

Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another" — James 5:16

- Bethany Boucher - recovering from injuries sustained from being hit by a car while on her bicycle; undergoing extensive dental work
- Alix Brucker (Janice's 14 year old nephew) - drug addiction and a bad environment
- Diane Cote - dealing with chronic pain
- Paul & Sandy Gagnon - health concerns
- Jean Gortot - suffering with advanced cancer
- Janice Grabowski - looking for a better job
- David Murphy (Sandy's brother) - inoperable prostate cancer; also suffers with diabetes
- Lyndon Myers (Susana's oldest son) - recently diagnosed with prostate cancer; awaiting test results as to the aggressiveness of the tumor which will determine the type of treatment or surgery he will undergo
- George & Caren Nick - family struggles
- Ernie Perry - complications from COPD issues; shoulder pain; surgery scheduled on Nov 17th for right shoulder ; left to follow after
- Wealthie Perry - poor blood circulation in both legs is currently being evaluated by MD; CAT scan scheduled for Nov 7th
- Jan Sampson - making good progress with PT after hip-replacement surgery last month
- Karlee Wells - dealing with chronic pain; experiencing severe vertigo due to post concussive syndrome from injuries last school year
- Amber Williams - suffered a slipped disc in her back; currently undergoing PT
- Peter Wolenty (Sandy's brother-in law) - has been diagnosed with colon cancer; waiting on final results of the Pathology reports and decisions on treatment. Please pray for his wife Evelyn (Sandy's sister), their daughter Janice, and the doctors attending him.

"Pray without ceasing" — 1 Thess 5:17

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

Decision & Resolve

Shortly before his death, God's faithful servant Joshua challenged Israel with these familiar words, "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve" (Joshua 24:15). This is a choice we all need to make. Unless a firm and fixed decision is made to faithfully serve the Lord, it will not happen. If we do not completely agree and fully accept the fact that God's will and ways are right and best for us, our service to God will be half-hearted (Col 3:23) and our Christianity will be lukewarm (Rev 3:15-16; 19).

Joshua proclaimed, "But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." Joshua had made his decision. Motivated by love and reverence for the Almighty, he firmly resolved to faithfully serve Jehovah God. We too need this kind of resolve—"to make a definite and serious decision; to settle the matter" (*Webster*). We need to settle once and for all whether we will faithfully serve and worship God and our Lord Jesus Christ, or whether we will serve our idols (anything that takes the place of God in our hearts).

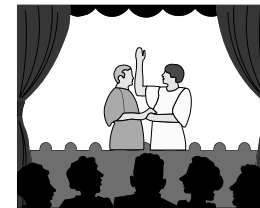
"Now therefore, fear the Lord, serve Him with sincerity and in truth, and put away" [your idols] (Joshua 24:14). Joshua challenges Israel to repent and renounce their false gods. If they are to faithfully serve the Lord, they need to give their idols up completely and have absolutely nothing to do with them. "Now therefore, put away the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your heart to the Lord God of Israel" (v. 23).

Joshua's sound and sobering words evidently penetrated the minds of those present and deeply touched their hearts. They responded, "We will also serve the Lord, for He is our God" (v. 18). Realizing that these words are easy to say but difficult to practice, Joshua stressed that this commitment should not be made lightly, but should be considered carefully and deliberately. Again, they responded, "No, but we will serve the Lord" (v. 21). May our sincere and dedicated response be the same.

— Terry Schmidt ✍

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Men's Business Meeting:** Today, after services
- **Congregational Meeting:** for the election of church officers (required by the state) will be held next Sunday, Nov. 8th right after services
- **Pot Luck Fellowship:** Next Sunday, after the congregational meeting



Baptized into Christ

We rejoice with the angels in heaven (Luke 15:7 & 10) over the baptisms of:

😊 **Jason & Paula Kennedy** 😊

whose names are now written in the Book of Life! (Lk 10:20; Phil 4:3; Rev 21:27). If you haven't done so already, please be sure to congratulate them on making this all-important decision and welcome our new brother & sister in Christ into the family of God! We are so proud and happy for you!

"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me." - Galatians 2:20

😊 **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!





Ladies' Corner

Nursing Home: Our next visit to the nursing home will be Wednesday, November 18th. We meet there at 9:30 am. The residents are very encouraged by our visits.

November Birthdays



7th – Henry Terrill

9th – Christopher Boucher

21st – Sandy Gagnon

26th – Rebecca Hios



Happy Anniversary:

Ernie & Wealthie Perry — 4th

George & Caren Nick — 9th

SNACKS!

Nov. 1: Sandy

Nov. 8: Janice

**New
Member!**

It is our pleasure to announce that **Carrie Lamarche** desires to place

membership here. We are pleased to have her worship with us and warmly welcome her to our spiritual family! ☺

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Numbers for 10/25/15

Attendance - 25

Contribution - \$496.

Order of Worship

November 1, 2015

"O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms."

~ Psalm 95:1-2 ~

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Erik Grabowski*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*

~ Joshua 23 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:

Terry Schmidt & Paul Cote

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*

"A Call for Decision & Commitment"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Wayne Sampson

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Terry Kennedy*

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*We love Him, because  
He first loved us.  
- 1 John 4:19 -*

**November 1, 2015**

### Sunday Assembly Times:

9:30 am — Bible Class

10:30 am — Worship

6:00 — Bible Study

### Wednesday Assembly:

7:00 — Bible Study

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