



## 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 - her leg is getting better; also has other ongoing health concerns
- Paul Cote - now a resident at Seal Rock Health Care in Saco; thank you for your prayers
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Reyderick Derecho - permanently disabled
- Erik & Janice Grabowski - please pray for a favorable court decision regarding their foster child Uriah, that he might remain with them & not have to return to his troubled parents
- Janice Grabowski - suffering from chronic pancreatitis & fibromyalgia
- Jim Miller - pic-line & IV have been removed; making sure & steady progress as he recovers from surgery & regains his strength; many thanks & much praise to God for this good progress; please keep praying for continued healing and a complete recovery
- Pat Miller - suffering with diverticulitis; your prayers are appreciated
- Ernie Perry - arthritic back pain and COPD
- Norman Roy - ongoing health concerns
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis and arthritis pain, with ongoing anxiety attacks
- Paul Small (Paul's cousin) - stomach cancer
- Erik Wuelper - has pancreatic cancer
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray for those not with us today

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

## The Authority of Jesus

We don't hear it all that much in today's society, but if you watch an old movie or TV show, you may hear a policeman saying, "Stop! In the *name* of the law!" Another way to phrase this would be, stop by the *authority* of the law. While the policeman himself may be somewhat non-threatening as a person, the badge he wears represents the full authority of the law (including law enforcement agencies and the judicial system). This is why intelligent persons will stop and do what the patrolman says.

As Christ followers, we are to "*Do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him*" (Col 3:17). The Greek word translated *name* has to do with one's character and authority. Therefore, we are to do whatever we do by the authority of Jesus Christ our Lord. Of Himself Jesus said, "*All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth*" (Mt 28:18). The Greek word translated *authority* means "the power of rule; the power of him whose will and commands must be submitted to by others and obeyed" (Thayer).

Jesus, the "*the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him*" (Heb 5:9), chose to use His Divine authority for our benefit. After stating He had been given all authority in heaven and on earth, the Lord commanded: "*Go therefore and teach [make disciples of] all nations, baptizing them in the name [by the authority] of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age*" (Mt 28:19-20).

This command is reflected in the first Gospel sermon preached by the inspired apostle Peter. After learning they had crucified the Lord Jesus Christ, the Jews gathered there were "*cut to the heart*" and asked, "*Men and brethren, what shall we do?*" "*Then Peter said to them, 'Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name [by the authority] of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'*" (Acts 2:37-38).

And the first century Christians "*baptized in the name [by the authority] of the Lord Jesus* (Acts 19:5), "*and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified*" (v. 17).

During His ministry on this earth, Jesus taught "*as one having authority*" (Mk 1:22). This is because Jesus was God in the flesh. "*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth*" (Jn 1:14). He was "*Immanuel, which is translated, 'God with us'*" (Mt 1:23).

The authority of Christ, who now reigns as Lord seated at the right hand of God (Eph 1:20-23; Phil 2:9-11), is the same today as it was in the first century. "*Let it be known to you all ... that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth ... whom God raised from the dead ... this is the stone which was rejected ... which has become the chief cornerstone. Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved!*" (Acts 4:10-12). — **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 to have you as our honored guests!*



George & Caren — November 9th



We will enjoy our potluck fellowship next Sunday, November 14th, after services. Please plan to stay for this special time of food, fun and fellowship!

“...food which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.” — 1 Timothy 4:3



“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”  
- Psalms 119:105 -

### Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 5,145  
This Month: 30,660



## SNACKS!

Nov 7: Betty  
Nov 14: Paula

### Attendance & Contribution for October 31, 2021

Attendance — 15  
Contribution — \$357.

## Order of Worship

November 7, 2021

*“Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent  
reigns! Let us be glad and rejoice  
and give Him glory!”*

- Revelation 19:6-7 -

Song Leader: *Terry Schmidt*

Song—11

Opening Prayer: *George Cuvellier*

Song—147

Scripture Reading: *Erik Grabowski*  
~ Mark 1:21-28~

Song—155

The Lord’s Supper:  
*Jason Kennedy & Ernie Perry*

Song—157

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
“Jesus — One Having Authority”

Song—522

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Wayne Sampson*

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Lord’s Supper Prep: *Paula Kennedy*

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

## November 7, 2021

### 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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