

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

## May Birthdays:

9th – Arilyn Nick  
12th – Tony Grant  
15th – Anthony Williams  
16th – Betty Schmidt  
23rd – Hunter Wells

## Happy Anniversary:

Rodney & Shirley — April 28th  
Blake & Amber — May 13th

## Ladies Bread Ministry

May 4: Terry Kennedy

## SNACKS!

April 27: Nancy



*"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." — 1 Thess 5:11*

## ~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

### New England Lectureship

"Back to Bible Basics"

May 2-4 — Taunton, MA

### NE Men's Retreat in Kent, CT

"Dynamic Servants of Christ's Church"

June 13 & 14

Please see bulletin board for more details

## Order of Worship

*"I will praise the name of God with a song,  
and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."*

- Psalms 69:30 -

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *George Nick*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*

- 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 -

Song

The Lord's Supper:

*Tony Grant & Wayne Sampson*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*

"The Christian's Rights"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

*Wayne Sampson*

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Greeter: *Tony and/or Nancy Grant*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Jan Sampson*

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**April 27, 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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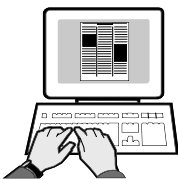
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## Prayer Requests:

- Becky (Terry & Betty's daughter) - migraines
- Blake & Amber and family - Blake: shoulder pain; Amber: migraines; Anthony: surgery for cyst & infection performed 4/26
- Bob - now at River Ridge for rehab to gain strength; also COPD and shoulder pain
- Carrie - has auto-immune disease; chemo
- Ernie - various health issues; COPD
- Mary (Kathy's mom) - severe lower back pain
- Paul & Sandy - Paul at River Ridge doing well & making steady progress. Sandy at MMC for surgery to remove spreading *Strep* infection; pray for hip replacement surgery once the infection is gone
- Philip - prayers for solid employment
- Priscilla (Kathy's friend) - stomach cancer
- Raymonde Georgeff - suffering with cancer
- Sue - had successful cataract surgery on right eye 4/16; left eye being done on 5/15
- Teal & Mike - for a normal pregnancy; that the baby will be healthy in all respects
- Tony - surgery on right shoulder successful; now in PT and making good progress
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today

**Note:** Items not regularly updated will be removed at the end of each month. Thank you.



**BULLETIN ITEMS:** If you have a prayer request or an announcement for the bulletin, please contact Terry Schmidt at 284-9191 or e-mail at [tls654b@gwi.net](mailto:tls654b@gwi.net) Thank you!

Numbers for 4/20/14

Attendance - 23  
Contribution - \$491.



What Pleases the Lord . . .  
May Not Always Please Us

Ephesians 5:10 instructs us to "find out what pleases the Lord." One place in Scripture where we are specifically told what pleases the Lord is in 1 Peter 2:19-20: "For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God." Some versions translate "is commendable before God" as "pleases God," or "God is pleased."

Why is God pleased when we have to suffer unjustly and endure pain for doing good? Because, "to this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly" (1 Pet 2:21-23).

When we are caused to suffer for doing good God is pleased, not because we are suffering, but because we endure it with a meek and gentle spirit, patiently and obediently, just as Christ our example did. God is pleased when we, in faithful obedience, yield to His will in these types of difficult circumstances. This kind of humble submission exalts Christ, glorifies God and sends a powerful, convicting message to those of the world.

While it is never pleasant, patiently bearing up under the pain of unjust suffering pleases God. This is why Peter encourages us to "rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed."

If you are insulted because of the name of Christ, you are blessed, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests on you. If you suffer, it should not be as a murderer or thief or any other kind of criminal, or even as a meddler. However, if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name!" (1 Peter 4:13-16).

— Terry Schmidt ✍



## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS FOR MAY

Opening Prayer:  
Wayne Sampson  
Scripture Reading:  
George Nick

The Lord's Supper:

George Nick & Wayne Sampson

Closing Prayer: Tony Grant

Greeter: Nate and/or Rebecca Hios

Lord's Supper Prep: Terry Kennedy

## Evolution Croaks

Fossils of ancient frogs show that frogs have always resembled frogs. One of the many problems evolutionists face is that many modern animals are very much like their ancient fossil counterparts, with no apparent change over the imagined millions of years of progressive evolution.



## ☺ 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!

