

FOUNDATION OF FAITH

See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation Isaiah 28:16

February 19: Foundation in the Family

The Foundation of Faith is God's mercy as He has revealed Himself in Jesus Christ.

"Foundations" explores the ways God gives to receive and live out His grace in Christ Jesus.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer... Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42,46,47

What does the Church do when we are gathered?

Can (should) we do these things on our own?

What is the benefit of gathering together?

Do you prefer to watch movies/sports alone or with others?

What makes reading a book more enjoyable?

Genesis 1:28 John 20:21-23 Matthew 28:16-20 What do these "Great Commissions" have in common?

How do the creeds begin?

Can you believe for someone else?

How did Jesus teach us to pray? (Matthew 6; Luke 19) Is prayer something you do or we do?

How often did the early Christians meet together?

Acts 2:42-47, Hebrews 10:24-25

How often do we meet today?

What is "regular" church attendance? Is "going to church" "enough"?

The **Christian** Church

What makes us a "Christian gathering"?
Word, Sacraments, Forgiveness
What else do we do? – Why? (hint, look above)

The Christian Church

Visible and invisible

How does God organize His church? Ephesians 4:11-16

Whose job is it to DO the ministry of the Church?

Whose job is it to equip the people to do the ministry?

What is delegated by the congregation to the responsibility of the Pastor?

What is the calling or "vocation" of all Christians?

What are the benefits of being part of a "denomination"?

(not just LCMS)

What does "synod" mean?

What does "concordia" mean?

Growing and Doing (Life!) together

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

I Corinthians 12:27