



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) - recently diagnosed with lymphatic cancer
- Sandy Gagnon - home now after having been admitted to *Brigham & Women's* in Boston last week with dehydration and upper GI problems; 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 - diagnosed with a fast-growing ovarian cancer; undergoing more chemo-therapy to further shrink tumors; most likely will undergo surgery to remove any remaining cancer; prayers appreciated!
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer
- Debbie McGarey - stage 4 throat cancer; now in hospice care
- George Nick - family issues & concerns
- Ernie Perry - dealing with arthritic back pain and COPD issues
- 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
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis & arthritis pain and ongoing anxiety attacks

"Pray without ceasing." — 1 Thess 5:17

Satan is a Gambler



Satan is identified in a lot of ways and has many descriptions. He is known as "the devil" (meaning *the slanderer*); "the evil or wicked one" (Mt 13:19,38; Jn 17:15); "the accuser of our brethren" (Rev 12:10); "the adversary" (1 Pet 5:8); "the deceiver of the whole world" (Rev 12:9); "the father of lies" (Jn 8:44; "the god of this world" (2 Cor 4:4); "a murderer" (Jn 8:44); and "the tempter" (Mt 4:5);— to name a few.

But, did you know that Satan is also a gambler? He takes a big chance when he throws temptations, trials, and difficulties our way. He's a gambler because he knows that the odds are sometimes against him. He is fully aware of the fact that there's a chance we will not react as he would have us to.

Our righteous fellow-servant Job is a good example. Satan accused Job before God that he was serving Him, not because he loved and revered God, but for selfish reasons—for blessings he received from God. With God's permission (and divine restraints to protect Job), Satan unleashed a barrage of severe trials and tremendous suffering on this righteous man (Job 1-2).

Through this ordeal, Job did not charge God foolishly with wrong-doing. And, at one point, said: "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him" (Job 13:15). Clearly, Job's love for God was true and his faithfulness genuine. Satan had lost the wager. Job's loyalty, devotion and allegiance was to God, and to Him alone!

Even so, Satan continues his diabolical work and hopes that the Christian will fold under pressure—that he will despair, quit trying and give up. And sadly, some do. But others, much to Satan's dislike, react to his temptations by resisting him (Jas 4:7; 1 Pet 5:8-9), by drawing closer to God and leaning on His strength (Eph 6:10; Phil 4:13). And, as a result, these disciples grow even stronger in the Lord (Jas 1:2-4).

It's up to each of us to decide how we will react when "the gambler" decides to "try his luck" with us. How will you respond? — **Terry Schmidt** ✍



WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS for JULY

Preaching: Terry Schmidt

Song Leader: Paul Cote

Opening Prayer: George Cuvelier

Scripture Reading: Jim Miller

Lord's Supper:

Jason Kennedy & Ernie Perry

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Paul Bullock

Lord's Supper Prep: Betty 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 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 ~

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



July 9th - Tyler Kennedy

July 16th - Pat Miller

July 24th - Diane Cote



Points to Ponder

"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in getting back up every time we fall." (see Pr 24:16)

Visits to Our Web Page

This Week: 6,962

This Month: 16,753



SNACKS!

June 28: Pat
July 5: Glenda

Attendance & Contribution for June 21, 2020

Attendance — 17

Contribution — \$352

Order of Worship

June 28, 2020

"God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be held in reverence by all those around Him."

- Psalm 89:7 -

Song Leader: *Paul Bullock*

Song—59

Opening Prayer: *Jim Miller*

Song—55

Scripture Reading: *Jason Kennedy*
~ Matthew 15:21-28~

Song—289

The Lord's Supper:
George Cuvellier & Ernie Perry

Song—63

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*
"Don't Lose Heart!"
(*the faith of a woman from Canaan*)

Song—559

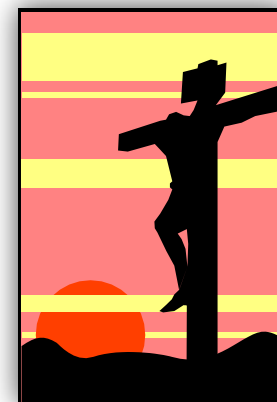
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Lord's Supper Prep: *Pat Miller*

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

## June 28, 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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