

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Men's Business Meeting:** Today after services

March Birthdays:

6th – Michael Baldasaro
10th – Bob Cook
23rd – Sophia Colvin
30th – Amber Williams

Happy Anniversary:

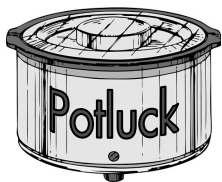
Tony & Nancy Grant — March 3rd
Henry & Carolyn Terrill — March 31st

Ladies Bread Ministry

March 9: Terry K.

SNACKS!

March 2: Shirley
March 9: Nancy



Next Sunday, March 9th after services. Please make plans to stay for this special time of food, fun & fellowship! ☺

UPCOMING EVENTS

Biddeford Ladies Day

Saturday, Mar 22 — 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Conway Ladies Weekend

April 4-6

For more info, please see bulletin board

Order of Worship

“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.” — Acts 2:42

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Tony Grant*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*
- Galatians 6:1-5; 17 -

Song

The Lord’s Supper:
Wayne Sampson & Terry Schmidt

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*
“The Three Bears”

Song

Announcements: *Terry Schmidt*

Closing Prayer: *George Nick*

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Greeter: *Terry and/or Betty Schmidt*

Lord’s Supper Prep: *Betty Schmidt*

## Southern Maine Church of Christ

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**March 2, 2014**

### Sunday Assembly Times:

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

### Wednesday Assembly:

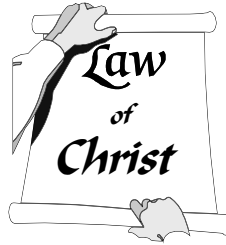
7:00 - Bible Study for all ages

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## Prayer Requests:

- Becky (Terry & Betty's daughter) - having surgery for endometriosis on 4/15; migraines
- John Bonner & the Sabattus church
- Larry Bosworth - mental confusion, in rehab
- Caren - planned trip to South Africa in June
- Caroline (Caren's sister) - planning a trip here in May; prayers requested for her safety
- Carrie - has auto-immune disease; chemo
- Bob Cook - in rehab at Pine Point; recovering from broken left shoulder; trouble breathing
- Paul & Sandy - After a difficult week, Paul is back at River Ridge & Sandy is back home. Paul's seizures were caused by scar tissue in the brain, common with the procedure he had. He is now on medication to prevent any future occurrences. Sandy will have cortisone shots in her hips to help ease her arthritis pain, and may consider hip joint replacement
- Tony - torn muscles in right shoulder require surgery & 3-6 months rehab; will know MRI results this Friday & will schedule surgery
- Nancy - still having pain in left shoulder
- Josh - 22 year old fighting a heroin addiction
- Kathleen Judkins - recovering from recent para-esophageal hiatal hernia surgery
- Richard Judkins - Parkinson's/Alzheimer's
- Kim Murray & family (friend of Amber) - 2 year old Tripp completing cancer treatments
- Nick Family - sickness; prayers for strength
- Ariana - complications from previous surgeries require daily shots
- Nicholas & family (George's nephew) - twin son's cancerous growth has decreased 50%
- Ernie Perry - respiratory related problems
- Jan Sampson - ankle & shoulder pain
- Teal & Mike - for a normal pregnancy; that the baby will be healthy in all respects
- Philip Schmidt - exp. difficulties & challenges
- Williams family - Anthony: surgery for cyst removal scheduled for March 21st
- Prayers for those not with us today



## The Law of Christ

In Galatians 6:2, the Apostle Paul says: "Bear one another's burdens, and so [or, in this way] fulfill the law of Christ. The law of Christ can be simply and generally understood as the teachings of Christ. And prominent in that teaching is the topic of love. Jesus identified the first and greatest of all commandments as, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. And the second, like it, is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:30-31).

Within the family of God, Jesus *commands* us to love one another (John 16:17). And we are to love one another *as He has loved us* (John 16:12). And how was that? He loved us so much that He gave His life for us (John 10:11; 15:13). As the Apostle John observes: "By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren" (1 John 3:16).

There may be a time when we will be tested to the extreme of laying down our lives for the brethren. But, in most instances, bearing one another's burdens requires something much less demanding—a phone call expressing care & concern, a note or card of encouragement, a personal visit, simply listening as a brother or sister shares their burden, praying together, offering to help in some way. Life is lived mostly in the ordinary and is made up of "little things." And these little things matter!

In Galatians 5:13, Paul exhorts: "Through love serve one another." It is our love for one another in the body of Christ that motivates us to serve one another. And it is through this loving service that we bear one another's burdens. And it is in bearing one another's burdens that we fulfill the law of Christ. — **Terry Schmidt** ✍



## POINTS TO PONDER:

Encouragement is the kind of expression that helps someone want to be a better Christian, even when life is rough.



*Much time spent with God is the secret of all successful praying. Our short prayers owe their point and efficiency to the long ones that have preceded them. -- E.M. Bounds*

Numbers for 2/23/14

Attendance - 20

Contribution - \$585.

☺ 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!

