



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; has completed chemo-therapy treatments and will continue to be monitored; grateful for continued prayers for the family ☺
- 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; now using a temporary prosthesis and undergoing 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 colonoscopy; laparoscopic surgery successful; chemo ended on 1/25; having a CT scan on 2/22 and then every 6 months for 5 years; *"Chuck and I would like to thank everyone for their continued prayers. They are appreciated more than we can express in words."*
- Molly Urghart (mother of Wayne & Jan's granddaughter, River)- her stage 4 esophageal cancer is growing again and is affecting other organs; now undergoing a different kind of aggressive chemotherapy; radiation will be a last resort; prayers needed and appreciated
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- 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 ~

God is All We Need (and We Need God!)



As our Creator, our heavenly Father, and our Savior ... our sovereign, omnipotent, omnipresent, omniscient God knows us better and more intimately than we know ourselves. For that reason, He is supreme and He is sufficient—able to meet our every need and satisfy our deepest heart's desires. And, for that reason, we should give the most earnest heed to what He tells us in His word and obey Him in all respects. As our Lord Jesus Christ has said: "Yea, rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it" (Luke 11:28).

We serve "one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all" (Eph 4:5). "He gives to all life, breath, and all things. And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their pre-appointed times and boundaries of their dwellings, so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:25-28).

In short, God is all we need. "His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue" (2 Pet 1:3). This "knowledge of Him" is gained through His holy word, which makes us "complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Tim 3:17). Through His word, God gives us godly guidance and divine direction. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Ps 119:105). God's word is true and faithful (Jn 17:17; Rev 21:5) ... it is completely trustworthy, absolutely dependable, and always reliable. So, "trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not on thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths" (Pr 3:5-6).

The fact is, we need God. And, whether we realize it or not, we are totally dependent on Him. As the Lord reminds us: "For without Me, you can do nothing" (Jn 15:5). We are weak, He is strong. And we are totally compatible because, His strength is made perfect in weakness. So, when we are weak

(as we most always are), it is then that we are truly strong (2 Cor 12:9-10). And, if we are strong, it is only because we are "strong in the Lord and in the power of His might" (Eph 6:10). Realizing this, we would wholeheartedly agree with David who wrote in Psalm 18:32: "It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect." Again ... God is all we need.

The Lord faithfully promises: "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Heb 13:5). And the inspired Apostle Paul reminds us: "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Phil 4:19). What a God we have the privilege of worshiping and serving! Indeed, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear!" (Ps 46:1-2).

As we close out these thoughts, we, like the Psalmist, exalt our good and gracious God with these assuring and promising words: "Whom have I in heaven but You? And there is none upon the earth that I desire besides You. My flesh and my heart may fail; but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion forever" (Ps 73:25-26).

Amen! — **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 pleased to have you as our honored guests!



David Judkins — February 17th



We will enjoy our potluck meal next Sunday after services. ☺

We hope you will plan to stay for this special time of food, fun & fellowship!

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

“The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.” - Psalm 18:2

Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 15,653
This Month: 5,596



SNACKS!

February 4: Jan
Feb 11: Paula

Attendance & Contribution for January 28, 2024

Attendance — 21
Contribution — \$501

Order of Worship

February 4, 2024

“Praise the LORD; for the LORD is good: sing praises unto His name; for it is pleasant.”

Open Book - Psalm 135:3 - Closed Book

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—120

Opening Prayer: Jim Miller

Song—252

Scripture Reading: Louis Bureau ~ Psalm 18:1-3 ~

Song—119

The Lord’s Supper
Wayne Sampson (lead) & Jason Kennedy

Song—127

Sermon: Terry Schmidt
“God—My Dependable Deliverer”

Song—257

Announcements & Closing Prayer
George Cuvellier

Lord’s Supper Prep: Betty Schmidt

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

February 4, 2024

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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