



## Ladies' Corner

**Nursing Home:** Our next Nursing Home visit will be Thurs, August 14 at 9:30 am. All ladies are welcome.

**Getting together:** We will be meeting at the building at 11 am on Saturday, August 16 to continue what we started. Bring a bag lunch.

**Ladies Bible Class:** will be Sunday, September 7 during the men's business meeting. We will be studying Rebekah.

*Your beauty should come from the inside. It should come from the heart. This is the kind that lasts. Your beauty should be a gentle and quiet spirit. In God's sight this is of great worth and no amount of money can buy it. — 1 Peter 3:4*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Pot Luck Fellowship:** Today
- **Next Men's Business Meeting:** Sunday, Sept. 7th, after services
- **Special Thanks:** To all who provided boxes and helped to pack items in preparation for our move

## Birthdays:

13th - Janice Grabowski  
14th - Robert (Susana's husband)  
14th - Wayne Sampson

## Happy Anniversary:

Mike & Teal — 20th

## SNACKS!

August 10: Shirley  
August 17: Nancy

## Ladies Bread Ministry

August 10: Betty

# Order of Worship

August 10, 2014

*"Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant and praise is beautiful."*

- Psalm 147:1 -

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Wayne Sampson*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*  
~ Hebrews 12:1-2 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:  
*Tony Grant & Henry Terrill*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
"The Christian Race"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Henry Terrill*

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Greeter: *Terry and/or Betty Schmidt*

Lord's Supper Prep: *Terry Kennedy*

# Southern Maine Church of Christ

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**August 10, 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:

- Anthony (Paula's Dad) - has Sarcoma bone cancer
- Paul & Sandy - Paul at River Ridge doing well & making steady progress. Sandy is progressing well; 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
- Priscilla (Kathy's friend) - stage four stomach cancer
- 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.

## ~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

### Gander Brook "Family of Faith" Encampment 2014

August 29 — September 1

### Gander Brook Ladies' Retreat

September 11-13

### Gander Brook Men's Retreat

September 18-20

### Gospel Meeting w/ Brent Newton

"Questions for the Soul"  
September 21-24



## POINTS TO PONDER:

Even after a fall, continue to run each day's race with all your might, so that at the end you will receive the victory wreath from God.

Numbers for 8/3/14

Attendance - 27  
Contribution - \$573.



## A Very "Special" Special Olympics

Back in the '90's when I was driving school bus I had the privilege of transporting a group of kids to Bates College in Lewiston for the Special Olympics. I must confess, I did not know much about this event, but I was about to learn.

During one of the relay races, a runner fell down. It was apparent to the spectators that he was not seriously injured—just bruised a bit. To our amazement, all the other runners stopped and ran over to him to make sure he was OK. What a powerful example! Even before the race was finally completed, those in the audience knew that all these kids were winners.

Running a race is certainly about winning, but it involves so much more. How we run the race is equally important. While we'd all like to come in first and win, running the race in an honorable fashion and finishing with dignity are even more significant. The manner in which these runners conducted themselves that day made an already special event even more special.

These special kids put the Golden Rule into personal practice: "*So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you*" (Matthew 7:12). They did not respond out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility considered others better than themselves. They looked not only on their own interests, but also to the interests of others (Philippians 2:3-4). In short, they had instinctively fulfilled the Lord's command: "*Love your neighbor as you love yourself*" (Matthew 22:39; Mark 12:31; Luke 10:27).

That day in a college gymnasium, those kids taught us, not only a valuable lesson in sportsmanship and fair-play, but one of human kindness, caring, compassion and concern. May God use you and me in similar ways to influence others for Christ as we run our race.

— Terry Schmidt ✍

## "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

## Running the Christian Race

Christians can benefit greatly from fellowship with other believers. Training alone can be discouraging, and top-level runners know that training alongside others can be an excellent way to push oneself to break personal barriers and achieve performance goals. Hebrews 10:25 warns believers not to stop meeting together, but to encourage each other. First Thessalonians 5:11 carries a similar message: encourage one another, and build up one another. Acts 2:42-47 gives an account of first century Christians living together in community, selling all their possessions for the good of the group, and meeting together every day to pray and study Jesus' teachings. While this type of Christian community may be rare in modern times, it serves as an example of the belief that Christians are meant to learn, grow, and run their race together. -- Dave Ingram

## ☺ 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!