

## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"* — James 5:16

- Bob Cook - overall health concerns
- Diane Cote - dealing with chronic pain due to suffering with diabetes; fibromyalgia; tendonitis and neuropathy
- LuAnn Harris (sister in Christ & friend of Terry & Betty) - had her hysterectomy last week; all cancer was confined to the uterus
- Richard & Kathy Judkins - struggling with serious health issues
- George & Caren Nick - family struggles; Caren is now visiting family in South Africa
- Ernie & Wealthie Perry - health concerns
- Don Pfeiffer (husband of Terry Kennedy's close friend) - non-invasive bladder cancer
- Lesley Hamblin (Rebecca's friend) - grieving the loss of her husband Tim; please pray that a Bible study with her will come to pass
- Jan Sampson - chronic & severe hip pain
- Wayne Sampson - right knee replacement surgery was successful; doing well with PT
- Ron Sanborn (Terry K's dear friend from the Church of Christ in Conway) - throat cancer; will begin chemo & radiation therapy soon
- Sandra Schmidt (Terry & Betty's daughter in law) - in USAF deployed to the Middle East
- Tatiana (Rebecca's friend) - grieving the loss of a high school friend who died in a crash as a result of her heroin use
- Karolyn Terrill - scheduled to have additional medical tests in July
- Karlee Wells - dealing with chronic pain; requests prayers for physical concerns and work issues; struggling in many areas
- Amber Williams - suffered a slipped disc in her back recently; very painful
- Debbie Woodley - suffered a stroke in Feb and is in rehab; still has serious issues
- Please pray for those not with us today

*"Pray without ceasing"* — 1 Thess 5:17



## Independence Day

Independence Day is a national holiday commemorating the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776.

The thirteen original American colonies boldly declared their independence from England, citing many grievances against the unjust rule of King George III. After years of war, and the loss of many lives, independence was finally won with the signing of the Treaty of Paris on September 3, 1783.

While this declaration of independence occurred 239 years ago and had good results, man has been boldly declaring his independence from God almost since the beginning of time—with disastrous results. The Bible reveals that rebellion against God serves only to increase man's wickedness while the inclinations of his heart become continually evil (Genesis 6:5).

*"Furthermore, since they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, he gave them over to a depraved [corrupt, immoral, wicked] mind, to do what ought not to be done. They have become filled with every kind of wickedness... (Romans 1:28-29).*

Attempting to operate independently from his Creator, man becomes self-willed, self-absorbed, and will ultimately self-destruct. In other words, we need God!

And, although *"all have turned away"* from God (Romans 3:12), and *"all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"* (Romans 3:23), our loving Father responds and *"demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us"* (Romans 5:8).

*"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord"* (Romans 6:23). *"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"* (2 Corinthians 9:15).

— 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



On Independence Day we are reminded of all those who have sacrificed for our freedom, following the example of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Let us not take our freedom, both physical and

spiritual, for granted. May we always remember that our freedom was purchased with a very high price. Our freedom cost others their very lives. May the Lord bless the families of those who have given their lives for our freedom and those who continue to serve—with favor and bounty to meet their needs. And help us to live our lives in a way that glorifies our Lord. Give us the wisdom & strength to be a blessing in someone else's life today. Finally, may God grant us the opportunity to lead others into the freedom that can be found only in knowing Christ.—*copied*

😊 **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, July 15th. We meet there at 9:30 am. The residents are very encouraged by our visits.



## July Birthday

Karolyn Terrill - 13th  
Diane Cote - 24th  
Shirley Boucher - 29th



## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Men's Business Meeting: Today
- Congregational Cookout: July 12

# SNACKS!

July 5: Shirley  
July 12: Diane

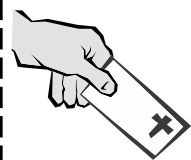
## CHURCH COOKOUT



Our next potluck fellowship will be a barbeque at Susana & Bob's on **Sunday, July 12**. Bob will have the grill fired-up and ready-to-go so bring a meat, salad, (or dessert) and drink. Also, please bring your own chair.



*If all in this church were just like me, what kind of church would this church be?*



Numbers for 6/28/15

Attendance - 20  
Contribution - N/A

# Order of Worship

July 5, 2015

*"By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name."*

~ Hebrews 13:15 ~

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Paul Cote*

Song

Scripture Reading: *George Nick*  
~ Proverbs 1:29-32 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:  
*George Nick & Henry Terrill*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
"Man's Declaration of Independence"

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 -*

**July 5, 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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