



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Don Blackwell (gospel preacher) - severed spinal cord; doing better, prayers still needed
- Cote Family - personal & financial struggles
- Diane Cote - recently suffered a minor stroke; also has kidney disease & health concerns
- Sandy Gagnon - an infected part of her left big toe was removed on 9/16 with successful surgery; rehab has been completed and she is now home; thanks for all the prayers!
- Victims- please pray for all those who have suffered damage & loss from the recent Nor' Easter, hurricanes, flooding and wildfires; especially our brothers and sisters in Christ
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer; pray for pain relief; pray for Glenda as well
- Debbie McGarey (mother-in-law of Terry & Betty's daughter, Becky) - recently diagnosed with stage 4 throat cancer which has spread to her liver and gall bladder; has begun an aggressive treatment regimen
- Ernie Perry - dealing with COPD issues
- Norman Roy (Paula's sister's husband) - suffering with Lyme disease; still in hospice care, but he is doing better, which is an answer to our prayers; keep praying!
- Wayne Sampson - injured his right shoulder last week and is unable to use his arm; under a doctors care; also experiencing ongoing anxiety attacks; pray that the cause can be found, along with an effective treatment
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for those not with us today

*"The prayer of the upright is His delight . . .
He hears the prayer of the righteous."*

~ Proverbs 15:8, 29 ~



Recent polls indicate that our liberated, enlightened, hi-tech society is increasingly dismissing the notion that a literal hell exists. And, if they do believe in hell, many don't think it is a place of eternal punishment. Also, as you may have guessed, the majority of those who believe there is a hell don't believe they are going there.

It doesn't take a degreed theologian or Greek Bible scholar to discern that Jesus regarded hell as a reality. He also taught that it was a place of eternal (everlasting) punishment (Matt 18:8-9; 25:41, 46 et al). According to Jesus, hell is real (Matt 10:28). As *The Zondervan Bible Encyclopedia* notes, "The reality of hell is established through Christ's references to it. While many of the terms used to describe hell are symbolic and descriptive, they connote real entities, about which existence there can be no doubt. Hell is both a condition of retribution, and a place in which the retribution occurs."

When God made man, He placed within him an eternal soul that will live on forever (Gen 2:7; Ecc 12:7). The question is: where? Jesus reveals only two choices in Matthew 7:13-14 – the narrow, difficult way that leads to eternal life, and the easy, broad way that leads to eternal destruction. This word destruction does not mean extinction, but ruin. It means loss, not of being, but of well-being. It is clear from its use that it is being used metaphorically of spiritual destitution (*Vines*).

Through His dying for our sins, Jesus who now holds "the keys of hell and of death" (Rev 1:18), paved the way for all who will choose to navigate the narrow road to eternal life in heaven. But, once this life ends, the opportunity to choose ends with it. Then, death and hell shall deliver up the dead in them: and they will be judged every man according to their works (Rev 20:13).

— 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

~ The Bible Teaches Creation ~

(not evolution)

- In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them (Genesis 1:1).

- Of old God laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of his hands (Psalm 102:25).

The Means of Creation

-God says, "I have made the earth and created man upon it. With my own hands I stretched out the heavens." (Isaiah 45:12).

- God made the earth by his power. He has established the world by his wisdom (Jeremiah 10:12).

- The LORD by his wisdom founded the earth. By understanding he established the heavens. (Prov 3:19-20).

Creation as Evidence of God

- Since creation, God's eternal power and divinity are understood from the things he has made (Rom 1:20).

- The heavens declare the glory of God and the sky displays his handiwork (Psalm 19:1).

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☺ Welcome Visitors! ☺

We are glad to have you worship with us today. 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 ~

- **Lecture: "What Happens After This Life?"** at the Kittery Church of Christ, Oct 25, 7-9 PM (*see flyer on table*)
- **Greenwood Nursing Home Service:** Every Sunday afternoon at 3:30 PM. All are welcome! ☺

October Birthdays

28th — Terry Kennedy

Happy Anniversary!

Jason & Paula - October 25th

VISITS TO OUR WEB PAGE

This Week: 10,728

This Month: 28,444



SNACKS!

October 20: Jan
October 27: Betty

Contribution & Attendance

for October 13, 2019

Attendance — 26

Contribution — 371

Order of Worship

October 20, 2019

"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: *Paul Cote*

Song—22

Opening Prayer: *George Cuvellier*

Song—262

Scripture Reading: *Paul Bullock*
~ Luke 16:19-31 ~

Song—287

The Lord's Supper:
Jason Kennedy & Ernie Perry

Contribution

Song—53

Sermon: *Jim Miller*
"Hell"

Song—190

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Jim Miller

Alternate: *Wayne Sampson*

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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 -

October 20, 2019

### 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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