

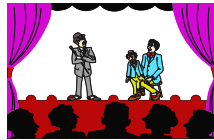


## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Paul Bineau (Diane's 95 year old father) - can no longer walk
- Raymond Bineau (Diane's brother) - suffered a heart attack and has COPD; unable to walk
- Suezanne Bineau (Diane's cousin) - stage 3 ovarian cancer; prayers are appreciated
- Diane Cote - kidney disease; health concerns
- Paul & Sandy Gagnon - Paul: at Greenwood Center in Sanford & doing well; Sandy: various health concerns; dealing with chronic pain brought on by polymyalgia rheumatica
- Pat Glass (Terry K's sister-in-law) - diagnosed with a fatty Liver and now needs a whole liver transplant
- Erik Grabowski - Still experiencing chronic neck pain; cortisone shots did not work
- Nate & Rebecca Hios - have decided to try again with another foster child placement in August; prayers needed & appreciated
- David Murphy (Sandy's brother) - inoperable prostate cancer; also has diabetes
- Ariana Nick - suffering with serious medical issues; only 16 years old
- Caren Nick - chronic fatigue syndrome
- Ernie Perry - dealing with COPD issues
- Norman Roy (Paula's sister's 54 year old husband) - rapid weight loss, muscle mass reduction and overall deteriorating health; going to Mass General soon for further testing and another opinion; please pray for the family and for a definitive diagnosis & healing
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing ongoing anxiety attacks
- Karlee Wells - various health issues; dealing with PTSD, TBI, migraines and chronic pain
- Please pray for those not with us today
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place



## Behind the Scenes

Throughout our forty-two years of marriage, Betty and I have enjoyed going to the theater to see a good play. Many of these theaters are small venues and we are always amazed at the scenes and moods that can be created in such a small setting. We are equally impressed by the fine acting and the overall emotional impact of the whole production. At the end of the play, the cast will come out to receive deserved recognition and appreciation for their efforts with rounds of applause from a grateful audience. However, for the play to be a success, much must be done by many behind the scenes.

Carpenters and other artisans create the needed props, stage-hands move and change the props at the right time, seamstresses and others handle the demands of wardrobe, make-up artists work to create specific characters, light & sound techs are busy with their responsibilities, choreographers teach the various stage moves and dance steps, while the orchestra provides musical accompaniment. In addition there is a playwright, a producer and a director involved in the production—among many others. While they may receive some credit in the playbill, these essential "behind the scenes" personnel do not usually receive applause or any other type of recognition. And, they are fine with that. Not everyone can be "out in front" on the stage. Some play a big part, some play a small part. But all parts are important to the overall success of the play.

In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul describes the body of Christ as having many diverse members, each having different functions, working harmoniously together for the good of the body. Some are in plain view and noticeable, while others remain concealed from view and go unnoticed. But each member is important and has a specific function within the body. "God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased" (v.18). "Those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary" (v.22).

God has blessed each of us with certain talents and abilities to be used in His service, for His glory (Rom 12:6-6). So, it's not so much about the part you are given to play (whether great or small, on stage or behind the scenes), but how well you play your part!

God has work for each one of us to do: "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them" (Eph 2:10). The Lord has equipped each of us for this work that we "may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ—from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love" (Eph 4:11-16). So in a sense, according to this passage, the key to having the church grow both spiritually and numerically is . . . **YOU!** ☺ — **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; Rev 2:10

☺ **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:

- **Greenwood Nursing Home Service:**  
Every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 PM.  
All are welcome! ☺



### July Birthdays

7/16 - Pat Miller  
7/24 - Diane Cote  
7/29 – Shirley Boucher



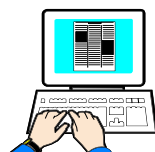
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### Transformed Living

As we live from day to day, we are to make the Scriptures a vital part of our lives so the truth of God's word will affect what we do and what we think about. It's the continuous meditation of the mind and subsequent application of the heart that translates divine truth into transformed living. (see Rom 12:1-2; Eph 4:20-24)

*"If you love Me, keep My commandments."*  
Jesus — John 14:15

## SNACKS!

July 15: Terry K  
July 22: Jan



Numbers for 7/8/18

Attendance - 21  
Contribution - \$769

## Order of Worship

July 15, 2018

*"Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
and His greatness is unsearchable. . . The  
LORD is righteous in all His ways, gracious  
in all His works. The LORD is near to all  
who call upon Him, to all who call  
upon Him in truth."*

- Psalm 145:3, 17-18 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song

Opening Prayer: *Paul Bullock*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Jason Kennedy*  
~ Judges 12:8-15 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:  
*Jim Miller & Ernie Perry*

Contribution

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
"Three Inconspicuous Judges"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Wayne Sampson*

Alternate/fill-in: *George Nick*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Pat Miller*

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

## July 15, 2018

### 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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