

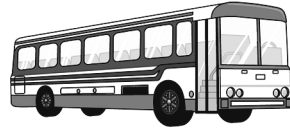


## Prayer Requests:

*"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
- Bill Ferrigno (friend of Terry S) - the lymphatic cancer is now in remission due to successful chemo treatments; thanks for your prayers!
- Sandy Gagnon - home now, but experiencing neck & back pain; continuing health concerns
- Glenda's aunts in California:
  - Mary Lou - kidney failure; now on dialysis
  - Sandra - recent shoulder surgery
- Janice Grabowski - large growth on her neck
- Connie Henderson - ovarian cancer; surgery is scheduled for 7/20 to remove the remaining cancer after chemotherapy; prayers needed!
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer
- Debbie McGarey - succumbed to her cancer on 6/28; please keep family in your prayers
- George Nick - family issues & concerns
- Ernie Perry - arthritic back pain and COPD
- Norman Roy - at home now, but in severe pain; pain meds being administered intravenously; prayers are needed for him and his family as his health continues to decline
- Jan Sampson - home now, after having been admitted to SMHC on 7/1 due to passing-out because of anemia (iron deficiency) and suffering complete exhaustion; tests still being run to render a more accurate diagnosis and hopefully provide an effective treatment
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis & arthritis pain and ongoing anxiety attacks



## Intelligent Design

Most of you know that during the week my "day job" is piloting 34,500 pounds of hi-tech rolling machinery down our spacious highways and bi-ways, providing needed transportation to the good citizens of our fair communities. That's right, I am a bus driver. The bus I drive has many different systems designed by very intelligent engineers and highly trained technicians. Each system and component are designed for a particular purpose and has a specific function.

The electronic system is extensive and impressive, including a *master* computer, along with an *engine* computer and a *transmission* computer (all "talking" with each other). An elaborate system of wires and multiplex cables run throughout the bus, along with complex circuit boards and a host of modules and sensors. Then there's the air system which allows for an air-suspension ride and provides braking. The engine alone has systems for fuel, lubrication, cooling, turbo-air, and hundreds of intricate parts designed to operate with synchronized precision. I could go on, but you get the point.

The thought of this complex piece of machinery coming into existence by pure chance, without the aid of an intelligent designer is—to most reasonable minds—totally ridiculous, ludicrous and absurd. But this is, in essence, what the theory of evolution proposes for the origin of the universe, the earth, and its inhabitants. This so-called theory, taught as fact in our public schools and higher institutions of learning, fails even as a hypothesis in many areas and raises more questions than it answers. The widely accepted teaching that everything "just happened" to come into existence (somehow), and then developed into what we now see around us through a process of "natural selection," is just another way of saying it happened without God! (Ps 14:1; 53:1; Rom 1:22).

But God is the only One who *can* effectively deal with the origin of all things, because *He was there!* The Bible affirms that "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (Gen 1:1).

"By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible" (Heb 11:3). "You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands" (Heb 1:10). "For by Him (Jesus) were all things created, in heaven and on earth...all things were created by Him and for Him" (Col 1:16). "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created" (Rev 4:11). Amen!

The clear and irrefutable evidence of God's intelligent design and creative power is found in the creation itself. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork" (Ps 19:1). The complexity, intricacy and beauty of God's marvelous design and awesome creation is universal and openly revealed to all. "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they [those who deny God] are without excuse" (Rom 1:20). God, our Creator, has the final say: "For thus says the LORD, who created the heavens, who is God, who formed the earth and made it, who has established it, who did not create it in vain, who formed it to be inhabited: 'I am the LORD, and there is no other!'" (Isaiah 45:18). — **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

*"Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

## ~ Announcements ~

- **Potluck Fellowship:** Next Sunday, July 12, after services



July 9th - Tyler Kennedy

July 16th - Pat Miller

July 24th - Diane Cote

*On July 4th 1776, the thirteen colonies declared their independence from the oppressive domination of England. As Christians, we declared our independence from sin when we "obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which [we] were delivered" (Romans 6:18). However, the victory over the oppressive control and domination of sin was not won by our own efforts. It was our Lord Jesus Christ who gained the victory for us through his death on the cross (Col 2:15). We must never forget the great price that was paid to gain the freedom we now enjoy in this great country. But even more so, must we always remember the great price that was paid for our freedom from the bondage of sin (Acts 20:28; 1 Cor 6:20).*

## SNACKS!

July 5: Glenda

July 12: Diane

*Attendance & Contribution  
for June 28, 2020*

Attendance — 15

Contribution — \$865

## Order of Worship

July 5, 2020

*"Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing."*

- Psalm 100:2 -

Song Leader: *Paul Bullock*

Song

Opening Prayer: *George Cuvellier*

Song

Scripture Reading: *Jim Miller*

~ Psalm 19:1-6 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper:

*Jason Kennedy & Ernie Perry*

Song

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*

"God's World"

Song

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

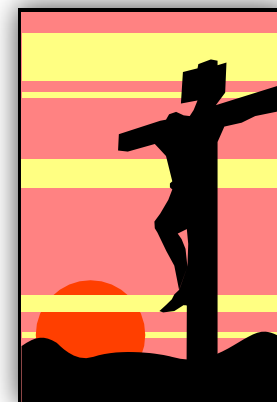
*Paul Bullock*

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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 -

## July 5, 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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