

Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another" - James 5:16 -

- <u>Rodelio Baaqin & Family</u> working with congregations of the Lord's church in the Philippines
- Josiah Carelse & Family working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- <u>Leslie Denbow</u> left knee needs replacement surgery; experiencing nerve pain in right foot
- <u>Filomena Derecho</u> (Cathy's mother in the Philippines) - numerous health issues
- <u>Retha Flack</u> (Terry & Betty's Christian friend) 2 heart blockages; had a heart attack on 6/11 during PT & now on heart meds; also diagnosed as having A-Fib (abnormal heart rhythm)
- <u>Kathleen Judkins</u> healing & recovering well after right knee replacement surgery in May; doing PT to increase strength & range of motion
- <u>Richard Miles</u> (Kathleen's nephew) undergoing chemo & radiation to combat a rare sarcoma
- <u>Terry Schmidt</u> recent MRI revealed nerve root compression in 2nd lumbar vertebra as primary cause for lower back pain; Doctor is considering epidural steroid injections as possible treatment
- <u>Hurricane Victims</u> prayers for those affected by the devastation brought on by these storms
- <u>Tornado Victims</u> prayers for those affected by tornadoes in 8 states; Cave City Church of Christ building in Arkansas was completely destroyed
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we might find a suitable and affordable permanent <u>meeting place</u>
- Please pray for <u>those not with us today</u> 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 ~

Prayer



A saying I learned soon after I was baptized goes like this: "Satan trembles when he sees, the weakest saint upon his knees." Why do you suppose that is? Because when a child of God—even a weak one—engages in prayer, he is accessing the power of the Almighty; the God of the universe! (Psalm 28:8; Psalm 46:1; Ephesians 6:10). Scripture assures us that "Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite (Psalm 147:5). When we pray, we plug-in to the power of a God "who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think." (Ephesians 3:20).

Someone has said, "Prayer opens a divine door for God to act on our behalf." When we pray, we are entering the very throne room of God and stand in His presence (Eph 3:12; Rev 8:3). And this is by the gracious invitation of our heavenly Father who says: "Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me" (Psalm 50:15). Nowhere in Scripture is this more evident than in Acts chapter 12 where the Lord miraculously released Peter from prison in response to the prayers of the church (Acts 12:1-18). "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need!" (Hebrews 4:16).

While I do not remember the source, I do remember a definition of prayer offered by an author a number of years ago: "Prayer is communication with God, whereby we express our dependence on Him." While God speaks to us through his "living and powerful word" (Hebrews 4:12), we speak to him through the avenue of prayer. Prayer is where we "pour out our hearts before Him (Psalm 62:8), and "make our requests known unto God" (Philippians 4:6).

When a Christian prays, he is also saying—without having to actually say it, "I am depending and relying on God. I need His help, strength and guidance. I cannot do this alone." And, whenever we humbly seek His assistance, we can trust in God to be there for us. "For I, the LORD your God, will hold your

right hand, saying to you, 'Fear not, I will help you'." (Isaiah 41:13).

May we be a people who consistently depend on God (Proverbs 3:5-6), who continue instant and earnestly in prayer (Romans 12:12; Colossians 4:2), who "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17), and who regularly and faithfully pray for one another (Ephesians 6:19-20; Colossians 4:2-4; James 5:16). — Terry Schmidt \mathbb{Z}

"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



WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS for JULY

Preaching: Terry Schmidt Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Opening Prayer: Jim Miller

Scripture Reading: Jason Kennedy

Lord's Supper:

George Cuvellier (lead) & Mike Doucette

Announcements & Closing Prayer: Wayne Sampson

Alternates: Louis Bureau/ David Larrabee

Lord's Supper Prep: Paula Kennedy



David Larrabee — July 6th Tyler Kennedy — July 9th Roslyn Soper — July 12th Pat Miller — July 16th



Louis & Kelly — July 9th

"Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak"

- Jesus—Matthew 26:41 -

Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 9,684 This Month: 34,633





June 29: Pat July 6: Terry K

Attendance & Contribution

for June 22, 2025

Attendance — 23 Contribution — N/A

Order of Worship

June 29, 2025

"Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; Sing praises to His name, for it is pleasant ."

- Psalm 135:3 -

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song-43

Opening Prayer: Jason Kennedy

Song—27

Scripture Reading: *George Cuvellier* ~ Psalm 102:1-2; 17 ~

Song-48

The Lord's Supper Wayne Sampson (lead) & David Larrabee

Song—23

Sermon: *Terry Schmidt* "Priority in Prayer"

Song—39

Announcements & Closing Prayer Louis Bureau

> Alternates: Jim Miller/ Mike Doucette

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Lord's Supper Prep: Terry Kennedy

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

June 29, 2025

#### 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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