

Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another" — James 5:16

- Diane Cote - diagnosed with kidney disease
- John Donofrio (Betty's brother) - much of his ulcerated large intestine was removed; please pray for restoration of his health
- Paul & Sandy Gagnon - Paul: at River Ridge; Sandy: now home from Seal Rock ; making necessary adjustments and doing well
- Jean Gortot - suffering with advanced cancer
- Erik & Janice Grabowski - "please pray that the Lord would open doors for us to have a child"
- Susana Kazel & family - mourning the loss of their loved one
- Mary (Paula's mom) - inoperative cancerous tumor in liver still growing; in palliative care
- David Murphy (Sandy's brother) - inoperable prostate cancer
- George & Caren Nick - ongoing family struggles
- Ernie Perry - rotator cuff surgery on left shoulder was successful; now home recuperating ; also dealing with COPD issues
- Wealthie Perry - various health concerns
- Don Pfeiffer - bladder cancer has returned
- Kathy Rader - has a lot to deal with right now and requests our prayers
- Robert (Shirley's Dad) - back at MMC with more fluid around his lungs and fluid retention elsewhere; his blood pressure and heart condition are being constantly monitored; please pray for his physical & emotional health
- Karlee Wells - new program at work will provide greater opportunities & better working conditions; dealing with severe migraines, chronic pain & other health issues
- Blake Williams - personal & family struggles
- Peter Wolenty (Sandy's brother-in law) - was brought back to the hospital with fluid in the lungs, along with swollen legs and ankles
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)

"Pray without ceasing." - 1 Thess 5:17

Sacrificial Giving

Few of us would argue that our society influences our thinking far more than we would care to admit. Take the subject of giving, for example. Most of us are willing to give if what we are giving is coming from our surplus. In other words, we won't miss it. The rich mentioned in Luke 21:1-4 fall into this category. Jesus seems to be saying that their gifts weren't worth much because they were giving out of their abundance.

On the other hand, the poor widow's gift — just two small coins — was a real sacrifice. She gave all that she had and was commended by the Lord for it. We are usually ready to give if what we are giving is of no use to us or hasn't cost us anything. Like the recycled Christmas gifts and birthday presents we didn't want or need in the first place. This is what God's people were condemned for in Malachi 1:6-14. They were offering to God blemished sacrifices; crippled and diseased animals that were of no use to them anyway.

But David in 2 Samuel 24:24 shows us the proper attitude in giving: "I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God that which has cost me nothing." We are typically willing to give if we feel that we will be getting something back in return. This is the "What's in it for me?" approach. I'll give so long as I can be assured that I'll get some kind of return on my investment. But Jesus says in Luke 6:34-35, "If you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners' expecting to be repaid in full. But...lend, without expecting anything back. Then your reward will be great."

Perhaps most of us could use an "attitude adjustment" in the area of giving. We need to learn how to give sacrificially. To give even when it's inconvenient and even painful for us. And It's not just about money. It's about the giving of our time, talents, energy, and material goods as well. It's about becoming more like our Lord Jesus Christ who set for us the perfect example of sacrificial giving. He gave His life for sinners like you and me. — **Terry Schmidt** ✍



Our Deepest Sympathy

*Our sincerest condolences are extended to **Susana and family** as they mourn the passing of Susana's son-in-law John Moseley. John & Carm have visited with us a number of times during the past few years. His death was due to a heart-attack and was totally unexpected. May God's steadfast presence and tender compassion provide strength and comfort to these dear ones during this difficult time of grief and loss.*

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

SMCC Gospel Meeting

with Brent Newton

August 28—31

"Serving the Son, or Serving Sin?"




NEW PHONE NUMBER

Please note that Terry Kennedy's home number (284-7306) is no longer in use. She can now be reached on her cell phone at **502-5675**. Please make a note of this change in your directory. ☺

☺ 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: The next nursing home visit will be Tuesday, July 19th, 2016 at 9:30 am.

Ladies Movie Night: Did you mark your calendars, ladies? The next movie night will be Saturday, July 23 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Terry Kennedy's.



July Birthdays



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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Potluck Fellowship:** Today, after services

SNACKS!

July 10: Betty
July 17: Shirley

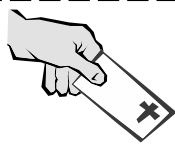
Ladies Bread Ministry

July 10: Jan
July 17: Nancy



Happy Birthday!

**The Southern Maine church of Christ
Is 10 Years Old!**



Numbers for 7/3/16
Attendance - 16
Contribution - \$477.

Order of Worship

July 10, 2016

*“Give unto the LORD the glory due unto
his name; worship the LORD in the
beauty of holiness.”*

- Psalm 29:2 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Erik Grabowski*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Seth Willey*
~ 2 Corinthians 9:1-7 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:
Wayne Sampson & Jason Kennedy

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*
“Biblical Principles on Giving”

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
George Nick

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Jan Sampson*

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

**July 10, 2016**

## 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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