



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Diane Cote - diagnosed with kidney disease & dealing with many other health issues
- Randy Cote - struggling with burdens of life
- Paul & Sandy Gagnon - Paul: at Greenwood Center in Sanford & doing well; Sandy: dealing with pain brought on by fibromyalgia
- Baron Hicken (Nancy's brother) - fell recently and severely fractured his pelvis; in a lot of pain and needs assistance get up & down or walk
- Susana Kazel - made it to Florida safe & sound; busy getting settled in; thanks for your prayers
- Jim Miller - suffering with lower back pain
- David Murphy (Sandy's brother) - inoperable prostate cancer; also has diabetes
- Chris Nick (George's brother) - had a serious stroke recently and is severely debilitated
- Ernie Perry - dealing with COPD issues
- Robert (Shirley's Dad) - serious heart condition; problems with excessive fluid retention
- Wayne Sampson - recently diagnosed with gallstones & fatty liver; also suffering from lower back pain and ongoing anxiety attacks
- Mark Schmidt (Terry & Betty's son) - serving in the USAF, now deployed to Qatar
- Henry Terrill - suffering with lower back pain due to bulging disks pressing on nerves; undergoing a regimen of epidural steroid injections which are reducing the pain; thanks for prayers
- Karlee Wells - various health issues; dealing with PTSD, TBI, severe migraines and chronic pain; also legal issues for health compensation
- Peter Wolenty - ongoing heart problems
- Please pray for the success of current negotiations on a good & affordable piece of land in Kennebunk where we, with God's help, will be able to build our future meeting place
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today

We Are As We Think

By Ron Boatwright

All of our actions first originate in our mind. Proverbs 23:7 says, "For as he thinks in his heart, so is he." We are what we think. Those who think on evil things become evil just as those in Noah's day. "Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Genesis 6:5). Those who think evil, do evil. "For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be" (Romans 8:5-7). The sinful things that people say and do originate in the mind. "For those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man" (Matt 15:18).

How can our thinking be used in order for us to live a godly life so we can go to heaven? "Your word I have hidden in my heart that I might not sin against you" (Psalms 119:11). By studying God's word and making it part of your life you will "sanctify the Lord God in your hearts" (1 Peter 3:15). By doing this, we will "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). To go to heaven we must, "Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth" (Colossians 3:2).

We must purify our hearts for, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8). How do we purify our hearts so we can go to heaven? "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Philippians 4:8). As we think on pure and holy things our lives will be righteous.

As we study God's word, we will "not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind" (Romans 12:2). Jesus says, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37). If we do this we will obey all that God commands and one day be with Him in heaven! (Matthew 7:21; 25:21).

"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

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When we pray, may our hearts always be bowed in humility, adoration and gratitude to our loving God, for we know that His eyes are "open and [His] ears attentive to the prayers" of His people (2 Chron. 6:40). The highest form of prayer comes from the depths of a humble heart. (Psalm 51:17)

☺ **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 before you depart. Have a great week!



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Congregational Meeting:** Sunday, July 30, after services
- **Ministry Meetings:** Sunday, August 6, after services
- **Pot Luck Fellowship:** Sunday, August 13, after services



July Birthdays

24th - Diane Cote
29th – Shirley Boucher



Visits to Our Web Page

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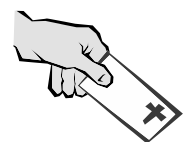
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Romans 13:14 tells us to “clothe [ourselves] with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.” What does this mean? When we become Christians, we take on Christ’s nature and His identity. We’re “children of God through faith” (Gal 3:26–27), being transformed into His likeness (Rom 12:1-2), and conformed to His image (Rom 8:29). Yet each day we need to clothe ourselves in His character. We do this by striving to live for Jesus and to be more like Him, growing in godliness, love, and obedience and turning our back on the sins that once enslaved us. This growth in Christ is a result of the Holy Spirit working in us (Gal 5:22-26) and our desire to be closer to Christ through study of the Word, prayer, and time spent in fellowship with other Christians. During our busy week, when others observe our words and attitudes, what do they see? What messages are we sending? What statement are we making to them about Christ?

SNACKS!

July 23: Nancy
July 30: Paula



Numbers for 7/16/17

Attendance - 20
Contribution - \$746.

Order of Worship

July 23, 2017

“Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms . . . Oh come, let us worship!”

- Psalm 95:1-2, 6 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Jason Kennedy*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Terry Schmidt*

Song

The Lord’s Supper:

Wayne Sampson & Ernie Perry

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *George Nick*

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Erik Grabowski

Alternate/fill-in: *Jim Miller*

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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 23, 2017**

### 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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