

“The Incarnation of The Son”

Luke 2:1-14

- What is the Incarnation?
 - The **Second person** of the Trinity putting on flesh and blood (John 1:1-3,14).
 - Jesus didn't need to pick between being God or man; He could be both at the exact same time (1 John 4:2-3).
 - Jesus taking on flesh means that He took on the entirety of what makes us human, namely, body, emotions, mind, and will. He was truly and fully human. *“Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect....For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.”* (Hebrews 2:17a; 4:15)
 - The Incarnation was not the beginning of the Second Person of the Trinity (John 1:1).
 - The child in the manger is 100% God and 100% man. The mystery of the Incarnation is unfathomable. The category of **the unfathomable** is what makes awe and humility essential to the Christian faith.
- Why is the virgin birth significant?
 - To show the supernatural nature of the birth of Christ and the resurrection of Christ (Matthew 1:20-21; Isaiah 45:21-22; Romans 8:11).
 - The reliability and fulfillment of the Scriptures (Isaiah 7:14).
 - It points to the pre-existence of Jesus (John 1:1,14).
 - It makes Christ's sinlessness possible (Hebrews 4:15).
 - To show the inability of man to produce their redeemer by themselves. All aspects of salvation are God initiated (Ephesians 1:3-7).
 - It shows us again that Jesus is both **human** (Mary) and **divine** (The Holy Spirit).
- Why was the Incarnation necessary?
 - The Incarnation fulfills prophecy (Isaiah 9:6).
 - The Incarnation is necessary for salvation to take place (Hebrews 9:14,22,26-28).
 - The Incarnation is necessary for us to have freedom from the power of sin, guilt, Satan, and Hell. To rescue from the fear of death (Hebrews 2:14-15; 2 Corinthians 7:10; Romans 6:5-14) and to bring purpose to our lives (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).
 - The Incarnation was necessary for us to have a human example of what it looked like to love God and love neighbor (John 13:34-35; 1 John 2:3-6).
 - The Incarnation was necessary for us to have eternal life and for the Son to do the Father's will in bringing salvation to mankind (John 6:33-40).
- What is the application of the Incarnation?
 - 2 Corinthians 8:9; Philippians 2:3-8

Worship: Rock of Ages — The Modern Post

Jesus Thank You — Sovereign Grace Music

On That Day — City Aight

Closing Song: He Will Hold Me Fast — Norton Hall Band

Service Times: Sundays: Prayer 4:30/Church 5:30; Tuesdays: (In-Home) Bible Study: Women 6:30/Men 6:30 & 7; Thursdays: Prayer 6:20/Church 7

Announcements:

★**WOMEN'S FALL GET-TOGETHER:** Ladies, we are having a Women's Fall Get-Together *THIS* Saturday, October 14th, at 3pm, here at the church Fellowship Hall! The church is providing coffee, tea, hot cider, and cookies. Feel free to bring a finger food or dessert to share! This is a great way to make new connections or just catch up with friends. Children are welcome, but no child care will be provided. If you have any questions, please see Andrea Fields.

★**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Men, the monthly men's breakfast is scheduled for *THIS* Saturday, October 14th, at 7am, at the Big Apple Café — Log Pond location. If you plan on attending the men's breakfast this Saturday, please let Joel Decker know by *THIS* Wednesday, October 11th.

★**BAPTISMS:** Our next Baptism service will be *NEXT* Sunday, October 15th. If you have any questions about being baptized or are interested in being baptized, please see Pastor Jeremey or one of the other elders.

★**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!** We would like to shower our pastor with love and encouragement during the month of October. Feel free to write a note of thanks or encouragement to Pastor Jeremey, and if you would like, feel free to include a gift or a gift card with your note. These notes and gifts can be given to Elder Zach anytime throughout the month, he will collect them all and give them to Pastor Jeremey at the end of the month. We are also taking a special collection throughout the month of October for Pastor Appreciation Month, if you would like to give toward this gift, you can either use the giving box in the entryway, please make sure to use a giving envelope to note that the gift is for Pastor Appreciation Month, or by Venmo, again, making sure to note that the gift is for Pastor Appreciation Month.

★**FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** We are having a Fellowship Dinner *TONIGHT* immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us!