



## Prayer Requests:

*"Pray for one another"*

- James 5:16 -

- Louis Bureau - underwent surgery on 4/9 to repair a damaged tendon on his left shoulder; also requests prayers for his family
- Josiah Carelse & Family - working with the Lord's church in Cape Town, South Africa
- Glenda Castleberry - recently diagnosed with liver cancer; stage & treatment not known
- 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
- Kate Ivory (niece of Robbie Andrews) - Please pray for her spiritual welfare as she studies God's word with our brother Robbie
- Bob Kenneth Family (friend of Terry & Betty) - Bob passed away on June 19th. Please pray for his family as they grieve their loss.
- Richard Miles (Kathleen's nephew) - undergoing chemo & radiation to combat a rare sarcoma
- Alivia Schmidt (Terry & Betty's granddaughter) - suffering with Crohn's Disease at 15 years old
- Brad Shaw - suffered a heart attack on 5/21; had a procedure on 5/24 to remove blockages
- Henry Terrill - undergoing radiation treatments for prostate cancer (localized in the prostate)
- 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



*"I have called upon Thee, for Thou wilt hear me, O God: incline Thine ear unto me and hear my speech."*

(Psalm 17:6)

## Contentment



Most would agree that a tranquil state of inner contentment and emotional well-being eludes most in our hectic modern society. People today are disillusioned, displeased and disgruntled. They can "lose it" at the slightest annoyance and are offended at the smallest perceived impropriety. These touchy malcontents are easily irritated, continually agitated and forever frustrated. Many exhibit an angry, impatient, self-centered, demanding spirit which is seldom (if ever) satisfied. In short, these are not happy people!

Not so the Christian! God's people are to be content with such things as they have (Heb 13:5). "And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content" (1 Tim 6:8). Of course, this inner contentment does not "just happen," nor does it usually come easily to most. The beloved Apostle Paul said that he had to *learn* it. "Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have *learned* in whatever state I am, to be content" (Phil 4:11).

As you might have guessed, this is a faith issue. When we choose to put our faith and trust in God who cares for us and supplies all our needs, when we place our total dependence on Him, we are in Good Hands! (actually, the Best Hands!). Like the Psalmist, we can confidently affirm, "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want" (lack anything). As we learn more and more to trust our capable God to take care of us, we also learn to rest content in His care.

The state of spiritual well-being and inner contentment God provides the believer is not dependent on external stimuli or outside circumstances. Because of our faith, we can be content and at peace even when times are challenging, stressful and difficult. This is "the peace of God which surpasses all understanding" (Phil 4:7). As God's adopted children, we can be content with our lot "in Christ," through whom we can "do all things" (Phil 4:13). Even if our means are scant and meager, we can be content with such things as we have (Heb 13:5), for we know that whatever we have comes from the loving hand of God (1 Cor 4:7; Jas 1:17).

The joy, peace and inner contentment that comes from being right with God (because of Christ's tremendous sacrifice on our behalf) and from living a life in harmony with His will – is priceless! Those of the world would spend hundreds, even thousands of dollars for pharmaceutical drugs for this type of emotional well-being. But it is found only in Christ (Jn 14:6; Acts 4:12). Is it any wonder why Paul would confidently proclaim: "But godliness with contentment is great gain!" (1 Tim 6:6). —**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



## WORSHIP ASSIGNMENTS

for **JULY**

Preaching: Terry Schmidt

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Opening Prayer: Louis Bureau

Scripture Reading: Wayne Sampson

Lord's Supper:

Jim Miller (lead) & Mike Doucette

Announcements & Closing Prayer:

Jason Kennedy

Alternate: George Cuvellier

Lord's Supper Prep: Betty Schmidt

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tyler Kennedy — July 9th  
Roslyn Soper — July 12th  
Pat Miller — July 16th  
Diane Cote — July 24th

## Happy Anniversary!

Louis & Kelly — July 9th



“And hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.”  
(1 John 2:3)

### Visits to Our Web Page

Last Week: 7,322  
This Month: 19,698



## SNACKS!

June 30: Kathleen  
July 7: Terry K

### Attendance & Contribution

for June 23, 2024

Attendance — 26  
Contribution — \$786

## Order of Worship

June 30, 2024

“Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding”

📖 - Psalm 47:6-7 - 📖

Song Leader: Terry Schmidt

Song—477

Opening Prayer: Wayne Sampson

Song—192

Scripture Reading: Jim Miller  
~ Acts 9:1-5 ~

Song—313

The Lord’s Supper  
Jason Kennedy (lead) & Mike Doucette

Song—421

Sermon: Terry Schmidt  
“Driving With the Brakes On”

Song—596

Announcements & Closing Prayer  
George Cuvellier

Alternate: Louis Bureau

Lord’s Supper Prep: Paula Kennedy

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

## June 30, 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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