

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Pot Luck Fellowship: TODAY!

February Birthdays:

9th – Ryan Mackey
13th – Chuck Shaffer
18th – Teal Baldasaro

POINTS TO PONDER:

As you walk the tightrope of life, the pole that adds balance to your steps is a well-developed sense of humor. ☺

Ladies Bread Ministry

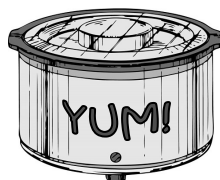
February 9: Shirley

SNACKS!

February : Jan
February 16: Betty

Pot Luck Fellowship

Today after services.
There's plenty for all.
Please stay for this
special time of food,
fun and fellowship!



“Thy word is truth.”
Jesus—John 17:17

*“Man is never so tall as when
he kneels before God.”*
- Louis H. Evans -



Order of Worship

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.” — Colossians 3:16

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Wayne Sampson*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*
Colossians 2:1-5

Song

The Lord's Supper:
George Nick & Wayne Sampson

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*
“Christ, the Center of Your Life”

Song

Announcements: *Terry Schmidt*

Closing Prayer: *Tony Grant*

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Greeter: *Blake and/or Amber Williams*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Jan Sampson*

## Southern Maine Church of Christ

1228 Portland Road (Rt. 1)  
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**February 9, 2014**

### Sunday Assembly Times:

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

### Wednesday Assembly:

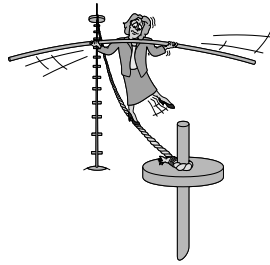
7:00 - Bible Study for all ages

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## Prayer Requests:

- Becky (Terry & Betty's daughter) - migraines
- John Bonner & the Sabattus church
- Larry Bosworth - rehabilitating from "brain bleed" & other injuries sustained in a fall
- 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
- Mrs. Cleary (Wayne & Jan's neighbor) - undetermined ongoing sickness & health concerns
- Bob Cook - at SMHC with heart & breathing issues; recovering from broken left shoulder
- Paul & Sandy and family - making steady progress with Paul's rehabilitation
- Sandy Gaanon - no infections in either foot!
- Josh - 22 year old fighting a heroin addiction
- Kathleen Judkins - at SMHC in SCU recovering from para-esophageal hiatal hernia surgery
- Richard Judkins - Parkinson's disease
- Terry Kennedy - healing of knee replacement
- Bill Mancini (Paul's room mate) - prayers for patience during difficult rehabilitation
- Kim Murray & family (friend of Amber) - 2 year old Tripp completing cancer treatments
- Joanne Neithercut (friend of Terry K) - recovering well from recent hip replacement
- Nick Family - sickness; prayers for strength
- Ariana - struggling with complications from her surgery; needs shots on a daily basis
- 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: tubes removed last week; next appt will be 2/24 to schedule next surgery for cyst removal
- Karlee Wells - recovering from pneumonia
- Prayers for those not with us today



## BALANCE

Whether it's the wheels on your car, a propeller on a boat, or a rotor on a helicopter, when things get out of balance the ride is going to get rough and there will be problems. A lot of damage to equipment and its various components can result if the problem is not addressed quickly. Life is the same way. When things get out of balance in our lives, the ride is going to get rough and there will be problems.

To keep his balance, a tight-rope walker holds a balance-beam at the center of his body. In order for a Christian to maintain his *spiritual* balance, Christ must be kept at the center of his life. However, when we are at the center of our lives, everything revolves around *us*, and things usually do not go well. That's because you and I are not healthy centers for our lives. Selfishness and self-centeredness will inevitably bring forth the works of the flesh. But when Christ is at the center of our lives and on the throne of our hearts, we will consistently yield the fruit of the spirit in our lives (Gal 5:16-26).

Focusing on Christ and keeping Him at the center of our lives provides us with a solid foundation, spiritual stability and a healthy balance. Because in Christ "are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col 2:3), we have access to that which enables us to handle life God's way. When this happens, God is glorified (1 Cor 10:31), and we are blessed (Luke 11:28). How can I be sure that I have Christ at the center of my life? One who has Christ at the center will be *Christ-like* in what he thinks, says and does. As the Scripture says: "Whoever claims to live in Him must walk as Jesus did" (1 John 2:6). In other words, the life of one who professes to live for God must bear the stamp of Christ.

— Terry Schmidt ✍



**Encouragement** is really just a matter of time...the time it takes to be kind; the time it takes just to listen and talk; to help someone find peace of mind; the time it takes to do a thoughtful and generous favor that wasn't expected of you; the time that it takes just to answer a letter or return a phone call, to let someone know you're there for them. Encouragement is really just a matter of time...the time that you take when you care.

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**"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"**

**- Acts 16:30 -**

**Hear the Gospel** - John 6:44-45; Rom 10:14,17

**Believe** [trust in] God - John 3:16; 8:24; Ac 16:31  
Heb 11:6

**Repent** of sins - Luke 13:1-5; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 17:30

**Confess** Christ - Mt 10:32-33; Ac 8:36-37;  
Rom 10:8-10

**Be baptized** - Mk 16:16; Ac 2:38; 8:36; 22:16;  
1 Pet 3:21

**Be faithful** unto death - Mt 7:21; 10:22; Heb 5:9;  
Rev 2:10

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**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! ☺

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☺ **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!

