

## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"* — James 5:16

- Diane Cote - dealing with chronic pain
- John Donofrio (Betty's brother) - hospitalized w/ dehydration, colitis, UTI, high sodium levels, malfunctioning kidneys and possible heart problems; is also bipolar; prayers needed for restoration of his health
- Paul & Sandy Gagnon - various health concerns; Paul: doing reasonably well at present Sandy: dealing with ongoing lymphodema
- Jean Gortot - suffering with advanced cancer
- Erik Grabowski - requests prayers to find a new job; one that will be a good fit and pay the bills
- Janice Grabowski - suffering from vertigo
- Mary (Paula's mom) - undergoing one more infusion treatment on 2/18 with hopes of shrinking or dissolving the tumor in her liver
- David Murphy (Sandy's brother) - inoperable prostate cancer; a cancerous tumor recently found in his nose; also suffers with diabetes
- Lyndon Myers (Susana's son) - non-aggressive strain of prostate cancer; surgery in March
- George & Caren Nick - "Prayers of thanks that we're finally on the mend and also that our family will love the Lord with our entire beings and honor Him with all our resources."
- Ernie Perry - right shoulder is healing well; now undergoing PT; also has COPD issues
- Wealthie Perry - various health concerns
- Don Pfeiffer - bladder cancer has returned
- Rebecca Hios' colleague (name undisclosed) - struggling with Lyme disease and anxiety
- Karlee Wells - requests prayers regarding an opportunity for a better position at work
- Blake Williams - personal & family struggles
- Peter Wolenty (Sandy's brother-in law) - has been diagnosed with colon cancer; no obvious cancer in the 6 biopsies performed on 1/29; praise God for answered prayers!

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

## The Beatitudes

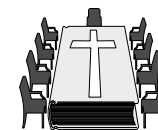
While the word beatitude does not appear in the text of our English Bibles, the concept is clearly taught. The word comes from the Latin *beatus* meaning blessed, happy or fortunate. A beatitude then, or *beatitududo*, expresses a state of blessedness. "It is a declaration of blessedness, especially as made by Christ" (Zondervan Bible Dictionary). Specifically, this blessedness, or beatitude, can be understood as the condition or status of being in God's favor.

The spiritual attributes expressed by Jesus in the beatitudes should not be understood as being distinct identities to be divided and categorized separately. That is, it is not about one person who is "poor in spirit" and then another who is "meek", etc. Rather, the beatitudes are spiritual qualities which are to be taken together as the whole of Christian character, with each trait being a different aspect of that character.

These spiritual qualities, conditions and responses are in continuous conflict with the world and in direct opposition to its ways. The temptation is to succumb to the prevailing ungodly forces in order to gain relief from the spiritual struggle and be accepted by the world. However, faithful adherence to the godly principles outlined in the beatitudes brings definite rewards and spiritual blessings from God.

These beautifully expressed concrete assurances from our Lord Jesus Christ have been a source of strength and encouragement to Christians throughout the centuries. They instill confidence, arouse motivation and inspire enthusiasm to serve God faithfully, even in the face of ongoing suffering and persecution. — Terry Schmidt ✍

Men's Business Meeting  
and Budget Planning



**TODAY AFTER SERVICES**

We hope you've planned to attend this very important working session. A meal will be provided. Your participation is needed and will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.  
(Rom 12:11; Col 3:23-24)



## POINTS TO PONDER

*Remembering God's faithfulness in the past strengthens us for the future.*

**"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*

☺ **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 Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 9:30 am.

Ladies Movie Night: February 20 at Terry Kennedy's house from 5 to 9.



## February Birthdays

9th – Ryan Mackey

18th – Teal Baldasaro



# SNACKS!

Feb 7: Betty

Feb 14: Pot Luck

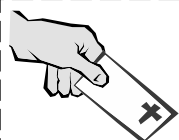
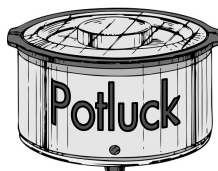
## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Next Men's Business Meeting:** Today, after services
- **Next Pot Luck Fellowship:** Feb 14th, after services



*Prayer is not a means of coercing God to do what we want. It is a process of recognizing His power and plan for our lives. In prayer we yield our lives and circumstances to the Lord and trust Him to act in His time and in His way. - David McCasland*

Our potluck fellowship will be Feb 14th after services. Please make plans to stay for this special time of food, fun & fellowship! ☺



Numbers for 1/31/15

Attendance - 24

Contribution - \$467.

# Order of Worship

February 7, 2016

*"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."*

~ Colossians 3:16 ~

Song Leader: *Nate Hios*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Paul Cote*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Erik Grabowski*

~ Matthew 5:1-12 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:

*George Nick & Jason Kennedy*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*

"Be-Attitudes"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

*Wayne Sampson*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Betty Schmidt*

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

**February 7, 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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