



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Michael Baldasaro (Wayne & Jan's son in law) successful surgery on 9/21 addressed cancer of the tonsils; now undergoing radiation treatments 5 days a week for 3 more weeks; please pray for Mike & Teal — for emotional strength & physical stamina needed to endure these aggressive treatments and for positive results
- Louis Bureau - injured left shoulder at work & is gradually recovering from surgery
- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Diane Cote - left leg amputated up to the knee as a result of diabetes; soon to be fitted with a prosthesis and undergo prosthetic rehab
- Filomena Derecho (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- Reyderick Derecho - permanently disabled
- Linda Gloman - colon cancer was detected in a recent colonoscopy; 8/10 laparoscopic surgery successful; now undergoing chemotherapy
- Lewiston Shootings - Please pray for victim's families, friends & associates as they grieve the deaths of their loved ones, along with all Mainers & our nation as, together, we mourn this tragedy
- Molly Urghart (mother of Wayne & Jan's granddaughter, River)- her stage 4 esophageal cancer has spread to other areas; undergoing aggressive chemotherapy; prayers needed
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent meeting place
- Please pray for those not with us today — the sick & suffering and those who are spiritually weak & struggling

"The eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers."

~ 1 Peter 3:12 ~

The Power of God's Word



The great God we serve is omnipresent (all-seeing), omniscient (all-knowing), and omnipotent (all-powerful). God sees everything. *"The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good"* (Pr 15:3). God knows everything. *"God is greater than our heart, and knows all things"* (1 Jn 3:20). He sees and knows everything! *"And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account"* (Heb 4:13). God is Almighty! *"Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite"* (Ps 147:5). *"Oh, the depth and the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!"* (Rom 11:33).

The God we serve is sovereign. He is the *"God and Father of all, who is above all, through all and in you all"* (Eph 4:6). *"For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen"* (Rom 11:35). God has complete power, supreme authority, absolute control, and the final say in everything. He brings about everything in accordance with His Divine purpose and *"works all things according to the counsel of His will"* (Eph 1:11). *"For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him: and He is before all things, and by Him all things consist"* (Col 1:16-17).

Since the God we serve is all-powerful, it should come as no surprise that His inspired word is powerful too. He upholds *"all things by the word of His power"* (Heb 1:3). *"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart"* (Heb 4:12). The huge benefit in all of this is that God's word, when implanted in sinful human hearts, is able to save lost souls (Jas 1:21).

We understand that *"the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God"* (1 Cor 1:18). This is why we confidently join the Apostle Paul in affirming: *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes . . . for in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, 'The just shall live by faith'"* (Rom 1:16-17). And this faith *"comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God"* (Rom 10:17).

This is why God has *"manifested His word through preaching"* (Titus 1:3). Preaching is ordained by God as the approved method of communicating His holy word. When the church began in the first century, preaching and teaching were the methods used for spreading and furthering the gospel message (Mt 28:18-20; Acts 8:4; 2 Tim 4:2). And, here in the 21st century, we dare not attempt to improvise nor try to improve on God's divine plan. Amen. — **Terry Schmidt** ✍



WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS for DECEMBER

Preaching: Terry Schmidt

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Opening Prayer: Wayne Sampson

Scripture Reading: Jason Kennedy

Lord's Supper:

George Cuvellier & Jim Miller

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Louis Bureau

Lord's Supper Prep: Terry Kennedy

☺ Welcome Visitors! ☺

We are glad to have you as our honored guests!



Terry Schmidt — December 9th
Brandon Kennedy — December 16th
Catherine Cuvellier — December 28th



Terry & Betty — December 6th



"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." - Romans 1:16

Visits to Our
Web Page

Last Week: 17,826
This Month: 57,098



SNACKS!

Nov 26: Kathleen
Dec 3: Terry K

Attendance & Contribution

for November 19, 2023

Attendance — 22
Contribution — \$524

Order of Worship

November 26, 2023

*"I will offer sacrifices of joy;
I will sing, yea, I will sing
praises unto the LORD."*

📖 - Psalm 27:6 - 📖

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—43

Opening Prayer: Jason Kennedy

Song—13

Scripture Reading: George Cuvellier
- 2 Peter 1:16-21 -

Song—51

The Lord's Supper
Jim Miller (lead) & Louis Bureau

Song—501

Sermon: Terry Schmidt
"Inspiration—God Speaking
To man Through Man"

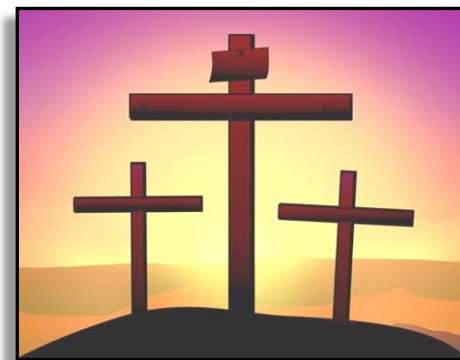
Song—644

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 26, 2023**

### Meeting on the Lord's Day:

9:30 am — Bible Class  
10:30 am — Worship

*"Let us consider one another in order  
to stir up love and good works, not  
forsaking the assembling of ourselves  
together, as is the manner of some, but  
exhorting one another, and so much the  
more as you see the Day approaching."*

- Hebrews 10:24-25 -

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