

## **Call the Nation to Prayer (CTNTP) - 'As One' – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Afternoon Gathering – Meriden Sports Park

Introduction to sharing the Bread & Wine

– as read by Rev. Lynda Lilley, Pastor Kevin Hunt and Rev. Jane Braund

### **Lynda**

We're reading a few verses from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians chapters 10 & 11 taken from The Message:

*I assume I'm addressing believers now who are mature. Draw your own conclusions: When we drink the cup of blessing, aren't we taking into ourselves the blood, the very life, of Christ? And isn't it the same with the loaf of bread we break and eat? Don't we take into ourselves the body, the very life, of Christ? Because there is one loaf, our many-ness becomes one-ness—Christ doesn't become fragmented in us. Rather, we become unified in him. We don't reduce Christ to what we are; he raises us to what he is. If I eat what is served to me, grateful to God for what is on the table, how can I worry about what someone will say? I thanked God for it and he blessed it!*

### **Kevin**

Let me go over with you again exactly what goes on in the Lord's Supper and why it is so centrally important. I received my instructions from the Master himself and passed them on to you. The Master, Jesus, on the night of his betrayal, took bread. Having given thanks, he broke it and said, this is my body, broken for you. Do this to remember me. After supper, he did the same thing with the cup: This cup is my blood, my new covenant with you. Each time you drink this cup, remember me.

### **Jane**

What you must solemnly realize is that every time you eat this bread and every time you drink this cup, you re-enact in your words and actions the death of the Master. You will be drawn back to this meal again and again until the Master returns. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgement against themselves.

*People were encouraged into pairs/small groups*

### **Together**

Thank you, for this time when we can share together, unified with Him, As One, in the body and blood of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.