

Prayer Requests

- ◆ Brad Shaw's brother Steve-health issues.
- ◆ Sonny Witham - Heart problems (hospital)
- ◆ Lindsey Barnes - Back surgery 4/14.
Will be out of work 2-3 months.
- ◆ Linda Barnes - Health (heart & kidney).
- ◆ Marion Goodwin - Health issues.
- ◆ Ana Bouchard - Serious shoulder injury.
- ◆ Terry Schmidt's Father passed away.
- ◆ Brenda Butler - Health Issues and seizures.
- ◆ Victor & Rita Balsamo - Health issues.
- ◆ Chris Stephenson - Depression/Job Search
- ◆ Marescot Family - Fix Our Eyes on Jesus.
- ◆ Glory Parker - Cousin & Friend passed.
Arthur Baraca diabetes, Attendance.

New Prayer Requests

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Order of Worship

Song # 103 He Has Made Me Glad

Announcements - Shepherd

Opening Prayer - Brad Shaw

Song # 122 The Love Of God

**Song # 350 When My Love To Christ
Grows Weak**

**Lord's Supper - Joe Romano, Chris
Stephenson, James Butler**

Song # 396 No Not One

Contribution

Song # 478 Nearer, Still Nearer

Prayer - Matt Sampson

**Song # 538 My Hope Is Built On
Nothing Less**

Scripture Reading - Mark Foley
1 Peter 1:3-5

Lesson- Dennis Godin
Hope and Holiness
Lesson text: 1 Peter 1:13-16

Song # 453 Love Lifted Me

Closing Prayer - Shepherd

Song Leader - Antonio Balsamo

Greeter - Brenda Butler

Communion Prep - Jessica Damuth

Last Week's Numbers

Attendance: 40 Contribution: \$ 980.56

February Financial Reports
Posted and available on back counter

THE BIDDEFORD CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES YOU!

Jesus Christ is...
the brightness of
His glory.

Heb. 1:3



The law
is only a
shadow of
the good
things that
are coming...



...not the realities themselves.

Hebrews 10:1

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Welcome Visitors

We here at the Biddeford Church of Christ pray your visit with us today is enjoyable and uplifting. Please stay around after services so that we can get to know you better. We all strive to put Christ first in our lives and make the Bible our principle guide for living.

This Week's Events

Today 4/02: Life Groups.

Tuesday 4/04: Bible Study 7-8 PM

Saturday 4/08: Congregational Breakfast
Ladies Meeting

Sunday 4/04: Pot Luck after service.

Happy Birthday!

April 10 Stephen Parker

House Warming Party

Brenda & James Butler

April 9 right after worship

During our regular Pot Luck Meal

Barbara Lemay has list of items

Brenda and James need for their new place

Next Week's Service Schedule

Song Leader - Robert Balsamo

Opening Prayer - John Carter

Lord's Supper - John Marescot, Rufilo

Lawrance, Antonio Balsamo

Prayer - Mike Wickwar

Scripture Reading - Lenny Spano

Greeter - Linda Barnes

Communion Prep - Ana Bouchard

Hope and Holiness

Next week begins our journey through the book of Leviticus. Allen Mosely writes, "The book of Leviticus describes *how* the Lord was to be worshiped-through the sacrificial system." Our study material adds to this saying, "The overall theme of the book of Leviticus is *holiness*." Peter would quote from Leviticus 19:2 saying, "Be holy, for I am holy" (1st Peter 1:16). For us, the question we may need to ask in preparation for this study is this, what does it mean to be holy?

Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ...

1st Peter 1:13

The idea of "holiness" (*hagios*) in its very simplest concept means to set apart to God. For the Christian, it carries two fundamental truths: first, what God has done to or for us, through Christ. The word "therefore" should cause us to look at what was previously said. God has "begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (1st Peter 1:3). Instead of *begotten*, another translation uses the words "born anew," while another speaks of "new life." Paul penned it this way, "He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love..." (Colossians 1:13). What God has done, and will do for us through Christ, which includes the inheritance reserved in heaven, is "incorruptible

and undefiled" and "does not fade away" (1st Peter 1:4) and is something we should "rest your hope fully upon."

...but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

1st Peter 1:15-16

Have you ever heard someone say, "Act your age"? It seems that in a sense, that is what God is calling His followers to do; that is, act holy because I who am holy has made you holy. They would "be holy" by "not conforming" (1st Peter 1:14) to the way they acted before coming to Christ. As one person wrote, "God's call has brought them into a new relationship to him (*holiness given*), and this relationship calls for them to refrain from certain things and to do certain things (*being holy*)."

Hope and holiness are intimately woven together, but must never be taken out of order. God's willingness to make us holy, through Christ, provides a hope that can, through God's power, help to guide us in living holy for Him. Thank you God for Your grace!

Dennis

Sermon Notes
