



WELCOME! This morning we're continuing a study of four new realities that accompany a life of faith in our current period of time, the Church Age. The apostle Paul described believers in Jesus as being "released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the *new way*" with significant differences from all that came before. Thank you for joining us in worship today!

Participate

WORSHIP WITH US THROUGH
ORDINANCES AND TRADITIONS

- » **LORD'S SUPPER, NEXT WEEK:** Share in the bread and cup that symbolize our unity through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. *Gluten-free servings are available at the back of the room for those who need them.*
- » **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM, JUNE 8:** Proclaim your faith to your church family and follow Jesus in the practice of water baptism. *Sign up in Church Center if you'd like to be baptized during a worship service.*
- » **CHILD DEDICATION, JULY 13:** Parents, commit your children to the Lord as we welcome them into our community. *Sign up in Church Center if your family would like to dedicate a child during a worship service.*
- » **GIVE AT ANY TIME:** Financial giving in Grace Church is an act of worship to be done freely, joyously, and only as prompted by the Lord. *Gifts can be made at any offering box or online through Church Center.*

- I. What is the Church? — Acts 2:42–47
 - A. Israel and the Church — Romans 11:25
 - B. Ekklesia: the called out ones — Acts 11:26
- II. What is the focus of this new community? — Acts 2:42–47
 - A. Devotion to Teaching — 2 Timothy 3:16–17
 - B. Devotion to Participation — Hebrews 10:24–25
 - C. Devotion to Remembrance — 1 Corinthians 11:26;
Matthew 28:18–20
 - D. Devotion to Prayer — 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Notes

CAPTURE YOUR THOUGHTS
IN THE SPACE BELOW

Takeaways

PROMPTS TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS, AND APPLY WHAT YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING

- » How would you define the church?
- » Do any of the four fundamentals of the early church surprise you?
- » What does participation in this new way of community look like for you?
- » Why is it significant that we are “heaven-and-earth” people?
- » How has someone “put courage” in you?
- » How might you encourage someone this week?

Announcement

FEATURED NEWS
FOR YOU TODAY



- » **WHO:** Anyone ages 8 and up
- » **WHEN:** Saturday, May 31 in two shifts at 9:00 and 10:45 AM
- » **DETAILS:** After the Food Bank's biggest donation drive of the year, they face the monumental task of inspecting, cleaning, and organizing all the food that was given. By working together, we can help them with this costly task and free up their resources to be used in other ways like mobile pantries, the Produce Express, and children's programs. Food insecurity is a real issue in our area, so this is an important opportunity for our church family to show the love of Jesus and make a tangible impact on people's daily needs.
- » **NEXT STEPS:** Pick a time and sign up online or in the Church Center app. Please note that capacity is limited to 25 volunteers per shift.

Learn More

WHERE TO GET ANSWERS
AND FIND INFORMATION

WELCOME CENTER: Stop by and talk with us this morning

MONTHLY CALENDAR: Printed list of upcoming events

WEBSITE: Find detailed info online at gracechurch.com

CHURCH CENTER APP: Stay connected and go paperless ➦

