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Worship Service Details & Governance

Who can meet to worship?

1. God's desire is for all to come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9; John 3:16), so it is our heart that anyone can come to worship with us.
2. More specifically, church service is meant to be a time where believers could gather in support of one another, the Gospel, and to learn (Ephesians 4).
3. Another goal being to reach the lost for Christ with the Gospel (1 Corinthians 1:17).
4. If you are not a believer, you are encouraged to come. We do not cast judgment on anyone. Rather, we instruct all people with Biblical teachings. All believers were non-believers at some point in their lives. We welcome you to come and visit!

What kind of church is Restoration Church?

1. We are a Non-Denominational Christian church. We are Non-Denominational simply because the Bible does not list preferred denominations. The early Christians churches were one church and were many times characterized by being in "one accord." We desire this type of fellowship with other believers. By removing denominational titles from our church name, our hope is to draw in any who would hear truth. This does not mean that we accept all doctrines to be true and equal. We divide the word of truth as we are commanded to do (2 Timothy 2:15).

When do you meet?

1. We worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15am.
2. We meet on the 1st & 3rd Sunday evenings at 6:00pm for Youth & Adult Bible study.
3. Occasionally, we set aside special times and events to meet.
4. Our website address is also a helpful resource. Please visit us at:
<https://www.restorationchurchashecounty.org/>

Where do you meet?

1. We began meeting in homes.
2. We the met at the Ashe County Arts Council Building.
3. We now meet in a more traditional building located at 221 Barnett Street, West Jefferson, NC 28694.

Why do you meet?

1. The Bible commands that believers meet regularly with one another (Hebrews 10:25).
2. The purpose of meeting together is to instruct, learn, sing, pray, edify, encourage, correct, and to fulfill the purpose of being the “Body of Christ.”

How is your worship service organized?

1. We begin with a time of fellowship before church service ever starts.
2. We sing songs corporately. We sing a blend of traditional hymns and contemporary praise and worship music.
3. We have a sermon each week that is based on Biblical truths.
4. During the sermon, we have a “Children’s Church” time set up in classrooms downstairs for younger children who may need to receive teaching at their own level.
5. We worship by contributing to the ministry financially as well.

Beliefs about God?

1. We believe that God exists in three, co-equal (triune) persons. These persons are common referred to as the “Trinity” (Matthew 28:19). These persons are:
 - a. The Father
 - b. The Son
 - c. The Holy Spirit (Ghost)

Salvation Beliefs?

1. We believe that once sin entered into the world all became sinners (Romans 5). The Bible teaches that the payment/wages for sin is death (Romans 6:23). Therefore we must receive the gift of eternal life through Christ Jesus (Romans 6:23). We believe Jesus to be the Son of God. We believe that He lived a sinless life (Hebrews 4:15) and was sent to this world to save the lost (John 3).
2. We believe that faith in Christ is necessary for salvation (Ephesians 2:4; Romans 3:28). We believe that faith comes by hearing the Word of God preached (Romans 10:14-17). We believe that once a person has placed their faith in Christ for salvation, that person is already in the process of repentance (changing their mind or thoughts). We believe that the change of mind that is happening will eventually lead to fruit that others can see affirm (James 2:18; Galatians 5:22-23). One placing their faith in Christ simply means that they having openly confessed Jesus as Lord and that they believe in their heart that God raised Him from the dead. The Bible says, that these are the criteria for a person to be saved (Romans 10:9-10).
 - a. We believe in baptism as an ordinance of the Christian faith that each professing new believer should participate in as it is commanded in scripture (Matthew 28:19-20). Baptism without belief is not more than a ritual or bath.

- b. We believe that participation in the Lord's Supper is also an ordinance of the Christian faith. We believe a person must be "born again" in order to properly participate and remember Christ during this ordinance (1 Corinthians 11).
3. We believe that once a person comes to saving faith in Christ, that person is given the seal of the Holy Spirit as a guarantee of salvation (Ephesians 1:13). We believe that this occurs upon the moment of repentance (belief; a changed mind toward Christ as a means for salvation) and that the Holy Spirit helps to guide a person towards obedience concerning scriptural commands (Acts 10:43-45). We believe that the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential to living out the Christian life. Christ told His disciples that he would send the Helper/Comforter to come and that it was to their benefit (John 15:26-27).

Church Governance?

1. We are an Elder-led church.
 - a. Elders are men that God has anointed and prepared for the spiritual care and shepherding of the local church. The words bishop (overseer), pastor (shepherd), and prebyter (elder), are used interchangeably in scripture and are used to characterize those who lead the Christian church. The best examples of the qualifications for these individuals can be found in the following scriptures: Acts 14:23; Titus 1:5-9; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; 1 Peter 5:1-4; James 5:13-15; Hebrews 13:17.
2. Our leadership model also utilizes Deacons.
 - a. Deacons are most commonly characterized as "servants" of the church. The name Deacon in and of itself means, servant.
 - b. Deacons are men that are in charge of handling the day-to-day affairs of the church so that the Elders can be concerned with the ministry of teaching God's Word. The best example of how there became a need for Deacons can be found in Acts 6:1-7. The qualifications for Deacons can also be found in 1 Timothy 3:8-13.
 - i. Notice that Deacons in Acts 6:1-7 are also spiritual men. Not simply workers, but spiritual examples for the people.
3. Our Elders and Deacons meet each month to discuss doctrine, scripture, and the needs of the church.
4. We do not vote. We have to be in "one accord" before moving forward on decisions that impact the church. Voting entails a majority-wins type of thinking. It is political in nature and as such, leads to divisions in the church.
5. We believe that God placed the mantle of leadership upon certain equipped men in the local church and that by following the example of Jesus, our Chief Shepherd (1 Peter 5:1-4), the church will be healthy.

6. It is the job of the church leadership to update the church on major issues, to utilize Biblical discipline when necessary for attendees and those in leadership positions at the church.

Questions or Concerns?

1. If any person in the congregation has questions or concerns for the leadership of the church, they should come and speak with the Pastor individually after service.
2. We are committed to developing a Biblically sound leadership model.