45 AM Sun. Day/Evening Groups Wed Bible Study 6:30 PM

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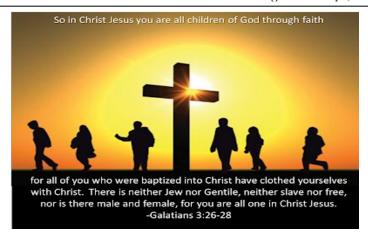
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#### **Monthly Service Schedules:**

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# Lewiston Church of Christ July 9, 2023





# Are We One?

**Jesus' church** is united by the following:

- Our common need (forgiveness);
- Our common birth (believer baptism);
- Our common mandate (to advance the gospel);
- Our common respect for God's word (learning);
- Our common trust (in Jesus);
- Our common gift (the Holy Spirit);
- Our common love (from God);
- Our common hope (eternal life).

So why is Christian unity so uncommon? Perhaps it is because it is easy to define ourselves by our ideals and intentions while ignoring our own failure to live up to them. This allows us to judge other individuals or groups harshly when they fall short while neglecting our own shortfalls. Such hypocrisy hurts Christian unity.

Also, Christian oneness is rare because some believers pursue truth at the expense of love, making us cold and graceless. But it is equally hurtful to pursue love at the expense of truth. That makes us shallow and godless. God's word is a good resource for Christian unity because it combines truth and love masterfully! And it strengthens our grip on the common points listed above.

If it's not love, it's not true. If it's not true, it's not love. Remember, love and truth can both be tender or tough. What matters is that we never divorce them. Let us keep truth and love together as we follow Jesus. And it won't hurt to keep an eye on the mission we affirm every Sunday on the back page of our bulletin:

> "To be united in faith by the word of God, To be a joy-filled congregation, Called by Christ to heal a broken world."