



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Rodelio Baaqin & Family - working with congregations of the Lord's church in the Philippines
- Roy Baaqin - recovering from serious injuries sustained in a recent motorcycle accident
- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Leslie Denbow - left knee replacement surgery on 12/2 was successful, now home recovering; a recent procedure has reduced pain in several discs in her lower back; requests prayers to meet life's challenges and bring glory to God
- Retha Flack (Terry & Betty's Christian friend) - 2 heart blockages; meds are working well
- Hardship - victims of severe storms in Jamaica, Philippines, India & floods in Pacific Northwest
- Raj - Evangelist serving the Lord's church in India is grieving the death of his father
- Terry Schmidt - recent ER/hospital visit revealed a diagnosis of unstable angina caused by a mild blockage yet to be pinpointed; now on medications to help remedy future episodes; seeing cardiac specialist on Monday with more testing & procedures likely; thanks for your prayers ☺
- Escalating politically motivated violence and shootings - across our country
- 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



Give Thanks to God...

*For each new morning with its light,
For rest and shelter of the night,
For health and food, for love and friends,
For everything Thy goodness sends.*

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson ~

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made



In Psalm 139, David enthusiastically exclaims, "I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well" (v. 14). This verse beautifully expresses a profound appreciation for God's creative genius and the intricate design of each individual He has made. The entire Psalm reflects a deep sense of intimacy between our Creator and His creation. The psalmist marvels at the meticulous nature of God's creation, highlighting not just the physical attributes but also the internal workings of the soul and spirit. It speaks of God's divine knowledge, presence and creativity, emphasizing that every human life is crafted with His intention and care.

The term "fearfully" suggests profound reverence and awe. It attests that the creation of human beings is the pinnacle of God's creation. Each life is created with a sense of dignity and majesty. This idea can lead to a greater understanding of our self-worth, embodying the notion that every individual is revered in the eyes of their Creator. This has profound implications for how we view ourselves and others. When we recognize that we are fearfully made, it can inspire a profound respect for our bodies, minds, and spirits. Every characteristic, whether seen as a strength or a flaw, contributes to the unique tapestry of one's whole identity.

The word "wonderfully" refers to that which is distinct and distinguished ... shown to be marvelous. It signifies the extraordinary complexity and beauty inherent in human design. It draws attention to the idea that each person God has created is a marvel to behold. This recognition encourages God's children to explore their unique gifts and talents. Understanding that one is wonderfully made inspires productivity, passion, and purpose. When we accept and embrace our individuality, we can contribute to the world in the ways God has ordained for us. "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God

prepared beforehand that we should walk in them" (Eph 2:10).

The latter part of verse 14 which affirms, "Marvelous are Your works," emphasizes the fact that God's creations are excellent ... and they are extraordinary. Reflecting on this can lead to a heartfelt sense of gratitude for the gift of life. This acknowledgment fosters a spirit of genuine appreciation, not only for ourselves, but for others as well.

Gratefully acknowledging the scriptural fact that we are "fearfully and wonderfully made," allows us to accept ourselves for who we are and embrace our unique qualities—the talents and abilities God has blessed us with for His service (Rom 12:4-8; Eph 4:11-13). This realization instills in us a sense of purpose, dignity, and respect, both for ourselves ... and for others. It motivates us to honor all people and to love the brotherhood (1 Pet 2:17) ... esteeming others better than ourselves (Phil 2:3).

— Terry Schmidt ✍



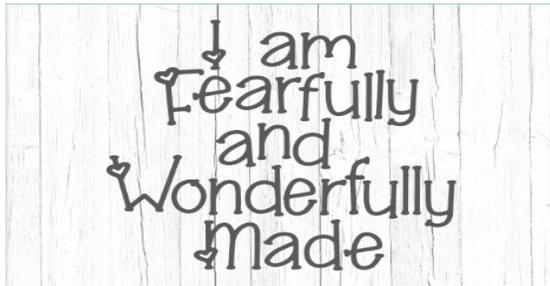
"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

- 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 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. Also, please fill out a visitor's card before you depart. Have a great week! ☺



God's wondrous and awesome works are praised with regularity throughout the Psalms, but Psalm 139 pictures Him as having formed and woven David together in his mother's womb (Psalm 139:13). The womb is also referenced later in the psalm: "My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret and skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth" (Psalm 139:15). In Hebrew imagery, the mother's womb is comparable with the depths of the earth — as though the womb is a hidden fountain springing with the miraculous results of God's fearful and wonderful works. David writes as a familiar voice to the reader, with personalized meditations on the creative power of God. And, not only in creation history, but also in the history of David's Israel, God's wonderful and fearful works are beheld, remembered, and praised. ✍

Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 7,566
This Month: 18,012



SNACKS!

Jan 18: Terry K
Jan 25: Jan

Attendance & Contribution

for January 11, 2026

Attendance — 22
Contribution — \$650

Order of Worship

January 18, 2026

"What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."

📖 - 1 Corinthians 14:15 - 📖

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Song Leader:

Song

Opening Prayer: *Louis Bureau*

Song

Scripture Reading: *David Larrabee*  
~ Psalms 139:14 ~

Song

The Lord's Supper  
*Jason Kennedy (lead) & Jeremy Raymond*

Song

Sermon: *Jim Miller*  
"Fearfully and Wonderfully Made"

Song

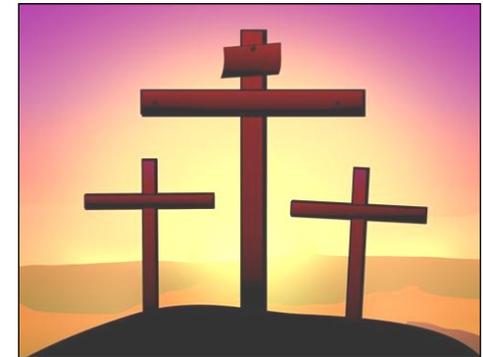
Announcements & Closing Prayer  
*Wayne Sampson*

Alternates: *George Cuvellier;*  
*Mike Doucette; David Larrabee*

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Lord's Supper Prep: *Betty Schmidt*

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

January 18, 2026

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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