



## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Family of Paul Bullock and brothers & sisters here: grieving the loss of our dear brother
- 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 - surgery on 3/25 to place a stent in her leg was successful; surgery on 3/31 to correct a collapsed artery in her neck was also successful; she is now home recovering
- Paul Cote - 3/23 surgery removed a cancerous tumor from his frontal lobe; now home recovering; beginning radiation & chemo soon
- Cathy Cuvelier - prayers answered regarding a new job; thanks for the prayers; & praise God!
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Reyderick Derecho - permanently disabled
- Erik Grabowski - dealing with a painful heel spur on his right foot
- Janice Grabowski - large growth on her neck; also dealing with pancreatitis & fibromyalgia
- Connie Henderson - undergoing an aggressive regimen of chemotherapy which hopefully will eradicate the remaining cancer; a recent CTSCAN revealed that the chemo is working
- Leah (Glenda's daughter) - ovarian cancer
- Jim Miller - underwent successful triple bypass surgery on 3/18; now home recovering
- George Nick - family issues & concerns
- Ernie Perry - arthritic back pain and COPD
- Norman Roy - prayers needed for him & his family as his condition has rapidly worsened
- Wayne Sampson - experiencing bursitis & arthritis pain and ongoing anxiety attacks
- Paul Small (Paul Cote's cousin) - battling stomach cancer
- Erik Wuelper - pancreatic cancer

## What If God Was One of Us?



A popular song from 25 years ago asked the question: "What if God was one of us?" The song seemed to suggest that God is either so high and holy that He is totally disinterested in mankind, or so detached from us that he is unable (or unwilling) to involve Himself with His creation. The fact of the matter is, God *was* one of us!

The Scriptures teach that "the Word was made 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" (John 1:14). Matthew states in His gospel, "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and bear a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which is translated, 'God with us'" (Matthew 1:23).

Paul affirms that Jesus "who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a servant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross" (Philippians 2:6-8).

The writer of the letter to the Hebrews testifies: "Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation [reconciliation; atonement] for the sins of the people" (Hebrews 2:14-17).

We can be joyfully confident that the Scriptures teach positively that *God was one of us!* And because He was—because the holy Son of God came to this earth (John 1:10), lived life as a man

(Luke 24:39), suffered unjustly (1 Peter 4:1), was put to death on a cruel Roman cross to pay the penalty for our sins (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; 1 Peter 2:19-25), was buried (John 19:41-42), and was raised again by the power of God (Mark 16:6; Acts 2:24, 32; Ephesians 1:19-20)—we now have a merciful High Priest who is "able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He ever lives to make intercession for them" (Hebrews 7:25.) This is the gospel! (Romans 1:16; Colossians 1:5, 23). And this is good news! (1 Corinthians 15:1-4; Ephesians 1:13; 2 Thessalonians 2:14.)

— 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

*"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 visitor's card before you depart. ☺  
Have a great week!*





*Jim & Pat — April 28th*

## Gospel

Our English word *Gospel* comes from the Old & Middle English *godspell*, a translation of the Latin *evangelium*, from *God* (good) and *spell* (tale), or "good tidings." The Gospel is the story of God's gift of salvation to mankind. It is the Good News that God has provided a way of redemption through His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ—a message which the church has been commissioned to proclaim to the whole world. 📖

## Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 3,799  
This Month: 8,824



# SNACKS!

April 18: Jan  
April 25: Betty

## Attendance & Contribution for April 11, 2021

Attendance — 16  
Contribution — \$405.

# Order of Worship

April 18, 2021

*"I was glad when they said unto me,  
'Let us go into the house of the LORD'."*

- Psalm 122:1 -

*"But Christ as a son over His own house;  
whose house are we, if we hold fast the  
confidence and the rejoicing of the hope  
firm unto the end."*

- Hebrews 3:6 -

Song Leader: *Terry Schmidt*

Song—5

Opening Prayer: *Erik Grabowski*

Song—277

Scripture Reading: *Wayne Sampson*  
~ Mark 1:1-15 ~

Song—287

The Lord's Supper:  
*George Cuvellier & Ernie Perry*

Song—555

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt*  
The Gospel Was Prophesied

Song—522

Announcements & Closing Prayer:  
*Jason Kennedy*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Jan Sampson*

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

## April 18, 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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