



Ladies' Corner

Ladies Bible Class: Will be held during the men's business meeting today. We will be studying Miriam. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Nursing Home: Our next Nursing Home visit will be Thursday, July 10 at 9:30 am. All ladies are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

July Birthdays:

13th – Karolyn Terrill

29th – Shirley Boucher

SNACKS!

July 6: Karolyn

July 13: Terry K

Ladies Bread Ministry

July 13: Jan

"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

"Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." — Acts 4:12

Order of Worship

July 6, 2014

"Salvation to our God who sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb." And all...fell before the throne on their faces, and worshiped God, Saying, "Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honor, and power, and might, be unto our God forever and ever. Amen."

- Revelation 7:10-12 -

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *George Nick*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*

- Colossians 2:16-23 -

Song

The Lord's Supper:

Henry Terrill & Wayne Sampson

- 1 Corinthians 11:23-29 -

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*

"Don't Let Anyone Destroy Your Faith"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Tony Grant

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Greeter: *Henry and/or Karolyn Terrill*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Betty Schmidt*

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**July 6, 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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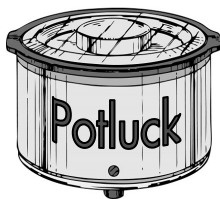
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## Prayer Requests:

- Caren: suffering w/ chronic fatigue syndrome
- Nate: suffering with severe allergies; asthma
- Paul & Sandy - Paul at River Ridge doing well & making steady progress. Sandy had surgery recently to replace the cement spacer in her hip and open & drain a fluid pocket so it can heal; no infection was found; please pray for hip-joint replacement surgery once doctors give the OK
- Terry Kennedy - has resumed PT for her knee; prayers for better movement and less pain
- Wealthie - recently suffered an angina attack
- 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.



Our potluck fellowship will be July 13th after services. Please make plans to stay for this special time of food, fun & fellowship! ☺



## POINTS TO PONDER:

"In proportion to the size of the vessel of faith, brought by us to the Lord, is the measure we draw out of His overflowing grace."

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Numbers for 6/29/14

Attendance - 25

Contribution - \$512.40



## Trinkets or Treasures?

When they chose to listen to Satan rather than God, Adam and Eve essentially gave up paradise for a fleeting sensation of empowerment and a momentary taste of the forbidden (Gen 3). In selling his birthright, Esau chose instant gratification (the immediate, the temporary) over that which is valuable, meaningful and lasting (Gen 25:29-34; Heb 12:16-17). Jesus puts all this into perspective when he asks: "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matt 16:26).

While it may defy all logic and common sense, the temptation to choose cheap, transient trinkets over priceless, eternal heavenly treasures is all too real. In addition, these temporary substitutes are often unholy and unfulfilling—making the practice even more illogical and irrational. Moses seems to have understood the true nature of these counterfeits.

"By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season" (Heb 11:24-25). Yes, sin is often pleasurable. But, as Moses knew, the pleasures of sin are short-lived and do not satisfy the deep needs of the soul.

When any given sin dominates our thoughts and dictates our actions, an idol has been set up in our hearts. An idol can be simply and generally defined as anything that takes God's place in our hearts. When this happens, we need to realize that "Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs" (Jonah 2:8 NIV-1984). Again, we are reminded of Jesus' words: "What shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Is it worth it?

It is here that the words of the gospel song "Kneel at the Cross" offer some wisdom: "Kneel at the cross, give your idols up, look unto realms above! Turn not again to life's sparkling cup; trust always in His love!"

— Terry Schmidt ✍



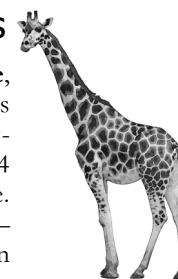
## NEW PHONE NUMBER

Amber's number has been changed:

**207-730-1532**

Please make a note of this in your directory. Thank you!

## God's Creative Genius



The height of an 18-foot giraffe, the tallest of all land animals, is quite daunting. The clumsy-looking giraffe's ability to run 34 miles per hour is very impressive. Its minimal sleep requirements—only about 30 minutes a day, often broken up into several short naps—and its ability to go weeks without drinking is remarkable. Its 18-inch, prehensile tongue, eight-foot-long tail, and six-foot-tall newborns are all very striking. Most remarkable, however, is the design of the giraffe's circulatory system. The giraffe must have an enormous heart that can pump blood extremely hard against gravity. The giraffe is equipped with a two-foot-long, 20-plus-pound, thick-walled heart that is large enough and strong enough to pump blood eight feet high—creating blood pressure that is about twice that of any other large mammal, and as much as three times that of the average person. Intricate valves in its jugular veins that help control how much blood gets to the brain during those times when a giraffe has its head lowered. Truly, the amazingly intricate design of the giraffe's circulatory system, as well as the rest of its anatomy and physiology, demand a better explanation than the random, chance processes of evolution. The fact is, the giraffe is brilliantly designed—a wonder of God's creation.