

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

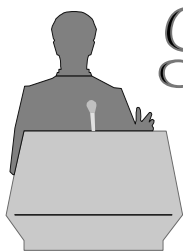
- Ladies Bible Class will be on Saturday, September 21 at 10:00 am at Amber William's. We will complete our study of Sarah.
- Men's Business Meeting: Next Sunday, September 22, after services.
- September Potluck will be on Sunday, September 29 instead of September 8.

## Birthdays:

9/14 – Kathy Rader  
9/15 – Alison Colvin  
9/28 – Bethany Boucher  
9/30 – Red Fraser

## POINTS TO PONDER:

Encouragement is the oxygen of the soul.



## Gospel Meeting

Sept 29 — Oct 2  
with Brent Newton

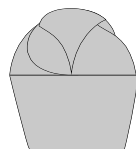
*Invite your family,  
friends and neighbors!*

## SNACKS?

September 15: Nancy C-J

September 22: Terrill

Ladies Bread  
Ministry  
September 22: Nancy C-J



## Order of Worship

*"Let us draw near with a true heart in  
full assurance of faith."*

- Hebrews 10:22 -

Song Leader:

*Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer:

*Tony Grant*

Song

Scripture Reading:

*George Nick*

Song

The Lord's Supper:

*Wayne Sampson & Paul Gagnon*

Contribution

Song

Sermon:

*Nate Hios*

Song

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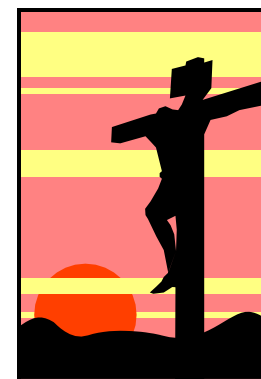
*Nate Hios*

Closing Prayer:

*Henry Terrill*

## Southern Maine Church of Christ

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Arundel, ME 04043



**September 15, 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:

- Carrie (Sandy's daughter)- diagnosed with an auto-immune disease
- Jody & family (Caren's nephew) - out of coma but they all need prayers
- Nick Family – prayers for strength
- Holly (Sandy's daughter) - health issues
- Becky McGarey: (Terry & Betty's daughter) - migraines & other health concerns; recently diagnosed with scoliosis
- Ariana (George & Caren's granddaughter) - continued prayers for her serious health issues
- Nancy (Shirley's step-mother) - recently suffered a stroke and was admitted to Southridge; pray for husband Bob too
- Red Fraser - having heart catheterization procedure on 9/17 to determine if open heart surgery is needed
- Prayers for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Prayers for WBS students
- Continued prayers for church growth
- Pray that our upcoming meeting with Brent Newton will go well
- Prayers for those not with us today due to travel or illness



## UPCOMING EVENTS

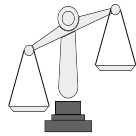
Men's Gander Brook Retreat  
Sept 19-21

SMCC Gospel Meeting w/ Brent Newton  
Sept 29 - Oct 2

Kittery Area wide Singing  
Oct 5

Kittery Gospel Meeting  
10/6 - 10/9

Kittery Ladies' Day — "Lost & Found"  
Nov 2 — 9:00-1:30



## Motive and Intent

Whenever a crime has been committed, careful consideration is given to the motive and intent of the lawbreaker before passing sentence. Was the crime done intentionally—or accidentally? Was it premeditated—or was it done in self-defense, or for self-preservation? The answers to these questions have an important bearing on the punishment the lawbreaker will receive.

God is interested in motive and intent also. In other words, He is interested not only in *what* we do, but in *why* we do it. Two people can be engaged in exactly the same activity with one pleasing God, and the other displeasing Him. Two good examples are (1) Cain and Abel bringing their offerings to the Lord (Genesis 4), and (2) the Pharisee and the tax collector praying to God (Luke 18:9-14).

God did not respect Cain and his offering because he was "of the wicked one" and did not love his brother (1 John 3:10-12). And even though he was worshiping God in prayer, because of his self-righteousness the Pharisee was not justified before God. And what makes the difference? Motive and intent.

When it comes to our worship & service to God, as well as our treatment of others, *what* we do is important. But *why* we do what we do is just as important. And if we're not doing what we do for the right reasons or proper motives, then what we do will profit us nothing (1 Corinthians 13:1-3). In whatever we do, our attitude will affect the consequences of the action and how it will be judged.

The Bible warns: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked!" (Galatians 6:7). Another version puts it this way: "No one makes a fool of God!" On the outside, we may appear to be doing what God wants us to do, but "motives are weighed by the Lord" (Proverbs 16:2), who knows everyone's heart" (Acts 1:24). Let us therefore give careful consideration to *why* we do what we do—because God does! — **Terry Schmidt** ✍



On September 5th  
Scott and Alison became  
the proud parents of

**Silas James**

weighing in at  
9 pounds, 2 ounces.

Congratulations to the Colvin family! ☺

## NEW ADDRESS

Blake & Amber Williams

37 Tall Pines Drive  
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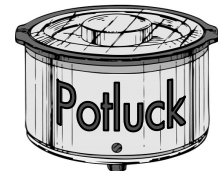


*Please make a note of the change  
in your directories.*



*"Prayer does not change  
God; it changes you!"*

Sunday, Sep 29th after  
services. Please make  
plans to stay for this  
special time of food, fun  
and fellowship!



☺ 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 sign our guest book before you depart. 📖

