



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Corona Pandemic - its effect & overall impact on our lives, the nation and the world
- Diane Cote - kidney disease/ health concerns
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Reyderick Derecho (Cathy's nephew) - permanently disabled and in need of prayer
- Sandy Gagnon - ongoing health concerns
- Sandra (Glenda's aunt in California)- recovering from recent shoulder surgery
- Janice Grabowski - large growth on her neck
- Connie Henderson - recent chemotherapy went well; she will continue a regimen which hopefully will eradicate the remaining cancer
- Kayden Cote (Paul & Diane's grandson) - doing well now; no surgery required
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer
- Joanne Neithercut - struggling with frequent bouts of depression
- George Nick - family issues & concerns
- Ernie Perry - arthritic back pain and COPD
- Norman Roy - prayers are needed for him & his family as his health continues to decline
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis & arthritis pain and ongoing anxiety attacks
- Lance Schmidt (Terry & Betty's grandson) - completed Ground Transportation training and is now stationed at Hill AFB in Utah
- Paul Smith (Paul Cote's cousin) - battling stomach cancer; prayers needed
- Erik Wuelper - (friend of George Cuvelier) - pancreatic cancer; prayers requested

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

~ Proverbs 15:8, 29 ~

Counterfeit Religion

Imagine yourself in the familiar scene of standing in line in a crowded store waiting to pay for your items. Finally, your items are tallied, you give the cashier your money and patiently wait for your change. But the cashier calls for the store manager who arrives quickly with a look of grave concern on his face. Then, with everyone watching, the manager looks at you and says, "The money you just gave us is counterfeit!" Imagine your shock, embarrassment, and utter bewilderment as you hear these words... "COUNTERFEIT!" The money you thought was legal tender—was not!

Sadly, a similar scene will occur on the Day of Judgment, "in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to [the] gospel" (Romans 2:16; Jn 12:48). "For we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad" (2 Cor 5:10). On that day, many will be told the sad news that theirs was a counterfeit religion! Imagine their shock, embarrassment, and utter bewilderment as they hear these words from the Lord Jesus Christ: "I never knew you; depart from me, you who practice lawlessness! [iniquity]" (Matt 7:23).

Why will this happen? Jesus says: "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven!" (Matt 7:21). Those who choose to go their *own* way, or follow the teachings of *men* are in a counterfeit religion (Jeremiah 10:23; Matt 15:7-9). The salvation they may *think* they have is not real, but a worthless imitation.



Therefore, let us be *noble* in our approach to the word of God and *honestly* motivated to receive His word with all *readiness* of mind, and *search* the scriptures *daily*, whether these things are so (Acts 17:11; 2 Tim 2:15). And let us *diligently* seek to *understand* "what the will of the Lord is" (Ephesians 5:17), and then . . . *do it!* (James 1:22-25).

— 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

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*"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there
is none other name under heaven given among
men, whereby 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 visi-
tor's card before you depart. ☺
Have a great week!*





October 28th — Terry Kennedy



Jason & Paula — October 25th



“And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.”

Jesus — Luke 6:31

Visits to Our
Web Page

This Week: 15,125
This Month: 24,878



SNACKS!

Oct 18: Cathy
Oct 25: Pat

*Attendance & Contribution
for October 11, 2020*

Attendance — 16
Contribution — \$537.

Order of Worship

October 18, 2020

*“O LORD, thou art my God; I will exalt thee,
I will praise thy name; for thou hast done
wonderful things; thy counsels of old
are faithfulness and truth.”*

- Isaiah 25:1 -

Song Leader: *Paul Cote*

Song—578

Opening Prayer: *Jason Kennedy*

Song—256

Scripture Reading: *Jim Miller*
~ Colossians 2:16-23 ~

Song—287

The Lord's Supper:
Paul Bullock & Ernie Perry

Song—144

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*
“Let No One Destroy Your Faith!”

Song—643

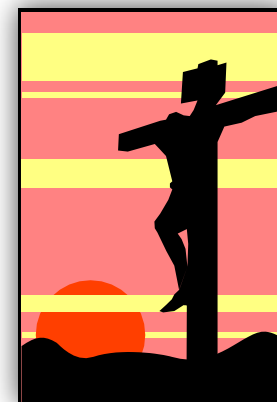
Announcements & Closing Prayer:
George Cuvellier

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Sandy Gagnon*

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

**October 18, 2020**

### 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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