



Prayer Requests:

"Pray for one another"

- James 5:16 -

- Rodelio Baaqin & Family - 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
- Leslie Denbow - numerous health concerns
- Retha Flack (Terry & Betty's Christian friend) - 2 heart blockages; meds are working well
- ICE related shooting in Biddeford - please pray for all those involved in and/or affected by the regrettable incident where a 26-year-old Colombian man was shot and killed by ICE agents during an early-morning enforcement operation on Monday, July 13th
- Escalating politically motivated violence and shootings - across our country
- Military Personnel in Harms Way - those who are engaged in Operation Epic Fury & the war with Iran; also pray for their families while these service men & women are deployed
- Philippine Brethren - have experienced recent earthquakes and typhoons with heavy rains and flooding, resulting in extensive damage
- Please pray for our nation (1 Timothy 2:1-3)
- Please pray that we may 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

As you continue to travel down the road of life, please don't neglect your GPS (**G**od's **P**ower **S**ervice) — "on call" 24/7 — offering the best direction and roadside assistance available. Your Creator knows you best. 😊 Call on Him at any time "toll free" — and refer to His operator's manual often! 📖

Jesus Meets Our Spiritual Need



Jesus Christ came into this world with a defined mission and a determined purpose—to meet the deepest needs of humanity. Throughout the Gospel accounts and the epistles, we see that Jesus addresses the spiritual, emotional, relational, and especially the eternal needs of mankind (Jn 10:10; Lk 19:10). His ministry demonstrates that true wholeness comes from a restored relationship with God through our faith in Him and obedience to Him. As the Scripture states: "And you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power" (Col 2:10).

Every person carries the weight of sin and, because of that, is separated from God. "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom 3:23). And "your iniquities have separated you from your God" (Is 59:2). This perpetual predicament cannot be resolved or rectified by human effort (Rom 8:3; Eph 2:8-9). Jesus alone paid the penalty for sin (Rom 5:8), and Jesus alone can offer eternal life (Heb 5:9). Jesus provides the required remedy through His sacrificial death and resurrection (Rom 6:3-6; Titus 3:4-6).

The crucifixion was God's ultimate answer to mankind's sin problem. "Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed" (Rom 6:6). Through His blood shed on the cross, Jesus provides complete pardon and reconciliation with God—the very foundation upon which all other spiritual needs are met. We are now "justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" ... "to demonstrate at the present time [God's] righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus" (Rom 3:24 & 26).

Through His life, crucifixion and resurrection, Jesus demonstrates that He is sufficient to meet every need of mankind. While Jesus's primary mission was spiritual redemption, He did not ignore physical pain and suffering. He healed the sick, gave

sight to the blind, made the lame walk, and raised the dead. These miracles revealed His care and compassion for those who were hurting. Ultimately, Jesus provides identity and purpose to all who will place their trust in Him.

In our unpredictable age and confused culture, Jesus offers His followers a peace that surpasses all understanding (Phil 4:7). He assures those who are distressed and troubled, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (Jn 14:27). Jesus has deep compassion for the downhearted and emotionally wounded. He said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me...to heal the brokenhearted" (Lk 4:18).

Yes, even in the Lord's church, many struggle at times with grief, anxiety, shame, and emotional brokenness. Being a Christian does not guarantee immunity from such feelings. But Jesus directly addresses this very real need. He tenderly offers this gracious invitation, "Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls" (Matthew 11:28-29).

— 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 to have you as our honored guests!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Annie Berry - September 6th
Jason Kennedy - September 11th



WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS for SEPTEMBER

Preaching: Terry Schmidt

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Opening Prayer: Jason Kennedy

Scripture Reading: David Larrabee

Lord's Supper:

Wayne Sampson (lead) & Mike Doucette

Announcements & Closing Prayer:
Louis Bureau

Alternates: George Cuvellier/
Jim Miller/ Jeremy Raymond

Lord's Supper Prep: Pat Miller

Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 10,593

This Month: 48,440



SNACKS!

August 30: Pat

September 6: Jan

Attendance & Contribution

for August 23, 2026

Attendance — 22

Contribution — \$548

Order of Worship

August 30, 2026

*"From the rising of the sun to its
going down, the LORD's name
is to be praised!."*

📖 - Psalm 113:3 - 📖

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—22

Opening Prayer: Wayne Sampson

Song—43

Scripture Reading: David Larrabee
~ Matthew 14:14-21 ~

Song—301

The Lord's Supper

Louis Bureau (lead) Jeremy Raymond

Song—73

Sermon: Terry Schmidt
"The Compassion of Jesus
Meets Real Needs"

Song—199

Announcements & Closing Prayer
Jim Miller

Alternates: George Cuvellier;
Jason Kennedy; Mike Doucette

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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 -*

August 30, 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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