

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Pot Luck Fellowship & Yankee Swap:  
December 8th after services
- Men's Annual Budget Meeting:  
December 29th after services

## December Birthdays:

1st	Matthew Nick
2nd	Erik Grabowski
4th	Christine Williams
9th	Terry Schmidt
23rd	Blake Williams

## *Happy Anniversary:*

Terry & Betty Schmidt—December 6th

## *POINTS TO PONDER:*

*"Devotion to God always  
results in godly character."*

## Ladies Bread Ministry

December 8: Nancy C-J

## *SNACKS!*

December 1: Sandy

December 8: Amber

Numbers for 11/24/13

Attendance - 12  
Contribution - \$470.



God's Rx for Worrywarts:

***Worry about nothing;  
Pray about everything!***

- Philippians 4:6 -

## Order of Worship

*"You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory  
and honor and power; For You created all  
things, and by Your will they exist and were  
created." — Revelation 4:11*

Song Leader:

*Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer:

*George Nick*

Song

Scripture Reading:

*George Nick*

Song

The Lord's Supper:

*Wayne Sampson & Tony Grant*

Contribution

Song

Sermon:

*Nate Hios*

Song

Announcements:

*Nate Hios*

Closing Prayer:

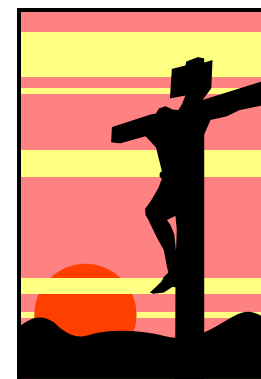
*Tony Grant*

Greeters: *George and/or Caren Nick*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Terry Kennedy*

## Southern Maine Church of Christ

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**December 1, 2013**

## **Sunday Assembly Times:**

9:30 am - Bible Classes for all ages  
10:30 am—Worship  
6:00—Bible Study

## **Wednesday Assembly:**

7:00 - Bible Study for all ages

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## Prayer Requests:

- Anthony - having surgery on December 20th
- John & Katherine (Terrill) Boone - mourning the loss of John's mother Dorothy Boone who passed away last Thursday morning
- Cambrie - 9 month old undergoing her 3rd heart surgery when doctors give OK
- Caren - that paperwork to go to South Africa in June is processed speedily
- Carrie (Sandy's daughter)- has auto-immune disease; having chemo-therapy treatments
- Chucky -requests prayers for strength in dealing with the loss of his mother
- Frances Dudley - inoperable tumor on her lung; now in hospice care
- Paul & Sandy and family - Paul is now at the River Ridge Center in Kennebunk and making good progress with his rehabilitation
- Sandy Gaqnon - right foot doing better
- Nancy Grant - experiencing shoulder pain
- Heather (friend of Vivian) - facing some rather challenging circumstances
- Terry Kennedy - prayers for continued healing from knee replacement surgery
- Kim Murray & family (friend of Amber) - 2 year old son Tripp has a very aggressive form of cancer; undergoing aggressive chemo
- Nick Family - prayers for strength
- Ariana (George & Caren's granddaughter) - prayers for serious health issues
- Nicholas & family (George's nephew) - twin son has a growth that needs to be removed
- Megan Perry (Ernie & Wealthie's granddaughter) - had a small stroke recently; also suffering with diabetes, neuropathy, and problems with addictions
- Philip (Terry & Betty's son) - experiencing difficulties & challenging circumstances
- Jan Sampson - prayers for her ankle to heal
- Teal & Mike - for a normal pregnancy; that the baby will be healthy in all respects
- Williams family - continued sickness
- Prayers for WBS students



## Are You at the End of Your Rope?

You've probably heard the saying, "If you're at the end of your rope, just tie a knot in it and hang on!" While there is a lot to be said for tenacity and perseverance, the fact of the matter is that, sooner or later, your exhaustible strength will fail you. And even the strongest person is bound to lose their grip and fall.

There is a story that's told of a soldier who fell off of a cliff in the dark. On his way down, he managed to grab hold of a rather fragile branch and was hanging on for dear life. A voice out of the darkness told him to let go. Having few alternatives, he did just that and fell a few feet to the safety of a rock ledge below. That's exactly what we need to do when we're at the end of our rope.

When our feeble strength has reached it's end, and we're hanging on to the fragile things of this life, our faith needs to move us to let go and put our trust in God. For it's only after we let go of those earthly things we so often place our trust in, that we can experience the safety and security of the Rock (Psalm 18:2). So, when you're at the end of your rope and you feel you're about to lose your grip . . . let go! And let the strength of God support you! (2 Corinthians 3:5; Ephesians 6:10).

— Terry Schmidt ✍



## THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

*Because of your generosity and hard work, we were able to help seven families enjoy a nice Thanksgiving meal this year. A special "thank you" is extended to all who contributed to this worthwhile effort. ☺*

## ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING



The men will be meeting on December 29th for the annual budget meeting. Anyone having input is asked to contact one of the men with your proposal or concerns.

## Pot Luck & Yankee Swap!

Time to go through your closet and find that perfect gift for the Yankee swap.



Hey, one person's trash is another's treasure! Wrap it up real pretty and be ready for some wholesome fun on Sunday, December 8th! ☺

## ☺ Welcome Visitors! ☺

We are glad you have come to worship with us today. We want you to know that you are welcome. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have questions or if we can help you in any way. Please fill out a visitor's card and sign our guest book before you depart. Have a great week!